



## **2026/7: Florence Bamidele Scholarship for Young Women**

### **Introduction**

The Florence Bamidele Makanjuola Scholarship for Women (FBMSYW) is an initiative of the Opeketè Foundation. It was created in memory of its founder, late Mrs Florence Bamidele Makanjuola (FBM) and is available for young women in Secondary and Tertiary institutions intending to or currently enrolled in the fields of Nursing and Teaching [in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)]

### **Educating women, no matter their station in life**

FBMSYW is in keeping with the memory and aspirations of the late FBM, who was passionate about education and economic empowerment of women as she believed this was their only route to productive and independent lives.

We believe girls and women deserve access to the education and opportunities that help build valuable skills and financial independence, no matter their economic status or starting point in life. Thus, the scholarship is targeted at young women in extreme financial hardship, who are unable to pursue their learning without outside help. FBMSYW offers more than a bursary, however. It seeks to support a wholesome education, entrenching the values of discipline, hard-work, service and professional excellence - hallmarks of FBM during her lifetime - through its mentoring, community projects and work placements.

If you (your child/ward) are passionate about pursuing an education in Nursing or Teaching and seeking to build the personal qualities required for success, you are the perfect candidate to apply.

### **Eligibility**

1. **Requirements** -To qualify, prospective beneficiaries must:

- Be female
- Be Nigerian
- Meet the minimum academic qualifications
- Pass an aptitude/behavioral test
- Have gained admission/ or currently enrolled into a public university while applying for this opportunity.

- Applicants must be attending or intending to attend a public or federal government owned Senior Secondary School or University
  - Intending and/or willing to study teaching (STEM) or Nursing in the University
2. **Submit a motivational essay** describing why they should receive the scholarship and highlighting on the extenuating circumstances that make them indigent students (Unable to afford tuition)
3. **Academic Qualifications – Senior Secondary School**
- Minimum of 5 As or Bs in English, Mathematics and any other 3 major subjects in Junior WAEC.
4. **Academic Qualifications - University**
- Eligible to apply for university with a minimum of 5 As or Bs in English, Mathematics and any other 3 major subjects and at in WAEC / NECO viz
    - Ø Nursing: English, Mathematics, Biology, Physics and Chemistry
    - Ø Teaching: English, Mathematics and any 3 other STEM related subjects
  - Meet the required cut-off score in JAMB for the course and school applied to.
  - Minimum GPA of 3.5 for those requesting extenuating funding to complete University
  - O'level result should not be at more than one sitting
5. **Other requirements – Secondary School awardees** must maintain an average of 65% across all subjects whilst University Awardees will be expected to maintain a minimum of 3.5 out of 5 CGPA grade per semester to remain on the program.

## 2025-26 Application Process

1. Visit [www.Opeketefoundation.org](http://www.Opeketefoundation.org) and complete the online application form
2. A 300-word essay describing why you are worthy of receiving the scholarship
3. Upload all supporting documents in PDF:
  - a. O'LEVEL/SSCE Result
  - b. JAMB Result

c. LGA Identification (State of origin)

d. Institution Admission Letter

e. Birth Certificate

f. Transcript for Academic Qualifications

g. National Identity Number(NIN)

h. Copy of Passport Photograph

4. Upon successful screening you will be shortlisted and contacted to take an aptitude test and a virtual Interview.

5. Your aptitude test results, completed application, Interview and funding circumstances will be reviewed by a panel and a decision communicated to you within the relevant timelines.