



Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Omicron Alpha Lambda Chapter



Scholarship Application

Dear Scholarship Applicant,

The Omicron Alpha Lambda (OAL) Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. would like to offer financial assistance to deserving high school seniors in celebration of their academic excellence and contributions to their school and community. This assistance is in the form of a one-time scholarship award in the amount up to \$1,000.00. Over the past 25 years, Omicron Alpha Lambda Chapter has awarded over 200 individual scholarships to deserving students.

Attached you will find a scholarship application, including eligibility criteria and detailed instructions for completing the application package. Each Applicant shall select the type of scholarship applying for. Each Applicant can apply for more than one scholarship, which must be a separate application providing all required documentation. Please note that testaments of character, financial need, and participation in extracurricular activities along with the completion of the essay question will all be considered in conjunction with the Applicant's academic performance. The essay question should be 1000 words or less, which is equivalent to 2 pages or less.

Application deadline is **March 27, 2020 by 5:00 p.m.** Late applications will not be accepted. **Incomplete application packets will NOT be reviewed and will therefore, eliminate you from the selection process.** All scholarship applications should be completed online at www.apaoal.com/scholarship . If there are online issues preventing the completion of the scholarship application, please download the application form, complete it, and then email completed application form to oaldiredu@gmail.com.

The scholarship applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee consisting of volunteers from Omicron Alpha Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. Those applicants selected to receive this scholarship will be notified no later than **April 22, 2020**. The scholarships will be awarded in **May 2020**. We look forward to working with you as we invest in our future leaders.

Sincerely,
Elijah J. Brown
Director of Education
Omicron Alpha Lambda Chapter
Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.



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APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

Please read all instructions carefully before completing this application. Provide answers to all requests for information. Do not leave any request blank. If the request does not apply to you, please indicate by filling the space with “N/A.” Failure to complete instructions could result in an unfavorable rating.

I. Eligibility

This scholarship award is open to any **male graduating high school seniors** that:

- A. Lives within the Rappahannock Area (Spotsylvania, Caroline, Stafford, Fredericksburg, King George, Westmoreland Counties)
- B. Possesses a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.5 or better on 4.0 scale
- C. Plans to attend a four-year college or university

❖ Dependents of members of the Omicron Alpha Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha, Fraternity Inc. are not eligible to apply for this scholarship.

II. Official Transcript

Please provide an official transcript from your high school counselor or principal. Make sure it indicates the most current GPA. Your high school counselor or principal must certify documentation in the appropriate space.

III. Recommendation Form

Please provide two recommendations. Give the attached recommendation forms to a Teacher and a School Counselor to complete.

IV. Scholarship Selection

Each must select a scholarship that best match their qualifications. There are five (5) scholarship offerings, and they are:

1. **Walter P Richardson Scholarship:** This scholarship is named in honor of a distinguished Chapter Brother who passed in 2006. It is awarded on the basis of Academic and Leadership performance.
2. **Emory T. Turner Scholarship:** This scholarship is named in honor of a founding charter member of the OAL Chapter. It is awarded on the basis of Academic and Athletic performance.
3. **Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Scholarship:** This scholarship is named in honor of a distinguished Alpha Phi Alpha Brother who was a civil rights activist. It is awarded based on a demonstration of Community Service, good Character, and Critical Thinking.
4. **Dr. Philip Y. Wyatt Scholarship:** This scholarship is named in honor of a local leader in the Rappahannock Area. It is awarded on the basis of Academic Performance and Financial Eligibility.
5. **Historically Black Colleges and Universities Scholarship:** This scholarship is in support of HBCUs. It is awarded on the basis of Academic performance and the Applicant’s acceptance and enrollment to a HBCU.



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V. Essay Topics per Scholarship (2 pages or less/1000 words or less):

1. **Walter P Richardson Scholarship:** Describe how you have demonstrated leadership and overcome obstacles either through your school, social, or family life.
2. **Emory T. Turner Scholarship:** Should college student-athletes be paid, Why or why not?
3. **Martin Luther King Jr Scholarship:** What would Martin Luther King Jr dream and community service look like in 2020.
4. **Philip Y. Wyatt Scholarship:** From a financial standpoint, what impact would this scholarship have on your education?
5. **Historically Black College University Scholarship:** Why do Historically Black Colleges and Universities still matter in today's America?

