



Sisters Providing Opportunities Charitable Alliance, Incorporated  
Long Island, New York

## College Bound Book Award Scholarship Application

The Sigma Psi Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® in partnership with Sisters Providing Opportunities Charitable Alliance, Incorporated invites High School Seniors to apply for a one-time Sigma Psi Omega College Bound Book Award Scholarship. Successful candidates must demonstrate academic achievement, exhibit leadership ability, and participate in community service activities. Selected students will be asked to attend an interview. Awarded recipients may use the academic based scholarship to help offset expenses related to books and/or other materials needed during their first-year attendance at a four-year college or university.

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### Students applying for the Sigma Psi Omega College Bound Book Award Scholarship must meet the following criteria:

- Applicant must be a high school senior residing in Nassau or Suffolk County.
- Applicant must be a member of the African American diaspora.
- Applicant must enroll in a full-time undergraduate program no later than the fall immediately following their graduation from high school.

### Sigma Psi Omega College Bound Selection Process:

- Cumulative Grade Point Average of 85 or better.
- School and community involvement.
- Demonstrates leadership ability.
- Effective oral and written communication skills.

### Notification to Applicants:

Applicants will be notified in May of their status.

Checks will be distributed upon receipt of the student's proof of enrollment at an accredited four-year college or university in Fall 2023.

***Supporting documents must be postmarked on or before February 18, 2023***

Supporting and required documents **MUST** be submitted via US Postal Service, or its equivalent mail delivery service, by the deadline.

**You MUST include an official sealed copy of your most recent High School Transcript and at least one letter of recommendation.**

**Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

### Return Completed Application and Any Additional Documents To:

Sigma Psi Omega Chapter  
Attn: Scholarship Committee  
P.O. BOX 240  
Malverne, NY 11565

Additional information about our sorority can be found at <https://aka1908.com/>



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PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY

<b>Name:</b>
<b>Address:</b>
<b>City, State, Zip Code:</b>
<b>Email Address:</b>
<b>Parent Name/Telephone Number:</b>
<b>Parents Email Address:</b>
<b>Name of High School:</b>
<b>Extracurricular Activities: (Please include Dates of Involvement)</b>
<b>Community Service Involvement: (Please include Dates of Involvement)</b>
<b>Leadership Involvement: (Please include Dates of Involvement)</b>
<b>Please check if you are attending a Historically Black College or University</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
<b>College or University You Plan to Attend:</b>
<b>Intended Major:</b>
<b>Educational and Career Goals:</b>



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**Essay Topic**

Please respond to ONE of the essay topics below in approximately 300 words.

Your response should be typed in Times New Roman with a 12-point font.

Please use additional pages should you require additional space and be sure to include your name.

1. What do you feel is the most pressing societal problem facing youth of the African American diaspora and you?
2. Why is education important to you as a member of the African American community?



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By signing below, you are certifying that to the best of your knowledge the information presented on this application is truthful. You are also acknowledging that the essay is your own work.

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**For Parents/Guardians**

By signing below, you are certifying that you give permission for your child to complete this scholarship application. Should your child be selected, you are giving approval for members of Sigma Psi Omega to contact the applicant regarding matters relating to the Sigma Psi Omega College Bound Book Award Scholarship.

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_