

# The Cultured Pearl Foundation, Incorporated

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Greetings!

The Cultured Pearl Foundation, Inc. often along with its community partner Omicron Upsilon Omega of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, provides vital local community service.

One aspect of The Cultured Pearl Foundation, Inc.'s community service includes awarding scholarships to deserving high school students in Fairfield County who will be attending college this Fall. Please encourage your eligible high school seniors to take advantage of this opportunity.

The deadline date for submission is May 11 2024. A completed application consists of the following items:

1. Application Form
2. Official School Transcript
3. Two letters of recommendation

The application, transcripts and letters of recommendation may be submitted at: <https://www.theculturedpearlfoundation.org/scholarships>

If there are any questions, please feel free to contact me at the email below.

Sincerely,

LaTeisha Elliot & Christine Howell

Ms. LaTeisha Elliot & Ms. Christine Howell  
Scholarship Committee Chairmen  
[TheCulturedPearlFoundation@gmail.com](mailto:TheCulturedPearlFoundation@gmail.com)

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## ~ ~ ~ JOYCE YERWOOD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ~ ~ ~

### Fact Sheet

#### *General Information*

The Cultured Pearl Foundation, Inc. has established the Joyce Yerwood Memorial Scholarship to honor the first African American female doctor in the State of Connecticut. In 1943, Dr. Joyce Yerwood founded the Stamford Negro Community Center. In 1950, it became the West Main Street Community Center, and in 1975, the name was changed to the Yerwood Center, in recognition of Dr. Yerwood's many years of unwavering support and dedication to the community. This scholarship is intended to honor the unique qualities of Dr. Yerwood: the combination of social commitment and scholarship.

#### *Eligibility*

Applicants should be female high school senior students attending high school in Fairfield County, CT.

#### *Criteria*

Applicants must

- be enrolled full-time as a high school student
- have a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.75 ("B-") or better
- show participation in volunteer, civic and community service activities
- demonstrate academic achievement
- show evidence of good character and significant service to the local community and/or their respective high school

Applicants should identify honors/awards received, complete the Personal Statement section of the application, submit letters of recommendation from a teacher and guidance counselor, and arrange for an official (unopened) transcript with cumulative GPA to be sent directly to the Foundation.

#### *Selection*

Application materials will be reviewed by members of the Foundation's Scholarship Committee. Recommendations by the Scholarship Committee will be subject to final approval by the Foundation's Board of Directors.

#### *Award Information*

Awards will range from \$1,000-\$2,000. This is a one-time award. Legitimate expenditures include tuition, room/board, coursework fees, books and supplies and local transportation.

#### *Application Due Date*

Applications must be electronically submitted via our website or emailed no later than **May 11, 2024**. Applications submitted after this date will not be considered. Walk-in applications will not be accepted.

**Completed applications should be sent either by:**

**Electronic Submission:** <https://www.theculturedpearlfoundation.org/scholarships>

**Email:** TheCulturedPearlFoundation@gmail.com (**attention of the Scholarship Committee**).

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Please read all instructions on the accompanying fact sheet before completing this application. The application and all attachments will become the property of The Cultured Pearl Foundation, Inc. Applicants are responsible for submitting a complete application packet. Only scholarship winners will be notified.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street & Apt. #) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

**Parent(s)/Guardian(s)**  
**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Address:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(if different from applicant)

**High School:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Guidance Counselor:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Cumulative GPA (Weighted):** \_\_\_\_\_ **(Unweighted)** \_\_\_\_\_ **SAT/ACT Score:** \_\_\_\_\_ **out of** \_\_\_\_\_

**Honors/Awards:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**College Acceptances** (list all colleges to which you have been accepted): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Volunteer/Service Activities:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Leadership, Volunteer/Academic Service Activities** (include community service projects at school or in the community; organizations in which you have memberships and/or leadership roles)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Personal References** (include one letter of recommendation from a **teacher** and one letter of recommendation from a **guidance counselor**)

I certify that all information contained herein is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. Submitting false or inaccurate information/claims will result in forfeiture of award.

**Signature of Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*SUBMIT MATERIALS TOGETHER\***

All application materials must be uploaded, scanned and/or emailed by **May 11, 2024**. **Walk-in applications will not be accepted.**

**Submit application materials to:**

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or

Attn: Scholarship Committee

**TheCulturedPearlFoundation@gmail.com**