

ZAWADI AFRICA EDUCATIONAL FUND



IMPORTANT TO NOTE:

- I. Only short listed candidates will be called for an interview a month after the submission of this application.
- II. Please note that submission of application for consideration under the Zawadi Education Fund does NOT guarantee the applicant award of any scholarship or admission to any university. The Admission decision is entirely dependent on the Universities Admission boards.
- III. Zawadi Africa Foundation Fund is not liable for any costs you have incurred while applying for and/or processing this scholarship.
- IV. Applicants are responsible for 100% costs related to application and processing of this scholarship, and no application related cost whatsoever can be transferred or refunded by Zawadi Africa Foundation Fund.
- V. Zawadi Africa DOES NOT charge any fees for this application neither has it contracted any company or agency or individual to undertake the application process on its behalf. The application process for Zawadi Africa Education Fund is handled solely by Zawadi Africa Country office/staff.

Application Deadline:
April 29th, 2016

PART I: APPLICATION CRITERIA AND INSTRUCTIONS:

I. Required Qualifications:

1. A girl who has completed her secondary school examination (i.e. The Kenya Certificate of Secondary Examination (KCSE) within the last two years (2014 and 2015).
2. Has demonstrated academic excellence (A- or A Plain or a B+ under exceptional circumstances i.e. From marginalized areas)
3. Has demonstrated leadership qualities e.g. in school as a prefect, in the community, church, leadership in peer related activities etc.)
4. Has overcome insurmountable odds such as serious financial challenges, oppressive social-cultural practices such as early marriages and Female Genital Mutilation (FGM etc. in order to attain academic excellence.
5. Has demonstrated a clear financial need.

II. Instructions

- 1.If you meet the above criteria, please complete all sections of this application form.
- 2.Attach a **one page autobiography (written by YOU)** and a **passport photo**. The biography, which should be **TYPED**, should highlight your family and educational background, your aspirations, financial status, as well as **ALL** the awards you received and leadership activities you have undertaken while in school and in your community.
- 3.Attach a **TYPED** 500-650 word essay on **ONLY ONE** of five topics listed on page seven.
- 4.Attach a copy of your high school leaving certificate and result slip as well as copies of high school certificates that show your involvement in extracurricular activities and leadership related initiatives.
- 5.Attach a signed **ORIGINAL** recommendation letter from your class teacher or head teacher.
- 6.Attach a copy of your birth certificate and your National Identity Card (if you have one).
- 7.Attach an **ORIGINAL** letter from your local chief confirming of his knowledge of your family and yourself. The letter should preferably be written on a government letter headed document.
- 8.Submit a Hard Copy of the application form by **April 29th, 2016** and supporting documents through either:

Mail:

To the Program Manager,
Zawadi Africa Education Fund
P.O. Box 59949-00200
Nairobi Kenya.

Drop it at the Zawadi Africa Offices located along:

Lenana Road, Kilimani
Cathy Flats, Suite No. 4
(Next to Chinese Embassy)
Nairobi, Kenya

PART II: APPLICANT'S DETAILS

I. Student's Information.

First Name: _____ Middle Name: _____ Surname: _____

Date of Birth:

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Postal Address: P.O. Box _____

Physical Address: _____

Country: _____ County (If applicable): _____ City/Town: _____

Telephone Number:

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Alternative Tel. Number:

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Email Address: _____

Name of High School: _____ Completion date:

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Mean Cumulative grade in High school: _____

Mean grade in O-Levels Final National Examinations, if available: _____

Mean grade in A-Levels Final National Examinations, if available: _____

Desired course of study in College.

1st choice _____

2nd choice _____

Do you have a child? Yes [] No []. If YES, how old is the child? _____

US National exams completed and date of completion/proposed date of completion (If you do not know what this means, please leave blank.)

SAT I _____

SAT II _____

II. Family Background.

Mother

Name: _____ Telephone no. _____

National I.D.

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 (Please attach a copy of this I.D)

Living		Deceased		(If deceased please attach a copy of death/burial certificate)
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Marital Status: _____ Level of education _____

Occupation: _____

Father

Name: _____ Telephone no. _____

National I.D.

