



# *Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated*

## *Kappa Omega Omega Chapter*

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Since 1979, Kappa Omega Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. has sponsored a Graduation Awards Program. This program is a celebration of African-American High School and Eighth Grade graduates in Kern County. High School graduates are presented with book scholarships and Eighth Grade graduates are presented with certificates of recognition.

Kappa Omega Omega Chapter awards book scholarships to high school graduates based on the following criteria:

- ✓ Submission of a complete book scholarship application packet. Packet must include completed application, personal essay, sealed letters (2) of recommendation and an official transcript.
- ✓ Successful review of the application packet for significant achievement in one or more areas including: grade point average, school leadership activities, community service participation and athletic competition. There is also consideration of financial need.
- ✓ Submission of proof of registration in 12 or more college units. Registration must be completed within the first semester after high school graduation.

High school students nominated for a book scholarship must meet all the above criteria. In the event a student fails to meet any of the criteria for the award (e.g. submitting proof of registration in college), the award remains in the scholarship fund and can be awarded the following year.

Eighth grade students are presented a certificate of recognition based upon the recommendation of the principal or counselor of their school.

The Graduation Awards Program is always a momentous affair for graduates and their families. We are making every effort to provide an evening that radiates positive energy. The program will be May 9, 2011, 6PM at the St Peter Restoration Community Christian Ministries, 510 East Brundage Lane. If you would like more information, please email me at [scholarship@aka-koo.org](mailto:scholarship@aka-koo.org). Thank you for all you do to encourage our African-American graduates.

Sincerely,

*Raquell L Jones*

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32<sup>nd</sup> Graduation Awards Program