



The Eryn L. Fayson Memorial Scholarship was established to honor the memory of Eryn Leslee Fayson, who in June 2022, tragically passed away from brain cancer. Eryn was just 19 years old.

Eryn joined the Future Iota Leaders (FIL) of Epsilon Tau Chapter of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc. in 2015. As a senior at Booker T. Washington School of Performance and Visual Arts, Eryn was preparing for her college career at Southern Methodist University (SMU). She had a 3.7 GPA and was accepted to SMU in their business program with a concentration in Accounting. She aspired to be a Certified Public Accountant. Eryn submitted her application and won Epsilon Tau's Local Scholarship and the Diego M. Jones Memorial Scholarship in January 2021. She went on to advance to the regional scholarship contest and won the Southwestern Region's Alma I. Mackey Scholarship in March 2021. Eryn had been feeling ill since late January and in early April after many hospital and doctor visits, she was diagnosed with a rare tumor called a High-Grade Glioma. Eryn's first brain surgery was April 9, 2021. She spent her 18th birthday, April 15, in the ICU. The neurosurgeon was able to remove 50% of the tumor. Eryn fought valiantly, although small in stature she powered through rounds of chemotherapy and radiation. She kept the faith and conquered cancer's fear and pain with an undying love for God, her family, and musical artist, J. Cole. Eryn's victory over cancer came before she could claim any of the scholarships she had accumulated to assist in her studies. She leaves a rich legacy of love, intelligence, and sisterhood, that is inspirational to us all.

To honor her memory, Epsilon Tau, and Epsilon Tau Outreach recommend renaming the Epsilon Tau Local Scholarship, the Eryn L. Fayson Memorial Scholarship.

Each year a \$2,000.00 scholarship will be awarded to one female high school student to assist with costs of attending the college of their choice through Epsilon Tau Outreach. To be considered for the Scholarship applicants may be attending any public, private or parochial school within or surrounding Dallas County. Well-rounded high school female seniors who demonstrate a commitment to higher learning, leadership, and a significant commitment to volunteer service in our community are encouraged to apply.

Awarding of the Eryn L. Fayson Memorial Scholarship is contingent on several criteria including acceptance to and enrollment in a four-year college, and a complete application. Scholarship recipients are expected to use their resources wisely and uphold a high standard of conduct.

The Eryn L. Fayson Memorial Scholarship award is an outright grant. Although recipients are under no obligation to make repayment, it is hoped that once graduated and engaged in a productive career they will help honor the memory of Eryn by giving future students similar financial opportunities through Epsilon Tau Outreach.

Recipients of the Eryn L. Fayson Memorial Scholarship award will also be entered as the Epsilon Tau Chapter sponsored applicant into the Alma I. Mackey Southwestern Regional Scholarship (\$3,000, separate application) and the Fredda Witherspoon National Scholarship (\$3,000/8,000) for additional scholarship awards.



IOTA PHI LAMBDA SORORITY, INC.

FREDDA WITHERSPOON NATIONAL SCHOLASTIC SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION SHEET

Iota Phi Lambda Sorority awards scholarships for scholastic achievement to female graduating high school seniors wishing to pursue a college degree in business related fields. The National Scholarship is held annually. Judging criteria will include academic performance/achievement, career aspirations, demonstrated leadership, and financial need. Contestants with the supervision of sponsoring chapters must mail their applications to the President Elect postmarked by January 31.

These scholarships are available through local chapters only. A chapter may submit the name of only one contestant.

1. Each chapter may select one candidate whose first occupational choice is in a business-related field.
2. Each candidate must be a female graduating high school senior.
3. The college selected by the winner must be an accredited institution.
4. **Four** \$3000 regional scholarships and **one** \$8000 national scholarship will be awarded annually. Awards are sent to the selected college or university to be applied to the recipient's tuition.
5. The scholarship recipients will be officially notified in May by the National President Elect.
6. The scholarship recipients must provide proof of enrollment before funds are allocated.
7. A chapter must use Iota's rating sheet in selecting a contestant. Chapters should consider students with excellent scholastic ability as well as those in need of financial assistance.
8. Each chapter must submit the completed **Application Packet** to the National President Elect postmarked by **January 31**.

