



TO: High School Seniors

FROM: Petals of Hope Foundation, Incorporated

Petals of Hope Foundation, Inc. with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. (Orlando Chapter) will award seven \$1,200.00 scholarships, at least three scholarship will be awarded to applicants enrolled at an Historically Black College or University (HBCU). These scholarships will be given to deserving young women who will graduate from an Orange County Florida or Osceola County Florida high school this year and will attend an accredited college or university in the Fall. We base the selection of recipients on the following criteria:

Scholarship Requirements:

1. A required cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 **unweighted** **and** a combined **SAT** score of **1100** or above or an **ACT** composite of **22** or above
2. Two references: **One (1) High School Teacher or College Professor** and **One (1) Community Member** (church member, employer, volunteer supervisor, or youth civic leader). Recommenders are required to use the recommendation form.
3. A **well-written formal essay**, **from the applicant**, of 300 words or less, which **clearly and completely** details educational goals.
4. An **official** transcript mailed to Petals of Hope Foundation, Incorporated, Attention: Dr. Veronica Yates-Riley, 4700 Millenia Boulevard, Suite 175, Orlando, FL 32839

The deadline for submitting all information is **Friday, March 6, 2026**. The scholarship application and **all** required information must received by Friday, March 6, 2026. **Information received after March 6, 2026 will disqualify the applicant.**

If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact Dr. Veronica Yates-Riley at vyatesriley@gmail.com.

Application and the letter to the seniors are located on our website: <https://akadoo.clubexpress.com/> under "Scholarship."