VI. Additional Data Requirements (if applicable) [Up-loadable]:

- A. If applying for the **Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship** include a list of the community service activities in which you have been involved that was not identified. [Section V]
- B. If applying for the **Emory T. Turner Scholarship**, include a list of athletic honors, and no more than 2 pages of supporting material (e.g., newspaper clippings, copies of certificates, etc.). [Section VII]
- C. If applying for the **Philip Y. Wyatt Scholarship** include any amplifying data (if applicable) to support financial need. [Enclosure IV]

VII. Deadline

All application packets must be submitted online by **Friday, March 27, 2020 by 5:00 p.m.**

VIII. Scholarship Recipients

Those Applicants selected to receive this scholarship will be notified no later than **April 22, 2020**. Each recipient is expected to attend Omicron Alpha Lambda's Annual Black and Gold Ball on, January 16, 2021 in Fredericksburg, VA. Complimentary tickets to this event will be provided for the recipients.

IX. Questions or Concerns

Please address all questions to the Director of Education: Elijah J. Brown at email oadiredu@gmail.com.

Application Packet Checklist

Please take your time and complete all forms necessary. This checklist is to help students and parents organize the forms needed to apply for Omicron Alpha Lambda Chapter Scholarships.

Please submit completed forms below. Check off the following forms when completed.

1. _____ Application. (Be sure it is complete and signed)
2. _____ Transcript [Up-loadable]
3. _____ Expected Family Contribution Information (Philip Y. Wyatt Scholarship only) [Up-loadable]
4. _____ Essay. (1000 words or less, double spaced typed, 12 point font)
5. _____ (1) Teacher and (1) Counselor Recommendation Form
6. _____ Applicant photo (Applicant must be alone in photo; no photo proofs) [Up-loadable]
7. _____ All documents and additional data files required for scholarship review [Up-loadable]



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SECTION I APPLICANT GENERAL INFORMATION

Check one of the following:

- Applying for Walter P. Richardson (WPR) Scholarship
- Applying for Emory T. Turner (ETT) Scholarship
- Applying for Martin Luther King Jr. (MLK) Scholarship
- Applying for Philip Y. Wyatt (PYW) Scholarship
- Applying for Historically Black Colleges (HBC) and Universities Scholarship

(Name)Last, First, MI

Mailing Address

| | | |
|------------|-------|---------------|
| Telephone# | Email | Date of Birth |
|------------|-------|---------------|

| | | |
|-------------|--------|----------------|
| High School | County | Cumulative GPA |
|-------------|--------|----------------|

Graduation Date

Parent/Guardian Information

| | |
|---------------|---------------|
| Father's Name | Mother's Name |
|---------------|---------------|

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|---------------------|---------------------|
| Father's Occupation | Mother's Occupation |
|---------------------|---------------------|

SECTION II FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Please place a check on the line that best indicates your family's gross household income:

- | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| ___ \$0 - \$19,999 | ___ \$20,000 - \$39,999 | ___ \$40,000 - \$59,999 |
| ___ \$60,000 - \$79,999 | ___ \$80,000 - \$99,999 | ___ \$100,000 + |

If applying for Philip Y. Wyatt Scholarship, please see **Enclosure IV-EFC Estimate**. List any additional information that may impact your family's financial situation (For example: medical expenses, single parent, unemployed parent, etc.):



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SECTION III STANDARDIZED TEST INFORMATION

Have you taken the ACT or SAT? _____ Yes _____ No
 If so, what was your score? _____ SAT _____ ACT
 If not, what date do you plan to take either? _____

SECTION IV COLLEGE ADMISSION INFORMATION

List colleges or universities where you have been accepted for admission.

| | |
|--------------------|------------|
| College/University | City State |
| College/University | City State |
| College/University | City State |

SECTION V SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY CLUBS/ORGANIZATIONS/SERVICES

List the student clubs or organizations you have been involved with over the last four years.