The Application Packet **must** include the following:

- a. Student Application Form
- b. Student Rating Sheet
- c. Copy of Scholarship Contest Registration Form signed by student. ***Be certain she reads and understands what she is signing.***
- d. A current official/certified academic transcript with SAT or ACT scores
- e. Two letters of recommendations
- f. A 300-500 word autobiographical essay that includes career aspirations, leadership experiences, and significant achievements.
- g. Family income documentation (Copy of the first page of the most recent IRS 1040, please redact SS number)

Revised July 2020

IOTA PHI LAMBDA SORORITY, INC.
FREDDA WITHERSPOON NATIONAL SCHOLASTIC SCHOLARSHIP
REGISTRATION FORM

Name of Contestant _____

Last Name First Name Middle Name

Address of Contestant _____

Street City State Zip Code

High School Attending _____ Location _____

Sponsoring Chapter _____ Region _____

Sponsoring Chapter President _____ Telephone _____

Chapter Scholarship Chairperson _____ Telephone _____

Address of Chairperson _____

Street City State Zip Code

Email Address _____ Telephone _____

PROSPECTIVE SCHOLARSHIP CANDIDATE SHOULD READ AND SIGN THE FOLLOWING:

I understand that:

1. I must attend a college or university and major in a related field of business.
2. If I am a winner, all funds will be sent directly to the school of my choice to assist with my tuition after I have submitted the official document of my enrollment along with a schedule of my classes.
3. The scholarship is a one-time award.
4. Any questions I have regarding the contest may be answered by the Chapter sponsoring me.
5. I have read the above items and understand my rights.

Signature of Contestant

Date

IOTA PHI LAMBDA SORORITY, INC.
FREDDA WITHERSPOON NATIONAL SCHOLASTIC SCHOLARSHIP
STUDENT APPLICATION

Please Print

STUDENT DATA

Name _____ Date of Birth _____
 Last First MI

Current Address _____
 Number Street Apt #

_____ City State Zip Code

_____ Telephone # E-Mail Address

FAMILY PROFILE

_____ Father's Name Address Occupation
 Check box, if deceased

_____ Mother's Name Address Occupation
 Check box, if deceased

_____ Non-Parent/ Guardian's Name Address Occupation
 Check box, if deceased

Number of people in your home (including yourself) _____

Annual Household Income: less than \$10,000 \$10,000-20,000 \$21,000-35,000
 \$36,000-50,000 \$51,000-65,000 more than \$65,000

ACADEMIC PROFILE

High School _____
 Name City State

Cumulative GPA include scale: _____ Class Rank _____ Total Class _____

Dates of High School Attendance: _____ Expected Graduation Date: _____

SAT Total Score: _____ SAT Reading: _____ SAT Math: _____ SAT Writing: _____

Date Taken: _____

ACT Score: _____ Date Taken: _____

Planned College/University: _____

Planned College Major: _____

ACTIVITIES, HONORS, AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

List all extracurricular activities in which you have been involved (church, school, community) within the past four years. Submit documentation (clippings, letters, certificates, etc., for all activities).

List all honors (academic and extracurricular) and other distinctions received and submit documentation (clippings, letters, certificates, etc., for all activities).

List all community service activities in which you have been involved (food pantry, animal shelter, homeless shelter etc.) within the past four years. Submit documentation (clippings, letters, certificates, etc., for all activities).

List your work experience (any jobs you have held) (List job, kind of work, employer, dates of employment, and hours/week).

Who has been most influential in your school life? In what way?

RECOMMENDATIONS

List the name, title, address and telephone number of the **teacher, counselor, or school staff** who will submit a letter of recommendation for you. The letter should be returned to you, in a sealed envelope for inclusion with your application.

Name: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____ Telephone #: _____

List the name, title, address and telephone number of the **personal** reference (clergy, community leader, or employer) who will submit a letter of recommendation for you. The letter should be returned to you in a sealed envelope for inclusion with your application.

