KAPPA ALPHA PSI GUIDE RIGHT
DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION OF DAYTONA

2026 Kappa Derby Scholarship Application
(Application must be typed)

Statement of Purpose

Kappa Alpha Psi Guide Right Development Foundation of Daytona, is an organization within the Daytona Beach Alumni Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. This unique organization of college-educated men dedicated to the worthy cause of achievement in all fields of human endeavor. With this purpose in mind, the foundation has sought to identify and fiscally support graduating **male high school seniors** in the Volusia County area.

Please read the application very carefully. The information submitted will not be used for any other purpose. Make sure every question is answered completely. Items which are not applicable should be marked N/A. Please be sure to attach the necessary materials (transcripts), 350 words essay, and 2 letters of recommendations.

Minimum Requirements

- High school candidates must possess at least a **2.8 grade point average on a 4.0 scale**.

Areas to be judged

* Social Awareness
* Financial Need
* Career Preparation
* School/Community Activities

Transcript Request

_____is a candidate for the Kappa Alpha Psi Guide Right Foundation of Daytona 2026 Kappa Derby Scholarship.

A copy of his current academic transcript (sealed) is required for evaluation. Please mail transcript, completed application, and all other required materials to: Kappa Alpha Psi Guide Right Foundation of Daytona Committee, ATTN: Brian Rothwell, P.O. Box 10981, Daytona Beach, FL 32120

(All materials must be postmarked by Friday, April 10th, 2026)

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Parent/Guardian Signature (Required for H.S. applicants) Date

Scholarship Application
Deadline- Post marked April 10th, 2026
Incomplete Applications will not be processed

Personal Information: (Complete Application Below)

Last Name: _____ **First Name**: _____ **Middle Initial:** _____

Date of Birth: _____

Telephone Number: (____)_____ Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

U.S. Citizen: ☐ Yes ☐ No Volusia County Resident: ☐ Yes ☐ No

Are you a high school student? ☐ Yes ☐ No Cumulative GPA: _____

Current School: _____ Expected high school graduation date: _____

Have you applied to a College/University: ☐Yes ☐ No if yes, have you been accepted: ☐Yes No ☐

College/University you wish to attend: _____ Career Goal: _____

Parent(s)/Guardian Name: _____ Telephone Number: (____)_____

Application Agreement

It is understood that false statements on this application shall be sufficient cause for application rejection.

I, _____, certify that all information on this application is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

I, _____, understand that if I am awarded this scholarship I must submit the following information or the scholarship will be forfeited.

Enrollment form from the college or university of my choice.
Present scholarship award letter given to scholarship recipient.
Scholarship recipient's proof of identification. (High school/College id, Florida id etc.)

Please include two letters of recommendation:

1. One letter from a school administrator on official school letterhead focusing on the integrity and character of the applicant.
2. One letter from a high school teacher or instructor focusing on the academic strengths and potential of the applicant.

Student Signature:_____

All information will be kept in the strictest of confidence.

Community Orientation

Please list all community service projects you have directly participated in during the past year.

Name of Project: _____ **Name of Project:** _____

Organization: _____ Organization: _____

Director Name/Phone Number (below) Director Name/Phone Number (below)

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Attach a separate sheet listing other experiences if needed.

Position Statement

Please write a short paragraph about the topic of community service. Be clear in supporting your position and elaborate on what it means to you.

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Hobbies/Interests: _____

School Activities (include offices held): _____

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Honors/Recognitions: _____

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Financial Bearing

Have you completed a Financial Aid Form? Yes _____ No _____

Your estimated financial need is: High _____ Moderate _____ Low _____

Essay Submission

Instructions: Must be typewritten, double spaced, 11-point font. Minimum 350 words. Essay will be evaluated on Content, Composition, and Mechanics.
(Note: Upload your essay as a PDF)

The first paragraph(s) should be a brief (175 words) personal profile paragraph on yourself, including personal information, school activities, community, volunteer services, career choice, and paid work experience.

The second paragraph(s) should be on one of the following topics (175 words):

Describe how your high school experiences have shaped your character, leadership, and academic readiness for college, and explain how higher education will position you to achieve your future goals. Additionally, discuss how you plan to use your educational journey to uplift and positively impact your community, or highlight your most meaningful achievements and how they align with your academic interests, career aspirations, and commitment to service.

Note: All scholarships will be issued to the awardee(s) once a class schedule has been obtained for the upcoming 2026-2027 school term.

Authorization Photo Release Form

As a scholarship recipient the Kappa Derby Committee will be taking photos of students, student activities, etc. The Kappa Derby Committee reserves the right to use these photos for news releases, the website, sponsorships, program-related video and slide presentations, marketing purposes, etc.

The Kappa Derby Committee feels that these are legitimate opportunities for students to be in the "lime light" and also promote the opportunities of scholarships provided within the community.

☐ Yes, I grant permission for the Kappa Derby Committee to use my child's photo for the publications listed above. Picture will have to be emailed to the committee by **April 24, 2026**, if you are awarded the scholarship.

☐ No, Please do not use my child's photo.

Child's Name (print):_____

Parent Signature_____ Date_____

KAPPA DERBY ESSAY SCORING RUBRIC

5 Points

- Shows a thorough understanding of the theme or problem
- Addresses all aspects of the task
- Shows an ability to analyze, evaluate, compare, and/or contrast issues and events
- Richly supports essay with relevant facts, examples, and details
- Is a well-developed essay, consistently demonstrating a logical and clear plan of organization?
- Includes the theme by establishing a framework that is beyond a simple restatement of the task and concludes with a summation of the theme or problem

4 Points

- Shows a good understanding of the theme
- Shows an ability to analyze, evaluate, compare, and/or contrast issues and events
- Includes relevant facts, examples, and details
- Is a well-developed essay, demonstrating a logical and clear plan of organization?
- Includes the theme or problem by establishing a framework that is beyond a simple restatement of the task and concludes with a summation of the theme or problem

3 Points

- Presents a satisfactory understanding of the theme or problem
- Addresses most aspects of the task or addresses all aspects in a limited way
- Shows an ability to analyze or evaluate issues and events, but not in any depth
- Is a satisfactorily developed essay, demonstrating a general plan of organization
- Includes some facts, examples, and details
- Introduces the theme or problem by repeating the task and concludes by repeating the theme or problem

2 Points

- Shows a limited understanding of the theme or problem
- Attempts to address the task
- Develops a faulty analysis or evaluation of issues and events
- Includes few facts, examples, -and details, and may include information that contains inaccuracies
- Is a poorly organized essay, lacking focus
- Fails to introduce or summarize the theme or problem

1 Points

- Shows a very limited understanding of the theme or problem
- Lacks an analysis or evaluation of the issues and events
- Attempts to complete the task, but demonstrates a major weakness in organization
- Introduces little or no accurate or relevant facts, details, or examples
- Fails to introduce or summarize the theme or problem

0 Points

Fails to address the theme