



***Athens Housing Authority Pursuit of Excellence Scholarship  
Rules and Regulations***

1. The name of the scholarship shall be the Athens Housing Authority Pursuit of Excellence Scholarship.
2. The amount of the scholarship shall be determined on an annual basis by the AHA Board of Commissioners.
3. Scholarship applications shall be available in mid-January of each year at the front desk of the Athens Housing Authority. Questions may be directed to the Executive Offices at 706-425-5401.
4. The scholarship shall be awarded during the **May AHA Regular Board Meeting**. Notifications will then follow within the next business week.
5. Eligibility
  - a. Applicants must be graduating high school seniors or returning college students who are current residents of the Athens Housing Authority.
  - b. High School Students must have graduated with a 2.5 G.P.A. during the year the scholarship is awarded.
  - c. College level applicants must be students in good standing in a college program.
  - d. All applicants must be full-time students.
6. Requirements of Application
  - a. Submit completed application to the Athens Housing Authority by **April 30, 2021**.
  - b. Include a statement of 100 words or less on how the scholarship will aid the recipient.
  - c. Submit an official transcript of completed high school or college work.
  - d. Submit college acceptance letter, if available when application is submitted.
  - e. Submit two letters of recommendation from community members not related to applicant. One recommendation should be from a school official.
7. Criteria for Selection
  - a. High School Student applicant must show proof of a 2.5 G.P.A. determined by official school transcript.
  - b. College Student applicant must show proof that they are in good standing in a college program determined by official school transcript.
  - c. Demonstrate participation in school/community activities.
8. Awarding of the Scholarship Funds
  - a. The scholarship recipient is required to send proof of enrollment to the Athens Housing Authority, Attn: Carol Kirchman, 300 S. Rocksprings Street, Athens, GA 30606. Proof of enrollment will be the official enrollment form from the college registrar.
  - b. The scholarship will be payable to the college financial aid office in the recipient's name.
  - c. The college will administer the scholarship award, with funds to be used for books, tuition, and other directly related school necessities.
  - d. Scholarship funds may be used for one year or longer. However, failure to continue the required course of study will cause any unused portion of the funds to revert back to the Athens Housing Authority.