Name: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____ Telephone #: _____

ESSAY

Please provide a 300-500 word double-spaced typewritten autobiographical essay. Please include your career aspirations, most significant leadership experiences, and your most significant achievements.

The decisions of the judges are final.

DISCLOSURE

The information provided in this form will be disclosed only to Iota Phi Lambda Sorority as required to determine your eligibility for an award. All information will be properly disposed of according to the Record Retention /Disposition Policy of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority after award of the scholarship has been made.

I hereby certify that the information provided in this application is to the best of my knowledge, true and correct. I have not knowingly withheld any facts or circumstances that could otherwise jeopardize consideration of this application.

SIGNATURE

DATE

PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE

DATE

Revised July 2020

IOTA PHI LAMBDA SORORITY, INC.
Fredda Witherspoon National Scholastic Scholarship
 STUDENT RATING SHEET

Student's Name _____
Last First Middle

Address _____
Street City State Zip Code

Sponsoring Chapter _____ Region _____

Chapter President _____ Telephone _____

Chapter Scholarship Chairperson _____

Address _____
Street City State Zip Code

Email Address _____ Telephone _____

	POSSIBLE POINTS	POINTS
Test Scores	120	_____
Grade Point Average	50	_____
*Honors and Academic Awards	25	_____
*Significant School Activities	25	_____
*Significant Community Activities	20	_____
*Community Volunteer Services	20	_____
Family Income	50	_____
Family Size	35	_____
Complete Packet Presentation.....	25	_____
Autobiographical Essay.....	80	_____
TOTAL MAXIMUM POSSIBLE	450	ACTUAL TOTAL _____

EVALUATOR _____ **DATE** _____

COMMENTS: _____

Packet Presentation score will - (1) include the organized appearance of the packet; (2) inclusion of ALL required items; (3) minimum of 2 recommendation letters from community leaders and school officials (4) current test scores; (5) a 1040 form with redacted social security numbers indicated.

***NOTE** - Include only 4 to 5 documentation sources in each category as evidence to verify all Activities, Honors, Volunteer Services and Awards. Current clippings, support letters and scanned pictures may be used as verification.



IOTA PHI LAMBDA SORORITY, INC.
ALMA I. MACKEY REGIONAL SCHOLASTIC SCHOLARSHIP
INFORMATION SHEET

Iota Phi Lambda Sorority awards scholarships for scholastic achievement to female graduating high school seniors ((2.5 GPA or higher) wishing to pursue a college degree in business related fields. This Regional Scholarship is held annually. Judging criteria will include academic performance/achievement, career aspirations, demonstrated leadership, and financial need. Contestants with the supervision of sponsoring chapters must mail their applications to the Southwest Region's Scholarship Chair postmarked by February 14.

This scholarship is available through local chapters only. A chapter may submit the name of only one contestant.

1. Each chapter may select one candidate whose first occupational choice is in a business-related field.
2. Each candidate must be a female graduating high school senior.
3. The college selected by the winner must be an accredited institution.
4. **One** regional scholarship for \$1500 per semester or a total of \$3000 will be awarded annually. Awards are sent to the selected college or university to be applied to the recipient's tuition.
5. The scholarship recipient will be officially notified in May by the Southwestern Region Scholarship Chair.
6. The scholarship recipient must provide proof of enrollment before funds are allocated.
7. A chapter must use Iota's rating sheet in selecting a contestant. Chapters should consider students with excellent scholastic ability as well as those in need of financial assistance.
8. Each chapter must submit the completed **Application Packet** to the Southwestern Region Scholarship Chair postmarked by **February 14**.

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ALMA I. MACKEY REGIONAL SCHOLASTIC SCHOLARSHIP
REGISTRATION FORM

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Street City State Zip Code

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Sponsoring Chapter _____ Region _____

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Chapter Scholarship Chairperson _____ Telephone _____

Address of Chairperson _____
Street City State Zip Code

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Signature of Contestant

Date

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