| | | |
|---|------------------------|-------------|
| Club or Organization (Include Dates) | Years of Participation | Office Held |
| Club or Organization | Years of Participation | Office Held |
| Club or Organization | Years of Participation | Office Held |

SECTION VI HONORS AND AWARDS

List any honors or awards you have received within the last four years.

| | |
|-------------|---------------|
| Honor/Award | Date Received |
| Honor/Award | Date Received |
| Honor/Award | Date Received |



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SECTION VII

SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY ATHLETICS

List any sports you have participated in within the last four years.

| | | |
|---------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Sports (Include Dates) | Years of Participation | Recognition Received |
| Sports (Include Dates) | Years of Participation | Recognition Received |
| Sports (Include Dates) | Years of Participation | Recognition Received |

SECTION VIII

EMPLOYMENT

List any jobs you have held within the last four years.

| | |
|----------|-----------------|
| Employer | Position & Date |
| Employer | Position & Date |
| Employer | Position & Date |

SECTION IX

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Below please indicate any additional information you would like the selection committee to consider while reviewing your application.

How did you hear about this scholarship?

Counselor/School ___ College Fair ___ Personal Contact ___ Church ___ Social Organization ___ Other ___

If Other is selected, please explain: _____



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SECTION X

CERTIFICATION SIGNATURE

I certify that the information given in this application is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and that I have not attended any educational institutions other than those listed. I understand that I am responsible for forwarding my official transcript from the high school I currently attend. I understand that all materials submitted in my application package will become the property of the Omicron Alpha Lambda Scholarships.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date ____/____/____
(Digital Signature is acceptable)

The Omicron Alpha Lambda Scholarship respects the privacy of all Applicants. The fund does not collect, share, or sell any of the information you provide.



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ENCLOSURE I

TEACHER'S RECOMMENDATION

Student's Name: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

Phone: _____

Please complete the following information about the above named student who is applying for the Walter P. Richardson Scholarship.

| Category | Top 5% | Top 15% | Average | Below Average | No Basis for Judgment |
|----------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Academic Ability | | | | | |
| 2. Initiative | | | | | |
| 3. Ability to work independently | | | | | |
| 4. Ability to work with others | | | | | |
| 5. Self-Confidence | | | | | |
| 6. Originality and Creativity | | | | | |
| 7. Leadership | | | | | |
| 8. Respect of classmates | | | | | |
| 9. Respect of faculty | | | | | |
| 10. Other (Specify) | | | | | |

How long have you known the Applicant? _____

Applicant's greatest strengths/Comments _____

Recommendation:

Strongly Recommend _____ Recommend _____ Not Recommended _____

Recommender's Signature _____ Date _____

School _____

Telephone _____



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ENCLOSURE II

COUNCELOR'S RECOMMENDATION

Student's Name: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

Phone: _____

Please complete the following information about the above named student who is applying for the Walter P. Richardson Scholarship.

| Category | Top 5% | Top 15% | Average | Below Average | No Basis for Judgment |
|----------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Academic Ability | | | | | |
| 2. Initiative | | | | | |
| 3. Ability to work independently | | | | | |
| 4. Ability to work with others | | | | | |
| 5. Self-Confidence | | | | | |
| 6. Originality and Creativity | | | | | |
| 7. Leadership | | | | | |
| 8. Respect of classmates | | | | | |
| 9. Respect of faculty | | | | | |
| 10. Other (Specify) | | | | | |

How long have you known the Applicant? _____

Applicant's greatest strengths/Comments _____

Recommendation:

Strongly Recommend _____ Recommend _____ Not Recommended _____

Recommender's Signature _____ Date _____

School _____

Telephone _____



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ENCLOSURE III

ESSAY

Student's Name: _____

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ENCLOSURE IV EXPECTED FAMILY CONTRIBUTION (EFC) ESTIMATE

Student's Name: _____

Your EFC Estimate

| | |
|------------------------------------|-----|
| Cost of Attendance | \$0 |
| Expected Family Contribution (EFC) | \$0 |
| Estimated Financial Need | \$0 |

Note: Expected Family Contribution (EFC) Worksheets are available online if needed for this estimate. Additional data maybe provided.