Dear High School Counselors/Scholarship Advisors/Interested Individuals and Organizations:

The Epsilon Eta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. (AKA) is in the process of conducting the annual selection of candidates for our academic scholarships.

As many of you are aware, AKA is a service organization, comprised predominantly of African-American, college-educated women, who are dedicated to promoting higher education among young people within our communities. Each year our local chapter selects high school senior GIRLS, who plan to attend accredited college or university, to receive monetary assistance for their educational pursuits.

For this academic year, scholarships will be awarded to selected senior GIRLS attending Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU). The awards in varying amounts will be presented to the recipients at their schools’ awards assemblies prior to graduation.

In conducting our search for worthy candidates, we are dependent upon all local area high school counselors and academic advisors, as well as interested individuals and organizations, to disseminate the necessary information to prospective scholarship recipients. Feel free to make as many copies as you may need.

All candidates must submit the following information by or before the application deadline:

1. A completed application cover sheet and all requested attachments;
2. The required need statement described in the application cover sheet;
3. The required essay described in the application cover sheet;
4. An official transcript indicating that the applicant's GPA is at least 2.6 on a 4.0 scale;
5. A recent portrait-quality color photo of the applicant alone (no group, athletic, or profile photos, and the applicant should not be wearing hats, caps, or other head gear);
6. Two original dated and signed letters of recommendation submitted by teachers or counselors from the applicant's high school, or from the applicant's current or past employers.

The complete application packet must be mailed, or scanned and e-mailed to:

ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC.
EPSILON ETA OMEGA CHAPTER
Attention: Staci Young
P.O. Box 1783 • Pomona, CA 91769-1783
staci1908@gmail.com

The deadline for submission of all application packets is Friday, April 3, 2015. No application will be considered if it has not been received by that date! Postmarks will not be sufficient. Also, incomplete application packets will be disqualified. A packet will be deemed incomplete if it fails to include any of the items described above, unless the omitted items are eventually received at the above post office box, or scanned and transmitted to the above e-mail address, by or before the deadline date.

Thank you for your valued assistance and cooperation.

Sincerely,

Staci Young
Educational Enrichment Chairperson
AKA- Epsilon Eta Omega Chapter
ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INC.
EPSILON ETA OMEGA CHAPTER
2015 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: ___________________________________________

Home Address: ________________________________________________________________

Home Telephone Number: __________________ Date of Birth: __________ E-mail: ____________

School (Name and address) _______________________________________________________

Name(s) and address(s) of Parents or Guardians: _______________________________________

Your planned college major and occupation: ____________________________________________

Your overall *GPA ______ Your Test Scores for: SAT ______ ACT ______ Other (identify) ________

(*must be 2.6 or higher)

Name of College or University you plan to attend: __________________________________________

▶ PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, IN SEPARATE ATTACHMENTS TO THIS COVER SHEET
(check off each attachment to avoid forgetting any items:

1. ☐ List and describe all honors and awards you have received in the past 4 years.
2. ☐ List all school activities in which you have participated over the past 4 years, including any offices held.
3. ☐ List all community service (e.g., civic or church) activities in which you have participated over the past 4 years.
4. ☐ Write a persuasive paragraph explaining why your needs make you a good candidate to receive this award.
5. ☐ Attach two ORIGINAL, dated and signed, letters of recommendation from teachers/counselors/administrators, from your school, or from current or past employers, who are very familiar with you personally or educationally.
6. ☐ Attach a recent portrait-quality color photo of yourself alone (no group, athletic, profile photos or proofs, and you should not be wearing hats, caps, or other head gear), Photos cannot be returned.
7. ☐ In a fully-developed typed ESSAY - including a descriptive title - describe your most meaningful achievements and how they relate to your anticipated field of study at an HBCU.
8. ☐ *You must instruct your school’s registrar to mail an official copy of your transcript, including your SAT, ACT, or other test scores, to the address listed below. Your overall GPA must be at least 2.6 on a 4.0 scale!

▶ Your complete application packet, INCLUDING ALL OF THE ATTACHMENTS DESCRIBED ABOVE, must be RECEIVED (not merely postmarked) by no later than Friday, April 3, 2015.

▶ A packet will be deemed incomplete, and will be disqualified, without notice to you, if it fails to include any of the items listed above, including your official transcript, unless the omitted items are eventually received by or before the deadline.

▶ APPLICATION PACKETS MUST BE SUBMITTED VIA U.S. MAIL OR E-MAIL, AS FOLLOWS:

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