



**Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Iota Theta Omega Chapter
Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 478
Lancaster, SC 29721**

Dear Student &/or School Counselor,

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. is the oldest African-American service organization for college educated women. The Scholarship Committee of Iota Theta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated is currently accepting applications for the following 2026 Scholarship Awards:

- * Merit Scholars Award
- * HBCU Merit Scholars Award (for students attending a Historically Black College/University)

Scholarships will be awarded to students based on the following:

- *Graduating high school senior from Lancaster County School District
- *Academic achievement
- *Leadership ability
- *Extra-curricular activities
- *Community service
- *Acceptance to accredited college or university

All applications must be accompanied by an official high school transcript, three (3) **TYPED** letters of recommendations, and a **TYPED** letter from the applicant stating future plans and how this scholarship will help him/her reach his/her goals. The application and all supporting documentation must be submitted together, in one (1) envelope, as one (1) complete package. It is the responsibility of the applicant to have all information submitted by the deadline. **Late and /or incomplete applications will NOT be accepted.**

Please send completed application postmarked no later than **May 1, 2026** to the Chapter's e-mail address, Itolancaster@gmail.com, or by U.S. Mail to the following address:

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Your application to the above scholarship is encouraged and appreciated. We look forward to your response.
Sincerely,

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority
Iota Theta Omega Chapter



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Scholarship Guidelines

1. Merit Scholars Award(s) - The recipient is selected solely for his/her exceptional academic achievements, leadership ability and community service.
2. We will be selecting two applicants to be recipients of the HBCU Merit Scholars Award(s) (for students attending a Historically Black College/University)

Guidelines are as follows:

- *Applicants must be a graduating senior from Lancaster County School District
- *Applicants must plan to enroll and be accepted in an accredited college or university or technical school.
- *Scholarship is awarded to persons who have:
 - * Demonstrated exceptional academic achievement (unweighted GPA of 3.0 or better)
 - * Evidence of leadership ability and outstanding community and school service.
 - * Demonstrated high ethical and moral standards.
- *A letter of recommendation from three (3) persons, either a teacher(s), school administrator/school counselor(s), community service supervisor, or minister, all of whom are qualified to evaluate scholarship and character.

Qualifying materials to be submitted by applicant:

- * Official High School Transcript
- * Goal (Narrative not to exceed one page; **MUST BE TYPED**)
- * Other information that you feel might be helpful to the committee

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I am submitting my application for the following scholarship.
Please check the scholarship(s) for which you are applying.

1. Merit Scholarship Award ()
2. HBCU Merit Scholars Award (for Students Attending Historically Black Colleges/Universities ()

Student Information:

Name: _____ Age: _____ Birth date: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Parent/ Guardian Information:

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone Number & Email Address: _____

Applicant's Educational Background

Name of High School

Address

Dates Attended

High School graduating from: _____



References (3 Letters of reference must be **TYPED and enclosed in 3 separate sealed envelopes**)

Name _____ Address _____ Position _____

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Colleges to which you have applied and /or been accepted:

Which of these colleges do you plan to attend? _____

Hobbies: _____

Community/ Extra-curricular Activities, Leadership Positions Held:

Employment/ Hours per Week:
