

THE LOUISIANA TO LOS ANGELES ORGANIZING COMMITTEE



LA LA

2025

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

**“Louisiana and Cultural Pride:
What It Means To Me?”**

**DEADLINE: COMPLETED APPLICATION AND SUPPORT
DOCUMENTATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2024**

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PURPOSE OF LA LA

The primary focus of this organization is to raise educational funds for local youth and to preserve the rich Louisiana Mardi Gras culture. Most members are from Louisiana. The 2nd Liners are a part of this organization. The 2nd Line is a traditional Mardi Gras dance performed in Louisiana. The "2nd Liners" perform on TV and a variety of events including the Los Angeles Black Business Expo, Magic Johnson's Summer Midnight Madness Mardi Gras, the John Paul Getty House, funerals, parties, and parades throughout the year to raise funds for youth scholarships.

Website: www.latola.org

Application requirements and scholarship rules are as follows:

- STUDENT MUST BE AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN GRADUATING IN 2025 FROM A HIGH SCHOOL WITHIN A SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SCHOOL DISTRICT OR PRIVATE INSTITUTION.
- STUDENT MUST HAVE MAINTAINED A CUMULATIVE HIGH SCHOOL GRADE POINT AVERAGE OF AT LEAST 2.5.
- STUDENT MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF ENROLLMENT IN A FOUR-YEAR COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION.
- APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE A CERTIFIED COPY OF HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPTS.
- **APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE A TYPED ESSAY OF 250-500 WORDS, WRITTEN BY THE STUDENT, CENTERED ON THE TOPIC: “Louisiana and Cultural Pride: What It Means To Me?”** THE ESSAY SHOULD ALSO DESCRIBE THE STUDENT'S CAREER GOALS AND HOW A COLLEGE DEGREE WOULD BE USED TO ACHIEVE THOSE GOALS.
- STUDENT MUST PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION OF EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, AWARDS, COMMUNITY SERVICE, AND OTHER ACCOMPLISHMENTS.
- APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE A LIST OF COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES TO WHICH THE STUDENT HAS APPLIED OR INTENDS TO APPLY. PROOF OF SUBSEQUENT ENROLLMENT WILL BE REQUIRED PRIOR TO THE AWARD OF A SCHOLARSHIP.
- TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION MUST ACCOMPANY APPLICATION: ONE FROM A TEACHER OR, OTHER SCHOOL PERSONNEL, AND ONE FROM AN ADULT (NON-RELATIVE) NOT AFFILIATED WITH THE APPLICANT'S SCHOOL.
- **FINALISTS MUST BE AVAILABLE FOR A PERSONAL INTERVIEW.** Finalists will be notified of time and location. OR Interview will be held via zoom
- STUDENT IS ASKED TO PROVIDE A RECENT BLACK AND WHITE PHOTOGRAPH (PREFEREABLY), NO LARGER THAN 5 X 7 AND SUITABLE FOR PUBLICITY PURPOSES.

APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, December 20, 2024. Incomplete and/or late applications will not be considered. For additional information, contact *Sean Collins Sr* at (310) 400-2323 or SeanCollinsSrdrum@gmail.com

Enclose all required materials and mail to:

**Louisiana to Los Angeles Organizing Committee, Inc.
9461 La Salle Ave
Los Angeles, CA 90047
Attn: Sean Collins Sr, Youth Scholarship Program Chair**

The Louisiana to Los Angeles Organizing Committee (LA LA) is a 501(c)(4) nonprofit membership organization. Contributions to the LA LA Youth Scholarship Fund are greatly appreciated and may be sent to: Louisiana to Los Angeles Organizing Committee, Inc, P.O. Box 561193, Los Angeles, CA 90056 Attn: Youth Scholarship Program.

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NAME _____

First

Middle

Last

ADDRESS _____

Street

City

State

Zip

HOME TEL (____) _____ CELL TEL (____) _____ AGE _____

PARENT (S) OR GUARDIAN (S) _____

HIGH SCHOOL _____ CUM. GPA _____ GRAD DATE _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____ SOCIAL SECURITY NO. _____

LIST THE 4-YEAR COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES TO WHICH YOU HAVE BEEN ACCEPTED OR TO WHICH YOU HAVE APPLIED OR INTEND TO APPLY.

SUMMARIZE YOUR ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS (AWARDS, HONORS, ETC.). Use a separate sheet of paper if necessary.

LIST EXTRA-CURRICULAR SCHOOL ACTIVITIES IN, WHICH YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED (CLUBS, TEAMS, ETC.).

LIST COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES IN, WHICH YOU HAVE PARTICIPATED (CHURCH, COMMUNITY SERVICE, VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES, ETC.).

LIST HOBBIES AND SPECIAL INTERESTS.

*****USE ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY*****

In addition to the above information, you must provide the following in order for your application to be complete: certified copy of all high school transcripts; two letters of recommendation, one from a teacher or other school personnel and one from an adult (non-relative) not affiliated with school activities; and A TYPED ESSAY OF 250-500 WORDS CENTERED ON THE TOPIC:

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The essay should also describe your career goals, and how a college degree will be used to achieve those goals (use a separate sheet of paper). You must also include a recent black & white (preferred) photograph of yourself no larger than 5 x 7 and suitable for publicity purposes.

MAIL THIS COMPLETED APPLICATION AND REQUIRED ADDITIONAL MATERIALS TO:

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