

# The Kent County, Kalamazoo-Muskegon Black Nurses Association (KMMBNA)

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## **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PROCEDURE / CRITERIA**

**You MUST return a signed copy of this sheet to be considered for the scholarship.**

1. You are required to be accepted and / or currently enrolled in a School of Nursing Program. You are eligible if you are between nursing classes, as long as you are still in the same Nursing Program.
2. **A brief note / letter from one of your Nursing Faculty Professors'** or the Admissions Office with your most recent cumulative grade point average (CGPA) confirming your acceptance / participation in the Nursing Program.
3. **A minimum Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 2.5.**
4. Write an Essay of 100 words or more, on why you chose to pursue a career in Nursing.
5. For repeat applicants, write an essay on your plan to make a significant contribution to the field of Nursing.
6. Type your Essay or print legibly.
7. Submit your packet by the deadline, Friday April 21, 2017. Application must be postmarked by the Post Office (no metered mail) no later than this date to be accepted. **NO email applications!!!!**
8. Applications received without the correct postmark and/or after the deadline, may **NOT** be considered for a Scholarship.
9. The successful Scholarship Recipient(s) must be a generic student nurse (non-licensed RN, LPN/LVN) in order to be awarded a one (1) year courtesy-FREE chapter membership. The courtesy membership is awarded only to a student who is not already a member of a KMMBNA or National Black Nurses Association Chapter (NBNA). In order to receive the scholarship, one **MUST** be a member of a chapter. You are given a free one year membership if you are selected to receive the scholarship award.  
All applicants must complete the attached:  
KMMBNA membership application whether you are a member or not. Do not send money. For current members, the Application will serve as an update of information. **YOUR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED WITHOUT THE KMMBNA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION COMPLETELY FILLED OUT AND ATTACHED.**  
In addition, some courtesy Memberships may be awarded to applicants not selected to receive Scholarships.  
**KMMBNA WILL GIVE YOU A FREE MEMBERSHIP, IF AWARDED A SCHOLARSHIP, PROVIDED YOU ARE A GENERIC NURSING STUDENT (NON-LICENSED)**
10. At least two (2) Scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$1,000 at our **Saturday, May 20, 2017** Scholarship Gala. Your presence is requested so that you may be ceremoniously presented the Scholarship at the Gala, however, attendance is not mandatory.
11. **The Scholarship Award is dispensed to your School of Nursing in two parts.** One half of the Award is forwarded in the Fall and the second half in the Winter of the next year, depending on whether or not you have demonstrated a commitment by participating in Chapter meetings via teleconference, present at meetings and / or other associated activities. **At least two participations in KMMBNA chapter activities / meetings are required.** KMMBNA will mentor as necessary, the students who receive the scholarships. **NOTE: THE SCHOLARSHIP MONEY WILL NOT BE SENT TO YOUR SCHOOL IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND AT LEAST ONE KMMBNA CHAPTER MEETING PER SEMESTER, IN PERSON, OR BY PHONE, AND/OR VOLUNTEER IN AT LEAST ONE FUNCTION, YOU WILL FORFEIT THE SCHOLARSHIP.**
12. Should you leave the Nursing Program, you forfeit receiving any additional scholarship funds.
13. When you apply for the Scholarship, please ensure that you have at **least one full academic year** of Nursing left from August to April... or more. This is necessary as the second half of the scholarship award is dispensed in the winter of the next year. Thus, you must have schooling going forward from January to April ... or more, to use the funds. Signature of agreement: \_\_\_\_\_ /Date \_\_\_\_\_

Submit to:

Shahidah El-Amin, HHP, BS, RN

Scholarship Selection Committee Chairperson

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