

FAMILY INFORMATION

Parent/Guardian Name(s)

Mailing Address

Daytime Telephone

Evening Telephone

E-mail Address

WORK/INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

List any jobs, including summer employment you have held during your high school years. Please include dates.

How did you hear about this scholarship?

Guidance Counselor

Teacher

Principal

Family Member/Friend

Member of Theta Epsilon Omega Chapter

Browsing www.akanewhaven.org

Other

Other, please briefly explain

The New Haven Pearls of Excellence Foundation

with

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®
Theta Epsilon Omega Chapter



Scholarship Application 2026

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ATTENTION GRADUATING CLASS OF 2026

THE NEW HAVEN PEARLS OF EXCELLENCE FOUNDATION *with* ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY, INCORPORATED® | THETA EPSILON OMEGA CHAPTER 2026 Scholarship Application

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

High School

City

Guidance Counselor

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name

Mailing Address

Telephone

E-mail Address

Birth Date

Gender

Describe any scholastic distinctions, honors or awards you have received beginning with the ninth grade. Please include dates. You may use a separate sheet, if necessary.

List your extracurricular activities and hobbies, including church, community and volunteer services. Please include dates. You may use a separate sheet, if necessary.

The New Haven Pearls of Excellence Foundation with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®, Theta Epsilon Omega Chapter, is offering a four-year scholarship, at minimum \$6,000.00, to a graduating senior in the top third of their class. The applicant must verify their acceptance to and attendance at an accredited post-secondary school or college. The applicant must reside in New Haven, West Haven, Hamden, East Haven, Bethany, Branford, Cheshire, Guilford, Madison, Meriden, Milford, North Branford, North Haven, Orange, Wallingford, or Woodbridge.

Students applying must e-mail the following by March 20, 2026 to scholarship@akanewhaven.org:

1. Completed application
2. An official signed transcript
3. Two letters of recommendation from:
 - a. Your guidance counselor and a teacher of an academic subject **OR**
 - b. Two teachers of an academic subject
4. Typewritten essay, double-spaced, 500 words and a maximum of two pages. **Essays that are generated with the usage of AI (i.e., ChatGPT and other AI applications) will not be considered.** Choose one of the following essay topics:
 - a. Describe a teacher, mentor, or peer who had the most significant impact on your life. What specific qualities of theirs do you hope to emulate?
 - b. Recount a time that you faced a setback or failure. How did it affect you, and what lessons did you learn that will help you in the future?

The entire application packet should be checked by your guidance counselor or a teacher. All incomplete applications are subject to automatic disqualification.

The selected applicant will be notified by May 8, 2026.

Address all questions to scholarship@akanewhaven.org.

For more information about the scholarship program or to download a fillable application, visit www.akanewhaven.org/scholarship.