



## Korean Women's Association

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Established in 1972 to provide multi-cultural, multi-lingual social services to Western Washington. Learn more at [kwacares.org](http://kwacares.org).

### Korean Women's Association Scholarship 2023 Application Overview

Korean Women's Association is pleased to announce the opportunity for students to apply for a scholarship to support achievement of their post-secondary educational goals.

For over 50 years, the Korean Women's Association has been at the forefront of creating opportunities for the most vulnerable and has empowered individuals and their communities. We are motivated by a vision that a strong community makes a better Washington. Our hope is that the scholarship program that has been offered for the past 25 years will open many doors of opportunity for our recipients.

#### Who is eligible?

To qualify for a KWA scholarship, you must:

- Be a resident of Washington State as a citizen or a legal permanent resident;
- Be accepted to a college or trade school;
- Meet student status requirements for specific awards:
  - expecting to graduate this year from high school and enroll in a full-time undergraduate degree-granting or trade school program
  - Possess a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5 (on a 4.0 scale).

#### How are awardees selected?

- The Scholarship Program Committee evaluates applicants on their academic history and honors, activities (school and volunteering), essay and financial need. In the case of equivalent academic achievement, students with the greatest financial need are given priority. Financial need is determined by the Student Aid Report (SAR), which is provided 3-6 weeks after filing your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and includes the Expected Family Contribution (EFC) calculation and/or the most recent tax return.
- Scholarships are not renewable and are only applicable to one school year.

## What is the application process?

To be considered for a KWA scholarship award, you must provide the following items:

- ✓ Completed scholarship application
- ✓ One photograph of yourself
- ✓ Short biographical statement
- ✓ Typed essay with an email copy in Word doc. (300 words less)
- ✓ Official sealed transcript of grades (most recent high school transcript)
- ✓ Proof of current enrollment or acceptance in a college/university
- ✓ Student Aid Report (SAR) **OR** Proof of financial status/income (most recent tax returns or documentation of SSI, public aid or unemployment) (OPTIONAL)
- ✓ One reference (OPTIONAL)

## What is the application and selection timeline?

The following are key dates for the Korean Women's Association Scholarship Program:

### **Deadlines / Schedule Scholarship Award**

<b>June 12, 2023, 5 pm</b>	<b><i>Deadline for all application materials to be submitted to KWA (not postmarked)</i></b>
June 13, 2023	<i>Application Review Completed by Scholarship Committee</i>
June 19, 2023	<i>Awards Notifications</i>
June 29, 2023, 5:30 pm	<i>Awards Disbursement and Ceremony</i>

## How will I be notified about whether or not I am selected to receive an award?

All applicants will be notified of their scholarship award decision in an email or a phone call no later than June 19, 2023, followed by a post mail.

If you have any questions, please contact

**KWA LLC Administrative Assistant, Sarah Kim,**

at sarahkim7753@gmail.com

253-330-2288



## 2023 KWA Scholarship Application

Please Type or Print:

### I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ Last 4 of SS# \_\_\_\_\_

Racial/Ethnic Background (for reporting purposes only): \_\_\_\_\_

### II. YOUR EDUCATION

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

High School graduation date: Month/Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you hold a GED certificate? Yes (Month/Year) \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Name the college/university you attend or plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (City/State): \_\_\_\_\_

Course of Study (Major): \_\_\_\_\_

**III. YOUR SCHOOL COURSES, ACTIVITIES, AND EXPERIENCES**

List Advanced Placement (AP), honors courses and internships that are related to your academic or career interest.

Course or Program	Dates Attended	Grade Earned

List school and community activities in which you have participated, such as varsity and club sports, scouting, church groups and student government. Include memberships in Honor Society, Beta Club and volunteer activities.

Activity	Offices Held	Dates of Participation

List jobs you have held in the past three years.

Job or Kind of Work	Employer	Year of School	Date(s) of Employment	Hours Per Week

List any honors, awards and/or special recognition you have received over the past four years.

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**IV. YOUR FAMILY**

Enter complete information about your family. If you do not live with both parents, enter the name of the parent or guardian with whom you live.

	Father/Male Guardian	Mother/Female Guardian
Name		
Occupation/Title		
Employer		

**Number of Siblings:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

Are there aspects of your family life or personal circumstances you would like to share with the Selection Committee?

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**V. ESSAY QUESTIONS (Choose from one below)**

- 1) What role has community service played in your life?
- 2) How have you overcome your personal challenges?
- 3) What are your dreams and your plan to achieve them?

**VI. FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS (Optional)**

Student Aid Report (SAR) OR Proof of financial status/income (most recent tax returns of the parents and the student or Documentation of SSI, public aid or unemployment) must be attached to your application.

**APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE**

Please review your responses and you sign your name below. Your signature will confirm that the information you have provided is accurate and true. If any information you have provided is false, KWA reserves the right to disqualify your application.

**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this completed application form, sealed official transcript, essay question response and other pertinent materials to the address below. **All application materials must be submitted to KWA Headquarters by 5 pm on June 12, 2023.**

**KWA Scholarship Program**  
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