



THE PEARLS OF EXCELLENCE FOUNDATION, INC.

2023 SCHOLARSHIP ANNOUNCEMENT



The Pearls of Excellence Foundation, a 501©(3) non-profit entity in partnership with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Mu Epsilon Omega Chapter Orange County, California is proud to award (3) three scholarships in the amount of \$3,000.00, \$1,500.00, and \$500.00 respectively to three deserving young women in her senior year of high school.

Scholarship Eligibility:

1. Be a female African American high school senior residing in or attending high school in Orange County.
2. Minimum of **3.0 GPA** on a 4.0 scale
3. Acceptance to an **accredited 4-year college or university** for the fall of 2023
4. **Demonstrated exceptional leadership** through community service and/or involvement in extracurricular activities

Scholarship Application Requirements:

- Completed **on-line application** - <https://akameo.org/scholarship/>
- **Copy of signed transcript** submitted by a high school counselor or with the high school seal
- An **essay of 400 - 600 words with prompt:**
What are the influences that social media or other news sources have on the social justice movement?
- **Two letters of recommendation on official letterhead** (*Relatives and Peers may not submit*) to <https://akameo.org/scholarship/>
 - One letter from a teacher, counselor, employment supervisor, or coach
 - One letter from a person who can attest to your personal character and attributes

The deadline for submitting required scholarship applications and attachments including (2) letters of recommendations is **Monday, April 3, 2023**.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Celeste Day-Drake, Scholarship Chairman, at meo78akascholarship@gmail.com