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 (Please attach a copy of this I.D)

Living		Deceased		(If deceased please attach a copy of death/burial certificate)
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Marital Status: _____ Level of education _____

Occupation: _____

Guardian (If not living with parents):

Name: _____ Telephone no. _____

National I.D.

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 (Please attach a copy of I.D)

Marital Status: _____ Level of education _____

Occupation: _____

Sibling Information:

List all the applicant's brothers and sisters and provide the details required below:

No.	Full Name of family member	Age	Name of School/college/ employer	Year in school/ college	Tuition And fees	Scholarships And grants	Amount of parents/guardian's contribution
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2.							
3.							
4.							
5.							
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7.							
8.							

III. Family Asset Information

- a) If parents/guardian employed, give details of salary/month (attach pay slip): _____
- b) If parents/guardian own a business, describe and show the average monthly income (attach Bank Statement): _____
- c) Does your family own land? Yes [] No [] If yes, what is it used for? _____
- d) Does your family own a car? Yes [] No []
- e) Has your family been affected by civil conflict or natural disasters such as displacement flooding, drought, fire, or famine? Describe: _____

- f) Describe any other information you would like to provide under this section: _____

IV. Expenses

1. How much does your family spend on the following in a month?

Expense:	Local Currency:
Rent/Mortgage	
Food	
Clothing	
Educational Expenses	
Loan repayment	
Entertainment	
Servant	
Expected Support for educational expenses	

2. In the absence of our program, how would you pay for the following if granted a scholarship by a university of your dream?

Cost:	Estimated Cost	Means of acquiring:
Air ticket (one way)	\$800-1200	
Visa Fee	\$200	
SEVIS Fee	\$160	
Passport	\$50	
Books	\$300	
Pocket money	\$300	
Medical insurance	\$700	

PART V: DECLARATIONS

Applicant's Declaration:

I, _____, declare that the information given above is true to the best of my knowledge and I am aware that giving false representation will mean that my application will not be considered and will lead to automatic disqualification. I authorize Zawadi Africa Education Fund to obtain such additional information concerning my personal, academic and financial records needed to complete this application. I also authorize Zawadi Africa Education Fund to communicate and release information to others who are involved in making decisions relating to my educational plans including and not limited to my previous and future schools, referees named in this form.

I, _____, understand that Zawadi Africa Education Fund reserves the right to take any necessary action it deems fit should any of the information above be found to be incorrect or falsified in any manner.

Signature: _____ **Date:**

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Parent's/Guardian's Declaration:

I confirm that the above information is true to the best of my knowledge and I am aware that giving false representation will mean that the application will lead to automatic disqualification. On behalf of the applicant, I authorize Zawadi Africa Education Fund to obtain additional information concerning this applicant's personal, academic and financial records as needed to complete this application. I also authorize Zawadi Africa Education Fund to communicate and release information to others who are involved in making decisions relating to this applicant's educational plans including and not limited to their previous and future schools, referees named in this form.

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ **Date:**

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Signature: _____

v. References:

1. Head teacher of the last secondary school you last attended

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

For how long has this reference known you, the applicant? _____

Signature and Stamp _____

2. Referee (Religious leader)

Name: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

For how long have you known the applicant? _____

Signature and Stamp _____

3. Referee (A person who knows you well but not a relative):

Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Telephone: _____ For how long have you known the Applicant? _____

Signature _____

PART III. Essay:

The following essay prompts are from the CommonApp 2015-2016 application period, please choose one of the below questions and write between 500-650 words on **ONLY ONE** of the following questions. This is like an English Composition assignment:

1. Some students have a background, identity, interest, or talent that is so meaningful they believe their application would be incomplete without it. If this sounds like you, then please share your story.
2. The lessons we take from failure can be fundamental to later success. Recount an incident or time when you experienced failure. How did it affect you, and what did you learn from the experience?
3. Reflect on a time when you challenged a belief or idea. What prompted you to act? Would you make the same decision again?
4. Describe a problem you've solved or a problem you'd like to solve. It can be an intellectual challenge, a research query, an ethical dilemma—anything that is of personal importance, no matter the scale. Explain its significance to you and what steps you took or could be taken to identify a solution.
5. Discuss an accomplishment or event, formal or informal, that marked your transition from childhood to adulthood within your culture, community, or family.