

# SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



***\*\* Application Deadline: April 12, 2024 \*\****

Dear Applicant:

The Women's Business Alliance (WBA) of Houma is pleased to announce its **Academic Scholarship Program**. Since its founding in 2004, the mission of the Women's Business Alliance has been to improve the quality of life for women by empowering them in their professional endeavors and personal relationships. In doing so, it is the goal of the WBA to enrich its members through networking, education, community involvement, and mentoring future generations. In keeping with the mission, the WBA of Houma will award scholarships of \$1,000.00 each. These scholarships will be awarded with the purpose of assisting our future women business leaders in pursuing their educational goals.

The Scholarship Committee will evaluate the applicants based on the following criteria: academic achievement, community service, a personal statement, and two letters of recommendation.

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

1. Applicant must be a female graduating from high school in Terrebonne or Lafourche Parish.
2. Applicant must be entering a Louisiana college in the year of graduation.
3. Applicant must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0.

### **Documentation Required - The Following Must Be Submitted In One Packet:**

1. Signed Application – **INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**
2. A Personal Statement – 250 to 500 words detailing why the applicant should be this year's scholarship recipient. The statement should include any relevant information, such as, but not limited to, academic achievements, commitment to the community, educational and career goals. Grammar and punctuation will be taken into consideration, so proofreading should be done before submitting the final statement. **PLEASE SUBMIT PERSONAL STATEMENT ALONG WITH APPLICATION PACKET. ANY APPLICATION RECEIVED WITHOUT A PERSONAL STATEMENT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**
3. Two (2) Letters of Recommendation – A scholastic recommendation letter from a staff/faculty member and a community service letter of recommendation from a community service representative or coordinator (both letters must be on official letterhead **and must be typewritten and signed across the seal of the envelope**).
4. An Official High School Transcript.

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*Please forward completed application packet, **postmarked no later than April 12**, to the following address:*

*Women's Business Alliance of Houma*

*6133 LA-311*

*Houma, La 70360*

*Please Note: All materials submitted by applicants become the property of the Women's Business Alliance and will not be returned.*

*For more information, please visit our website at [www.bayouregionwba.org](http://www.bayouregionwba.org). For questions, please email us at [wbahouma@gmail.com](mailto:wbahouma@gmail.com).*

*Sincerely,*

*Katherine Gilbert-Theriot  
Co-Chair, Women's Business Alliance  
985-873-6890*

# Women's Business Alliance of Houma

## Scholarship Application Form

Please type or print clearly.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*First Middle Initial Last*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Number and Street City, State Zip Code*

\_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
*E-Mail Address Phone Number*

Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

ACT Score: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Times ACT Test Taken: \_\_\_\_\_

College Attending in Fall: \_\_\_\_\_

Other Scholarships Received / Anticipated: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_

School Activities (Please provide contact names, phone numbers and/or email address): \_\_\_\_\_

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**Community Service Activities** (Please provide contact names, phone numbers and/or email address): \_\_\_\_\_

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**Honors / Awards Received** (Please provide contact names, phone numbers and/or email address): \_\_\_\_\_

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**Applicant's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent / Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **SCHOLARSHIP PACKET CHECKLIST**

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Please review your application packet to ensure that you have included the following:

1. \_\_\_\_\_ *Signed Application*
  
2. \_\_\_\_\_ *Personal Statement*
  
3. \_\_\_\_\_ *Letter of Recommendation from a community service representative (on official letterhead) returned in a sealed envelope, with signature across the envelope's seal, addressed to WBA*
  
4. \_\_\_\_\_ *Letter of Recommendation from a staff/faculty member (on official letterhead) in a sealed envelope, with signature across the envelope's seal, addressed to WBA*
  
5. \_\_\_\_\_ *Official High School Transcript (Minimum GPA of 3.0)*

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*Award will be presented at the May 16th WBA Luncheon.*

*Honorees and one guest each are invited to attend; lunch will be provided.*