Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®
Iota Omega Chapter
P.O. Box 2732
Norfolk, VA 23501
www.norfolkpearls.com

The Iota Omega Chapter began issuing scholarships to the Tidewater community in 1924, coinciding with National Vocational Guidance Week. As the only Tidewater-based graduate chapter of the sorority, high school students in Norfolk, Portsmouth and Newport News, Virginia benefitted from this form of financial support. With the development of other graduate chapters in sister cities, Iota Omega concentrated its efforts within Booker T. Washington High School, the only African American high school in the city until school desegregation. Currently, this scholarship is offered to students from all five public Norfolk high schools.

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Norfolk High School Scholarship Criteria

1. **The applicant must be a female high school student attending a Norfolk public school.**
2. **The applicant must be a resident of Norfolk, Virginia.**
3. **The applicant must have a minimum grade point average of 3.0 and submit an official high school transcript with appropriate endorsements and/or signatures.**
4. **The applicant must have an acceptance letter from the college or university of intent.**
5. **The applicant must submit a completed application with a parent or guardian signature.**
6. **The applicant must complete the essay requirement.**
7. **The applicant must have two letters of recommendation from a teacher, administrator, or community representative (no family members).**
8. **The applicant must enroll as a full-time student at a four-year college or university.**
9. **The applicant must not complete an application for the Vivian Carter Mason Community Scholarship Award.**

Members of Iota Omega Chapter shall recuse themselves from the application process if a relative applies.

The Iota Omega Chapter Norfolk High School Scholarship is underwritten by the Norfolk Pearls Foundation.
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Applicant Information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Date of Birth: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Family Information:

Parent(s)/ Legal Guardian: _____

Number of Siblings: _____

Educational:

High School: _____

Dates of Attendance: _____

Grade Point Average: _____

Class Rank: _____

Number of Students in Graduating Class: _____

Expected Date of Graduation: _____

Academic major/career you plan to pursue:

List any honors and academic awards:

List all scholarships that you have been awarded:

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Extracurricular Activities:

List any extracurricular activities in the past four years:

List your community service, civic, and any other activities:

Essay:

In three hundred words or less, indicate how the Iota Omega Norfolk High School Scholarship will be beneficial to you. Please type your essay on a separate sheet and attach with this completed application form.

Scholarship Checklist:

Email the following documents in one email with your name and the name of the scholarship in the subject line by **Friday, April 3, 2026**, to iotaomegascholarships@gmail.com:

- Copy of your official acceptance letter from the college/university you plan to attend
- Completed application form with applicant and parent/guardian signatures
- Your essay
- Official transcript
- Two letters of recommendation from a teacher, administrator, or community representative.

If you have any questions, please contact Ingrid Wilson at iotaomegascholarships@gmail.com.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____