

**DR. MELVIN D. MATTHEWS, SR., SCHOLARSHIP  
OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY LAMBDA IOTA CHAPTER**

**DR. MELVIN D. MATTHEWS, SR., LAMBDA IOTA SCHOLARSHIP  
LAMBDA IOTA CHAPTER, OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY INC., AWARD  
PROGRAM GUIDELINES**

1. OBJECTIVE: To increase and retain the number of high school students graduating and entering college in order to sustain growth and improvement and make a positive contribution to society.
2. AWARD: Each year, the Lambda Iota Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., anticipates awarding multiple scholarships based on available resources. Scholarship funds may be used for tuition or other educational expenses.
3. ELIGIBILITY: Any qualified student may apply independently for consideration, without the need for a nomination, provided they are a graduating high school senior who plans to enroll in a degree program at a fully accredited institution. Selection will be made by the Dr. Melvin D. Matthews, Sr., Lambda Iota Scholarship Committee based on the selection criteria. Selection will be made without regard to race, color, religion, sex or ethnic origin. It is the intent of the Dr. Melvin D. Matthews, Sr., Lambda Iota Scholarship Award Program to provide equal opportunity and consideration to all qualified individual.
4. NOMINATIONS: Any high school Counselor, Teacher, and any Lambda Iota Chapter member in good standing may nominate candidates for the Scholarship Program. Accompanying each nomination must be a resume for the nominee's interest in attending college; a description of the academic program to be pursued (i.e., an undergraduate program, etc.).
5. SELECTION CRITERIA: Demonstrated interest in attending college; need for financial assistance; demonstrates leadership characteristics; scholastic achievement; good citizenship record; involvement in extracurricular activities; an essay not to exceed 500 words on **“My Road Map to Get Where I Hope to Be Ten Years from Now.”**
6. SELECTION: Using the established selection criteria, the Scholarship Committee will choose both recipients and alternates, who will be considered should any selected recipient fail to enroll in college.
7. TIMETABLE: All nominations must be postmarked by or delivered in person by April 1, 2026 to the **Dr. Melvin D. Matthews, Sr. Scholarship Committee, Lambda Iota Chapter, 9141 Midland Woods Dr., Midland, GA 31820.** Scholarship Awards will be presented to the recipients upon receiving official notice from the Registrar's Office that the recipient is enrolled in that institution.

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\*All application requirements must be completed by the stated deadline. Incomplete or late packets will not be reviewed or considered for the scholarship.

**I. GENERAL INFORMATION**

A. Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

B. Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

C. Address of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

D. Contact Information: Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

E. Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

F. Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

G. Parents Name: \_\_\_\_\_

H. High School Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

I. Recent Photo (Graduation Picture)

**II. ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

A. Name and Address of College Attending:  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

B. Number of Credits Earned: \_\_\_\_\_

C. Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Enclose Official Transcript)

D. Please list the extracurricular activities which you have participated in.  
(Clubs, Student Government, community activities, athletics, school newspaper, band, etc.).

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E. Honors & Awards: Please list any honors or awards received (academic or non-academic).

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F. Other: (Please note any other information concerning your high school experience or civic activities you may want the Scholarship Committee to consider).

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### III. ACADEMIC INFORMATION

A. What are your plans for higher education?

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B. Please state why you are interested in pursuing college.

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C. What career or occupation would you like to enter after graduation?

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### IV. PERSONAL INFORMATION

A. Please describe any events in your life which demonstrates a quality or qualities in you that make you a fitting candidate for this award (perseverance, leadership, self-improvement, willingness to help others, etc.).

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### V. REFERENCES

Please enclose a letter from three people who know you well enough professionally and/or academically to recommend you for this award. The Scholarship Committee would like to have a recommending party describe why he/she thinks you are uniquely qualified for this award. Please make certain the

recommending person's name, address, and telephone number is included in their letter. References must not be solicited from relatives.

## VI. ESSAY

Please write and submit an essay (500 words maximum) on "**My Road Map to Get to Where I Hope to Be Ten Years from Now.**" Please attach Your typed, double-spaced essay to this application.