

Scholarship Application Instructions

The Leyser C. Holmes Scholarship is \$500. This is a one-year, one-time award to be given to winners as early as September 2021. Please read all instructions carefully. Completed applications will include the cover sheet, a narrative, activities sheets, and a recommendation letter. You must submit **one (1) recommendation letter and one copy of the completed application by Friday, April 16, 2021.**

To be eligible for the scholarship, the applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Be a graduating senior from one of ten designated high schools in the Delta area with plans to attend a two-year or four-year college or university.
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.5 (C+ average). The **school seal** and **counselor's signature** are required.
- Please attach a copy of your most recent ACT scores.
- Submit a narrative as your Personal Goal Statement. This narrative should explain your reasons for applying, your goals and ambitions. The narrative should detail how this scholarship will assist you in meeting these goals. Submit a minimum of two pages, but no more than three pages for this section.
- Submit one (1) additional page that lists community involvement, church involvement, and high school extracurricular activities.
- Submit (1) letter of recommendation from a teacher commenting on your academic ability and prospects to benefit from higher education.
- Submit the attached cover sheet and one (1) glossy, wallet-size photograph with your application.
- Twenty-five students will be selected for scholarships of \$500.00 each. Selections will be made based on how well the narrative is written as well as the clarity of all other information submitted. Winners will be notified at their school's awards day.
- Winners will be asked to submit proof of college enrollment in August/September. Awards will then be made directly to the individual student in October.
- For additional information, contact Mrs. Shamonda Garner at home (870) 538-5752, by cell (870) 538-8343, or a member of Eta Theta Omega Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
- Please save these instructions for future reference.

Return all items by **April 16, 2021** to: **Scholarship Committee**
Mrs. Shamonda Garner
718 South Melton Street
Dermott, AR 71638