

California Alpha Delta Kappa
Eleanor Bendell California State Scholarship Award
Guidelines

I. General Regulations

- a. The award shall be given to a member of California Alpha Delta Kappa who is actively engaged in the field of education and is seeking professional growth. Professional growth is defined as enrollment in an advanced study program or engaged in creating or participating in a project that advances student/educator proficiency. Examples may include enrollment in an academic degree or certificate program in an accredited college or university, or creating curriculum that enriches and enables students to learn and teachers to teach.
- b. The scholarship is open to any Alpha Delta Kappa member who has been in good standing for the previous biennium. She shall remain in good standing for two years after the award is given, or the amount of the award is to be repaid to California Alpha Delta Kappa without interest.
- c. The recipient shall not have received any other Alpha Delta Kappa scholarship or grant, on any level, in the current biennium.
- d. Honorary members are not eligible for this award.
- e. The award may be given biennially at the State Convention.
- f. The award shall be in the amount designated by the California State Executive Board.
- g. The scholarship opportunity will be publicized in the September and/or November newsletters in the odd year of the biennium by the California State President and by the California scholarship chairman.
- h. If there is no qualified applicant in any given biennium, no award shall be given at that time.

II. The Scholarship Committee

- a. The State Scholarship Committee consists of the chairman and a representative from each of the four districts of California Alpha Delta Kappa. The chairman and committee members are appointed by the State President. If a committee member resigns, she may be replaced by the State President.
- b. The committee shall use an established rubric to determine the recipient with emphasis on academic merit.

III. The Application Process

- a. An applicant for the scholarship award must include a signed letter of recommendation from her chapter president.

- b. Applications must be postmarked by March 1st of the even calendar year to the State Scholarship Chairman. Applications not postmarked by the deadline will be disqualified.
- c. All application narratives must be submitted using a word processing program.
- d. Applicants will receive a notice from the state scholarship chairman as to their application status in a timely manner.
- e. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

IV. Obligations of the Recipient

- a. The recipient shall pursue the planned project or study in her submitted application proposal.
- b. The recipient is obligated to report at the State Convention two years after she receives the award.
- c. The recipient should be willing to share her experiences with other Alpha Delta Kappa members.
- d. The recipient agrees not to use the scholarship award project for personal profit other than professional growth on the salary schedule.

V. Notices to Chapters

- a. Information concerning the scholarship award shall be included in the State President's newsletters. It will also be published on the California Alpha Delta Kappa website: www.adkcalif.org.
- b. If there are revisions to these guidelines, each chapter president will be notified in writing.
- c. Applications and guidelines will be available from the state scholarship chairman.

VI. Funding of the State Scholarship Award

- a. Monies for the award will be derived from the State Scholarship Account Fund.
- b. Donations to the State Scholarship fund are encouraged.

