



Korean Women's Association

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Korean Women's Association Scholarship 2025 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 53 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 29 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,
- Graduate this year from high school and plan to enroll in a full-time undergraduate degree-granting 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 1. Academic history and honors, 2. Activities (school and volunteering), 3. Essay, 4. Recommendation letter, and 5. Financial need (optional). In the case of equivalent academic achievement, students with the greatest financial need will be given priority.
- 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 typed essay with an email copy in Word doc. (300 words or less)
- ✓ Official sealed transcript of grades (most recent high school transcript)
- ✓ One letter of recommendation
- ✓ Student Aid Report (SAR) **OR** Proof of financial status/income (most recent tax returns or documentation of SSI, public aid or unemployment) (OPTIONAL)

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

Deadlines / Schedule Scholarship Award

May 2, 2025, 5 pm	<i>Deadline for all application materials to be submitted to KWA (not postmarked)</i>
May 5, 2025	<i>Application Review Completed by Scholarship Committee</i>
May 7, 2025	<i>Awards Notifications</i>
May 13, 2025, 5 pm	<i>Scholarship Awards Ceremony at KWA Headquarters (Winners are required to attend to receive scholarship.)</i>

How will I be notified about whether or not I have been selected to receive an award?

All applicants will be notified of their scholarship award decision in an email no later than May 7, 2025.

If you have any questions, please contact
KWA LLC Administrative Assistant, Sarah Kim,
at sakim@kwacares.org
253-330-2288



Korean Women's Association 2025 Scholarship Application

Please Type or Print:

I. PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: _____

Permanent Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Alternate Phone Number: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Gender: Male _____ Female _____ Date of Birth: _____

U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident: Yes _____ No _____

Racial/Ethnic Background (for reporting purposes only): _____

II. YOUR EDUCATION

High School: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

High School graduation date (Month/Year): _____

Name of the college/university you attend or plan to attend: _____

Address (City/State): _____

Course of Study (Major): _____

Estimated cost of post-secondary education per year: _____

Have you made a decision about your future career interest or occupation? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, specify: _____

III. YOUR SCHOOL COURSES, ACTIVITIES, AND EXPERIENCES

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

Course or Program	Dates Attended/Taken	Grade/Score

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, clubs, etc. and volunteer activities.

Activity	Offices Held	Dates of Participation

List any 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 last 4 years.

IV. YOUR FAMILY

Enter 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?

V. ESSAY QUESTIONS (Answer only ONE question from the following.)

- 1) What role has community service played in your life?
- 2) How have you overcome your personal challenges, if any?
- 3) What is your dream or goal in life?

VI. FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS (Optional)

Student Aid Report (SAR) OR Proof of financial status/income (i.e. most recent tax returns of the parents and the student or documentation of SSI, public aid or unemployment)

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

Review your responses and sign your name below. Your signature will confirm that all information provided is accurate and true. If any information you have provided is false, Korean Women's Association reserves the right to disqualify your application.

Signature

_____ Date _____ / _____ / _____

Send this completed application form, essay, official transcript(s) and recommendation letter to the address below. **All application materials must be turned in to KWA headquarters (address below) by 5 pm on May 2, 2025.**

**KWA Scholarship Program
ATTN: Sarah Kim**

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**For additional information contact Korean Women's Association at
253-330-2288, or by sakim@kwacares.org**