

WASHINGTON STATE ALPHA DELTA KAPPA SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The WA State Executive Board has voted to present two scholarships of \$2500 each to support AΔK members in their endeavors to pursue life-long learning opportunities. The funds come from the Bea Richardson Beneficial Fund Scholarship and WA State AΔK Grant.. Both will now be linked as the Washington Alpha Delta Kappa Scholarship.

Bless Bea Richardson for having the heart and forethought to set aside funds in her estate for the purpose of funding work on personal or professional growth experiences for her AΔK sisters. Bea was a member of Alpha Lambda chapter of ADK in Lake Washington School District. She felt strongly about education and requested in her will to provide funds for ongoing personal or professional growth for ADK members.

In addition, the Washington State AΔK budget includes funds for additional scholarship opportunities. The scholarship committee will determine which account, Bea Richardson or WA State, will fund each selected applicant. This means there is one application used for two opportunities.

The funds have increased to a significant amount **because there have been years when there were NO applicants.** Don't be shy! Take out those dreams and polish them up and apply!! The scholarships are available to all WA AΔK educators: active and retired.

**Our State Board determined to make available 2 scholarships each worth \$2,500.00
for the 2024-2026 biennium, one from each fund!**

THE WASHINGTON ADK SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE considerations include, but are not limited to:

- Enhancing personal development
- Encouraging participation in life-long learning opportunities
- Assisting the applicant in meeting the financial demands of continued learning

Here is a list of some former requests to spark some ideas within you.

- buy iPads and specialized apps for students with disabilities
- funds to travel to Italy and England to grow creatively through painting and writing classes
- buy a classroom set of Ukuleles to be used with the 4th and 5th graders
- complete a master's program
- take a foreign language class to better serve the community
- bring back materials from an overseas trip for the unit being taught

A copy of the application form and directions are emailed to chapter presidents as well as posted on the WA State ADK website [Washington Alpha Delta Kappa \(google.com\)](http://Washington Alpha Delta Kappa (google.com)) under "membership". Do print copies to pass out to your chapter members when next you meet. One application for two scholarships! This opportunity is open in the second year of the biennium, which means it will be two years before the opportunity is available again. Please do not wait. **A Dream is a Gift Awaiting Its Time to Be Opened!!**

One copy of the application form and supporting documents need to be sent by mail or email to the Scholarship Chairperson (address below) no later than January 31, 2026. An email will be sent when the application is received. The Scholarships will be awarded at the AΔK State Convention in Yakima, April 24-26, 2026. All applicants are encouraged to attend the convention.

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