

African Health & Education Fund

2016 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PACKAGE

Application must be submitted online by February 15th, 2016, 11:59 PM Pacific Standard Time

AHEF SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Applicants must meet ALL of the following eligibility requirements:

- All full-time graduating high school seniors in good academic standing (minimum unweighted GPA 3.40 on 4-point scale), of any ethnic or cultural background, who plans to attend an accredited college or university (2-year and 4-year).
- **Applicants who are United States citizens or permanent residents of the United States**, are eligible to apply for the \$1000 national scholarship awards.
- Applicants who are in Nigeria, Ghana, Ivory Coast, Benin, are eligible to apply for the \$2000 international scholarship awards.

INSTRUCTIONS

- **Complete the scholarship application.** The application must be saved as a word document using the following file name format *FirstName_LastName_Application*.
- **Obtain one letter of recommendation.** The recommendation letter must be saved in the following file name format *FirstName_LastName_Recommendation* and submitted in Microsoft Word, PDF or JPEG file that is no greater than 1.0MB in size.
- **Obtain high school transcript from school registrar.** The transcript must include the grades from the first completed term/semester of the applicant's senior year. The transcript must be saved in the following file name format *FirstName_LastName_Transcript* and submitted in a PDF or JPEG file that is no greater than 1.0 MB in size.
- **Scan application form to PDF or JPEG format and email along with required documents to info@africanhealth.education**

The completed application including essay, recommendation letter and transcript must be submitted through the online web form in one transaction by **11:59 PM Pacific Standard Time on February 15, 2016**. You will receive an email confirmation upon successful submission. Please retain the email confirmation as proof of your submission. Do not wait until the last day to apply and submit the materials. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

If you have any questions regarding the AHEF scholarship program, please contact us at (415) 323-5601.

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Type your responses in the form below. To check a check box in answering questions below, double click on the check box image and select "Checked". For example: Yes → double click on check box, select "Checked" → Yes.

Applicant Information		
First Name:	Middle:	Last Name:
School Name:		

School Activities <i>Add rows to table below as needed.</i> (Clubs, Band, Orchestra, Choir, School Sports, Student Government, Competitions, etc.)					
Example	International Honor Society	President – Coordinate monthly meetings, lead reading buddy program.	09/2011 to 06/2012	40	John Smith 415-123-4567
Organization / Activity	Position (President, Treasurer, Member, Captain, etc.), Roles, Responsibilities & Significant Accomplishment	From / To (e.g. 08/2011 to Present)	Total Hours	Contact Name & Telephone Number	

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Civic or Community Involvement						<i>Add rows to table below as needed.</i>
Example	Chat 4 Teens Crisis Hotline	To be a counselor to teenagers through online chatting	Peer counselor; help teens in the area by acting as a listening ear online.	09/2013 to Present	50	Bill Smith 866-123-4567 ext. 8977
	Organization	Organization's Mission/Description	Roles, Responsibilities & Significant Accomplishments	From / To <small>(e.g. 08/2011 to Present)</small>	Total Hours	Contact Name & Telephone Number

Work Experience During High School						<i>Add rows to table below as needed.</i>
Example	San Francisco Soccer Club	Soccer Referee	Referee recreational soccer games for children grades 2-8.	09/2011 to 10/2013	105	Teri Smith 706-777-1234
	Company	Job Title	Roles & Responsibilities	From / To <small>(e.g., 08/2011 to Present)</small>	Total Hours	Contact Name & Telephone Number

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Special Skills or Training (Non-school related music, sports, dance, art, etc.)					<i>Add rows to table below as needed.</i>
Example	Soccer	Team-member on recreational soccer team (San Francisco Soccer Club).	09/2011 to Present	500	Mike Smith 506-123-4567
Type of Skills or Training	Roles, Responsibilities & Significant Accomplishment		From / To (e.g. 08/2011 to Present)	Total Hours	Contact Name & Telephone Number

Awards and Special Recognitions (Academic Awards, Sports Awards, Community Service Awards, etc.)			<i>Add rows to table below as needed.</i>
Example	Kennedy Undergraduate Journal of Science	Third Place Winner of International Essay Competition consisting of over 80 entries from 20 different countries.	03/2013
Award/Recognition Name	Please tell us how you got the award along with the award description.		Date Received

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I. SCHOLARSHIP LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

Instructions for Preparer

The recommendation letter must be in Microsoft Word, PDF or JPEG file format that is no greater than 1.0MB in size. The recommendation letter must also be saved in the following file name format *FirstName_LastName_Recommendation*.

Please provide in the body of the recommendation the applicant's name, how you are acquainted with the applicant (cannot be a relative or family member), your position held in the community, your telephone number and email address.

African Health & Education (AHEF) is awarding scholarships to high school seniors. **Please provide careful consideration in writing the recommendation, as what will be submitted may influence the final selection process.** Included in the selection criteria are demonstrated community service and leadership qualities while achieving an above average scholastic performance. Please comment and cite specific examples of such accomplishments, as well as personal strengths in character and conduct that will allow us to better evaluate the applicant and at a minimum address the questions listed below. Please do not limit yourself to only these questions. You can comment in other areas as well.

Please address the following questions in your recommendation letter:

- Under what circumstances did you become acquainted with the applicant?
- Describe evidence of the applicant's leadership qualities, such as his/her service and involvement in the community, school activities or other extra-curricular pursuits, etc.
- Which personal traits of the applicant impress you most? Why? Please add any other comments you want us to know about the applicant.
- What role do you think the applicant's education will play in his/her future contributions to his/her community?

II. HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT

The transcript must include the grades from the first completed term/semester of the applicant's senior year. A copy of the transcript from the school registrar can be submitted in a PDF or JPEG file which is no greater than 1.0 MB in size. The transcript must also be saved in the following file name format *FirstName_LastName_Transcript*. The transcript will be subject to verification with the school registrar.

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III. SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY

Please type your response to the following essay questions on the next page of this scholarship application form in double-spaced, 12 point Arial font. Limit your response to no more than **four** (4) pages. Exceeding the limit will result in deductions from the overall essay score. Please address the subject theme of **“Making a Difference in My Community”** in the essay. Be creative, thoughtful, and well-organized.

At a minimum the essay should address ALL of the following questions:

- What are your long-term personal and education goals?
- How has information about your own culture and other cultures affected your understanding of yourself?
- What key experiences with your own and/or other cultures influenced your goals and your interactions with others? Please provide specific examples.
- How do you plan to use your college education to make a difference in your community?

. APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND INSTRUCTIONS

The scholarship application must be entered and submitted online by 11:59 pm Pacific Standard Time on February 15, 2015. The online application process does not have the ability to save your work to be resubmitted later. We therefore advise each student to have all the necessary information listed below on hand when you are ready to submit your application:

1. Download the 2015 Scholarship Application. [Click here to download file.](#)
2. Complete the application.

The application should be saved as a word document to be attached using the following file name format
FirstName_LastName_Application.

3. Obtain one Letter of Recommendation. The recommendation letter should be saved in the following file name format
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4. Obtain High School Transcript from school registrar.

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5. Have all documents ready to email.

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Making a Difference in My Community

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