



**Tau Theta Omega Chapter  
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated  
Post Office Box 984  
Quincy, Florida 32353**

March 15, 2017

Guidance Counselors  
Gadsden County High Schools  
Quincy, Florida

Dear Guidance Counselor,

Tau Theta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha, Incorporated has served the Gadsden County community for the past 25 years. Each year we are pleased to award deserving students who attend school in Gadsden County scholarships. This year we are excited to announce that we are hosting a Scholarship Brunch to present and award scholarships to students. This program will acknowledge and recognize deserving students in front of an audience of their peers, family and community and business leaders. The program is scheduled for May 6, 2017.

In addition to submitting the scholarship application, we are requesting that students write an essay on "The Biggest Challenge Facing Today's Youth". Each participant will need to prepare and present an oratorical speech for the program scheduled for May 6, 2017.

Please note there is a parent meeting scheduled for April 5<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m., at the Gadsden County Library located at 732 South Pat Thomas Parkway, Quincy, Florida 32351.

We are asking that you make the enclosed application available to your graduating seniors who will attend a community college and/or university. Scholarships amounts are as follows: **First Place, \$1000; Second Place, \$750; Third Place, \$500; and Honorable Mention, \$250.**

All applications must be emailed to [TauThetaOmega@gmail.com](mailto:TauThetaOmega@gmail.com) no later than **April 21, 2017.** Applications should be typed and must be submitted with a high school transcript.

If there are questions, you may contact me at (850) 597-5312 and/or Regina Browning at (850) 509-6290. Please encourage students to submit their applications as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Sherrhonda Faison, Chairperson  
Scholarship Committee

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**2017 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**PERSONAL DATA**

<b>Applicant Name:</b>		<b>Nick Name/Preferred Name:</b>	
<b>School:</b>			
<b>Date of Birth:</b>		<b>Grade:</b>	
<b>Home Mailing Address:</b>			
<b>City:</b>		<b>State:</b>	<b>Zip Code:</b>
<b>Home Phone:</b>		<b>Cell Phone:</b>	
<b>Email Address:</b>			

**PARENTAL INFORMATION**

<b>Father/Guardian Name:</b>			
<b>Father/Guardian Phone Number:</b>		<b>Father/Guardian Email Address:</b>	

<b>Mother/Guardian Name:</b>			
<b>Mother/Guardian Phone Number:</b>		<b>Mother/Guardian Email Address:</b>	

## ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Anticipated Graduation Date:		SAT Score (if applicable):		ACT Score (if applicable):	
Have you been accepted by a College/University:		If yes, where?			
Proposed College Major:					

## COMMUNITY/SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT

Describe any community, civic, religious, political, government, social, athletic, work or other activities that you are involved in.

List any leadership positions held, special honors and awards received.

## REQUIREMENT

### ORATORICAL CONTEST AND ESSAY

Your application must be accompanied by an essay in which you will orate on May 6, 2017 at the First Annual Scholarship Program. Your essay of no more than 500 words should

address the one of the following topics. All essays submitted should be your original work and must be properly cited. Select one topic from the list below.

**TOPIC:**

- What is the Biggest Challenge Facing Today's Youth?

**Please Note:** Scholarships will be awarded based on the oration of the essay presented with the scholarship application. The applications and essays will be judged by a panel of local community leaders.

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*I have read the criteria for the Tau Theta Omega Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated scholarship award. I accept nomination for this scholarship with full knowledge of the selection process and the conditions related to the acceptance of this award.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Application and essays must be submitted on or before the deadline date of **April 21, 2017**. Please submit email complete scholarship packages to [tauthetaomega@gmail.com](mailto:tauthetaomega@gmail.com).

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