



# African Leadership Group Education Scholarship Fund Program

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The African Leadership Group (ALG) is dedicated to helping youth of the African diaspora to attend to and succeed in the educational arena. The belief that “every child can and will learn with the proper educational resources” is echoed throughout the organization’s work. The African Leadership Group facilitates partnerships with key stakeholders to increase academic achievement of youth in the targeted communities.

The **Mission** of **African Leadership Group** is to help the African diaspora integrate and prosper by connecting cultures, developing strong community leaders, and advocating for economic, social and educational impact.

The **Vision** of **African Leadership Group** is to advocate for the entire African immigrant community across national origin, tribes, and language to ensure continuous improvements to immigrants’ quality of life.

The **Purpose** of the **African Leadership Group Scholarship Fund** is to provide scholarships to deserving high school graduating seniors intending to pursue a course of study at either a vocational, two-year or four-year educational institution.

ALG will consider applications from students preparing to attend an academic institution or a technical training program, as long as successful completion of the program yields a degree or industry recognized workforce credential. The maximum award amount is \$5,000.

### ***Criteria and eligibility (ALG Scholarship Fund applicants)***

1. Applicant’s family must meet financial eligibility requirements. See ALG Financial Eligibility Form.
2. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior in the year of the award.
3. Applicant must have at least a 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.
4. Applicant must demonstrate community involvement, improvement in academics, and desires to attend post-secondary education.
5. Applicants may not be related to any Board of Directors or staff of African Leadership Group.



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## ***General Instructions***

1. DEADLINE for scholarship applications is March 8 at 5:00 PM.
2. Refer to application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e. reference forms, evidence of GPA, etc.) Incomplete applications will not be considered.
3. If any question does not apply to you in this application, please put N/A in the space.
4. Type or print legibly. You may also download a copy of the application online at [www.usalg.org](http://www.usalg.org).
5. Scholarship recipients will be notified **by Friday, April 9** regarding the status of your application.
6. If chosen, you are required to provide payment details for the educational institution.
7. If you have any questions about the application, please call the ALG Office at (303) 862-4062 or email us at [scholarship@usalg.org](mailto:scholarship@usalg.org).

## ***Application Process:***

Applicant must submit the following items:

1. Completed application form (if handwritten, please print legibly)
2. Letter of application addressed to the Scholarship Committee. The letter should contain a brief explanation about yourself and your post-secondary plans (vocational, college/university, intended major/occupation, and anticipated start date) an essay describing one community activity involvement. Letter should not exceed two pages.
3. Two letters of recommendations non-family members who are familiar with your high school experience. These may be teachers, administrators, counselors, employers, or others with significant knowledge of academic performance, school participation, and community involvement.
4. A copy of your current high school transcript with cumulative grade point average.

***Deadline*** for the application is **March 8, 5:00 p.m.** Applications postmarked after this date will not be considered.

Please submit application to:  
African Leadership Group  
ATTN: Scholarship Program  
10700 E. Evans Ave.  
Aurora, CO 80014  
Email: [scholarship@usalg.org](mailto:scholarship@usalg.org)





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13.	What specialty/major do you plan to major in as you continue your education?	
14.	List expenses you expect to incur per semester or quarter: (Approximate figures acceptable)	
	A.	Tuition:                      Amount: \$
	B.	Books:                         Amount: \$
	C.	Room & Board:            Amount: \$
	D.	Other expenses:            Amount: \$ <span style="float: right;">Describe below under comments</span>
Comments:		
15.	List other financial assistance you will receive per semester or quarter: (Other financial assistance will not affect your scholarship eligibility.)	
	A.	Personal:                      Amount: \$
	B.	Other Scholarship(s):                      Amount: \$ <span style="float: right;">List below under comments</span>
	C.	Grants:                         Amount: \$ <span style="float: right;">List below under comments</span>
	C.	Student Loan(s):                      Amount: \$ <span style="float: right;">List below under comments</span>
	D.	Other Financial Resources:                      Amount: \$ <span style="float: right;">List below under comments</span>
Comments:		

**Use an additional sheet if you need more room to list financial information requested in items 13 & 14.**

16.	List your academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school:



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17.	List your community service activities, hobbies, outside interests, and extracurricular activities:
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18.	<p><b>Personal Essay</b> Please answer the following question: <b>What are your educational and professional goals and objectives?</b> This question must be at least 1-2 pages, typed, double-spaced, and 12 pt / Time New Roman font. Please ensure your essay contains no grammatical errors.</p>
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19.	<p>A. The following items must be attached to this application in order for the application to qualify to be reviewed by the scholarship committee. B. Your application will not be considered if these items are not attached to this application. (No exceptions.) C. Circle “YES” or “NO” to be sure you have attached each item as required.</p>		
	YES	NO	<b>Completed application.</b> All questions are answered completely.
	YES	NO	<b>Letter to Scholarship Committee.</b> Not exceeding one (1) page. Must be typed.
	YES	NO	<b>Two (2) Letters of Recommendation.</b>
	YES	NO	<b>Proof of post-secondary education acceptance or current student enrollment.</b> A <u>copy</u> of your acceptance letter is required for receipt of funds.
	YES	NO	<b>Most recent <u>official</u> high school transcripts.</b> Photocopies of your transcript are <u>acceptable</u> , if transcript is signed by a guidance counselor or principal.
	YES	NO	<b>Personal Essay.</b> Must be at least 1-2 pages, typed, double-spaced, and 12 pt / Time New Roman font. Please ensure your essay contains no grammatical errors.



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### STATEMENT OF ACCURACY

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote ALG Education's scholarship program.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship recipient, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at the post-secondary institution of my choice before scholarship funds can be awarded.

Signature of scholarship applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of applicant's guardian/ parent: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



*A coalition of African immigrants building stronger families, schools, and communities in Colorado.*