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2025

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

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**APPLICATION GUIDELINES**

*The APAHA Board of Directors will determine the number and value of Asian Pacific American Heritage Association (APAHA) scholarships available each year. The minimum scholarship award is $1,000. Scholarships are funded by the proceeds of the prior APAHA gala and generous donors.*

**PURPOSE**: To ensure the education of our youth beyond the high school level and others who are continuing their education dedicated to sharing knowledge about Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders.

**ELIGIBILITY**: Applicants must be a graduating high school seniors, pursuing education beyond the high school level; have primary residence in the greater Houston area; and commit to increasing the knowledge about Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and helping the Asian and Pacific Islander communities.

**SELECTION CRITERIA**: The scholarship committee shall consider the following, including but not limited to:

purpose and use of the scholarship funds, individual scholarship, leadership, civic and community involvement, and how the applicant might benefit from receiving scholarship funds. Indication of financial need may be considered. Completion and submission of required application materials and evidence of acceptance in an institution of higher learning are required.

The scholarship committee shall determine the relative weight given to each criterion. A personal interview may be required.

**SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE**: The APAHA Board of Directors will appoint the scholarship committee annually. These individuals may be chosen from the APAHA board and non-board members.

**APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE**: Applications and criteria will be disseminated to APAHA members and other community organizations during April, or an application may be downloaded from *www.apaha.org.*

**APPLICATION DEADLINE**: The completed application forms and supporting documents must be scanned into one document and emailed to [ed@apaha.org](about:blank) by **Monday, April 7th, 2025.**

For more information, please contact Sofia Sheikh at: ed@apaha.org

**NOTIFICATION OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD**: Recipients will be notified on or before mid-April.

**REPORTING REQUIREMENT**: At the end of the semester the APAHA Scholarship is used, recipients must provide a written report to the APAHA Board of Directors on how funds were used.

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**FORM**

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Organizations you are involved: (Please list the organization, years of service, office held – if applicable)

(If more space is needed, please attach details separately.)

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Volunteer/ Community Events you have participated in and/or organized:

(If more space is needed, please attach details separately.)

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List high schools/districts attended and attendance dates:

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Class rank \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_\_(class size) GPA \_\_\_\_\_ on a \_\_\_ point system

Have you been accepted into a prospective educational program or college?

Yes\_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Pending \_\_\_\_\_

If pending, when will you know?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

***If already accepted, enclose a copy of confirmation of acceptance.***

Have you received a scholarship from other Asian/Pacific American organizations? (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

If yes, which one(s):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

List scholarships and financial aid you have already received:

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If either of your parents or grandparents are members of APAHA, list their name(s):

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Parents occupation: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Family income range: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**ON A SEPARATE PAGE** (limit response to one page, single-spaced for each item):

* List your honors and awards with dates.
* List your civic and community involvement.
* Explain how the scholarship will be used.

**Write a one page essay on: *“How I will contribute to the Asian American and Pacific Islander Community."***

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**CERTIFICATION OF APPLICANT**

***I certify that the information contained in this application is true to the best of my knowledge. If I become a scholarship recipient, I agree to use the funds for the stated purpose and submit a written report to the APAHA Board of Directors after the semester the scholarship is used.***

NAME OF APPLICANT (PRINTED)

APPLICANT SIGNATURE DATE

***Please scan into one document - your application form (and a supplementary page listing honors/awards, civic and community involvement, and how the scholarship will be used) along with an essay and college acceptance letter- and email to*** [***ed@apaha.org***](about:blank)

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**CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

The Scholarship Candidate must disclose to the Asian Pacific American Heritage Association (“APAHA”), in writing, all actual or potential conflicts of interest, including but not limited to those listed below, which may compromise the integrity of the scholarship.

APAHA may, at its discretion, refuse to accept any application, or withdraw a scholarship award, where an actual or perceived conflict of interest exists.

Potential conflicts of interest include, but are not limited to the following:

* The candidate is a close familial relative (spouse, parent, child, sibling, grandparent, grandchild, niece, nephew, or first cousin) of a 2025 APAHA Board Member.
* Candidate solicits or provides any compensation or other consideration in exchange for the scholarship award;
* Candidate engages in any conduct that may reflect negatively upon APAHA.

Please review the list of 2025APAHA Board Members and Advisors on the following page.

Please provide any actual or potential conflicts of interest in the space below. If there are none, please state “No Conflict.”

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