Scholarship Information

for the Kate Duncan Smith DAR School Seniors 2022-2023

Included in this packet are the following scholarship applications and information:

- Kate Duncan Smith DAR School Scholarship Application
- Guidelines: Steps to Follow after receiving a KDS DAR School Scholarship
- Alabama Society Daughters of the American Revolution Scholarship Application
- **NSDAR School Committee** Scholarship Application (with Tracy R. Suarez's name at the top): Longman-Harris, Brackney & Cox Otis
- List of scholarships available through the **NSDAR Scholarship Committee** Students meeting the minimum requirements may apply
- Tips for submitting scholarship applications
- Recommendation Letter Request forms

Kate Duncan Smith DAR School Scholarships

Because KDS DAR School Scholarships are awarded based on a point system, it is important that the application be filled out completely. Leaving items blank may result in an applicant receiving less points and, therefore, less scholarship money.

Applications should be typed or hand-written in pen and must be legible.

<u>DO NOT</u> attach recommendation or sponsor letters to this application. They are not required.

Please keep the enclosed sheet, "STEPS TO FOLLOW AFTER RECEIVING A DAR SCHOLARSHIP". You will need this for as long as you have your scholarship.

Applications are due to the **counselor's office by February 1, 2023.**

Alabama Society DAR Scholarship

This scholarship must be used at an Alabama college or under the Common Market Proviso if the chosen course of study is not offered within the State of Alabama. It requires a statement of at least 250 words, original high school transcript*, at least 2 but not to exceed 4 recommendation letters from persons in authority in the high school, a list of extra-curricular activities, proof of United States citizenship (photocopy of birth certificate), and the ASDAR Scholarship Financial Need form.

Applications should be <u>received</u> by **Cathy Freeman**, ASDAR Scholarship Committee Chair, <u>by January 9, 2023</u>.

**High School Counselor Rhonda Gibbs will print transcripts <u>December 15th</u>. To request a transcript be printed, you must email Mrs. Gibbs (<u>gibbs.rhonda@marshallk12.org</u>) by <u>December 14th</u>. Be sure to let her know how many hard copies you need. Because of the short turn-around time, it is recommended that packets be emailed to Cathy Freeman. Hard copies of the packet should be mailed as well.

NSDAR School Committee Scholarships Tracy R. Suarez, National Vice Chair

For the *Longman-Harris*, *Mildred Louise Brackney* and *Idamae Cox Otis* Scholarships: Use a separate application for each scholarship you apply for.

These scholarships may be used at accredited colleges, universities and technical schools in the United States only. Read the details below to determine if you qualify for these scholarships.

Required in these application packages are a ****Sponsoring School Letter**, Scholarship Application, Financial Need Form, a statement of 1,000 words or less stating career objectives, an official high school transcript from the Counselor's office, list of extra-curricular activities, at least 2 but no more than 4 recommendation letters from persons of authority in the high school, and photocopy of birth certificate or naturalization papers. The packet should be stapled in the top, left corner, and should not exceed 15 pages.

**Heather Green, DAR School Executive Director, will do all the Sponsoring School Letters. To request this letter, email Amanda Weeks (aweeks@nehp.net), listing your full name, the names of the scholarships to which you plan to apply (Longman-Harris, Brackney, and/or Otis), and your sex (male or female) by January 9, 2023. Letters will be available to pick up no later than January 16th. You must have a sponsoring school letter for each scholarship application (Longman-Harris, Brackney, and/or Otis).

NSDAR - Longman-Harris Scholarship: Applicant must have an A-B grade point average and **will be attending a 4-year college** in <u>Alabama</u> for all 4 years. Recipient must maintain an A-B average and mail annual transcripts to the current Reporter General's Office to continue receiving disbursements from this scholarship. This is a \$2,000 per year scholarship for up to 4 years if GPA is maintained.

NSDAR - Mildred Louise Brackney Scholarship: Applicant must demonstrate academic excellence and be in financial need. This is a one-time only \$1,000 scholarship for a college or university in the United States.

NSDAR - Idamae Cox Otis Scholarship: Applicant must have maintained a minimum C grade average and mail annual transcripts to the current Reporter General's Office to continue receiving disbursements from this scholarship. This is a \$1,000 per year scholarship for up to 4 consecutive years if GPA is maintained; to be used at a college, university, or technical school in the U.S.

Applications should be <u>received</u> by **Tracy R. Suarez**, National Vice Chair, DAR School Committee, <u>no later than **February 15, 2023**</u>. Students are responsible for mailing these applications.

Additional applications and information available upon request:

- <u>NSDAR Scholarship Committee, Barbara L. Grant, National Chair</u>- Several scholarships available, various requirements.
- <u>Lauren Eddleman Memorial Scholarship</u> Application- Requires a 3.0 GPA, 22 or higher on the ACT, and a 500-word essay
- <u>Greg Fuell Memorial Baseball Scholarship</u> Application- Awarded to a graduating baseball player

NSDAR Scholarship Committee Scholarships Barbara L. Grant, Chairman

NSDAR Scholarship Committee has a number of very specific scholarships. <u>SEE ENCLOSED LIST FOR THOSE SCHOLARSHIPS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE.</u> Students apply for these scholarships using an online portal; required attachments must be scanned and uploaded. Applications may be saved as progress is made and submitted prior to the deadline.

NOTE: Additional scholarships for various major fields of study may be available as you continue your post-secondary studies. Contact the DAR School Administrative Office for current scholarships available and instructions for applying.

Application requirements include a personal statement of 1,000 words or less setting forth your career objectives; a recent copy of your high school transcript and/or college and graduate school transcripts; proof of United States citizenship (photocopy of a birth certificate, naturalization papers, or the information page of your United States Passport);

a ONE-PAGE document or listing of your extra-curricular activities, honors received, and scholastic achievements; and contact information (including email addresses) for at least two people who can serve as references.

Information required by specific scholarships may include financial need information, a letter of acceptance into a special program or a transcript stating you are in a special program like nursing or medicine, proof of tribal membership if an American Indian, or special test scores if in a graduate program (such as MCAT or LSAT).

Application deadline is **January 31, 2023**, for most NSDAR Scholarship Committee scholarships.

Lauren Eddleman Memorial Scholarship

To qualify for this scholarship, you must have a 3.0 grade point average and have scored a 22 or higher on your ACT. This scholarship requires a 500-word essay describing the event that has had the most significant impact on your life.

Applications are due to the counselor's office by February 1, 2023.

Greg Fuell Memorial Baseball Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded to an outstanding member of the Varsity Baseball Team who demonstrates excellent sportsmanship, participates in community service, and has a financial need.

Applications are due to the counselor's office by February 1, 2023.

Tips for Submitting Scholarship Applications

Complete and distribute Recommendation Letter Requests <u>before Christmas break</u> to allow the writer time to complete all the letters requested. *Most applications specify that recommendation letters must be signed and dated.*

Carefully read each application before filling it out, and follow the directions exactly. If the instructions state that attachments should be in a certain order, make sure they are in that order.

Write legibly.

Write your responses in the space provided on the application form. Do not write "see attached" unless the application specifically states that attachments are allowed.

Photos should not be included in any scholarship application packet!

If applications are to be mailed, make sure they are mailed in plenty of time to be received by the Chairperson by the deadline. Students are responsible for mailing application packets.

If applications are to be e-mailed, add a delivery receipt and/or a read receipt.

If you are completing an application by hand in ink, make a copy first so you can have a "scratch copy" and a final "clean copy" to turn in.