

ZAWADI AFRICA EDUCATIONAL FUND



IMPORTANT TO NOTE:

- I. Please note that submission of application for consideration under the Zawadi Educational 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.
- II. Applicants are responsible for **100%** of the costs related to this application. Zawadi Africa Educational Fund is not liable for any costs you will incur while applying for this application.
- III. Zawadi Africa **DOES NOT** charge any fees for this application neither has it contracted any company or agency or individual to undertake the application review process on its behalf. The application process for Zawadi Africa Educational Fund is handled solely by Zawadi Africa country office staff.
- IV. **ONLY** short listed candidates will be called for an interview a month after the deadline of this application.

Application Deadline:
March 31ST 2017

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 (2015 and 2016)].
2. Has demonstrated academic excellence (A Plain or A- KCSE scores that will be subject to verification).
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, ensure that you complete every part of this application form. Your application will only be considered if it completely filled.
2. Attach a one page biography and a passport photo. The biography should be **TYPED** and highlight your family and educational background, your aspirations, financial status, as well as hobbies and activities that you have undertaken while in school and in your community.
3. Attach a 500-650 word essay on **ONLY ONE** of three topics listed on page seven.
4. Attach a copy of your high school leaving certificate and K.C.S.E 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 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 a letter from your local chief confirming his knowledge of your family and yourself. The letter should preferably be written on a government letter headed document.
8. Any false statements, omissions or forged documents will lead to automatic disqualification.
9. Submit a Hard Copy of this application form and the required supporting documents **on or before** the deadline (31st March, 2017) through either:

Mail:

To the Program Manager,
Zawadi Africa Educational 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
(Close to the 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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KCSE Index Number:

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KCSE Grade:

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Mock grade in High school: _____

Desired course of study in College:

1st choice _____

2nd choice _____

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

II. Family Background.

Mother

Name: _____ Telephone no. _____

National I.D.

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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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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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Marital Status: _____ Level of education _____

Occupation: _____

Sibling Information:

List all the applicant's brothers and sisters who are still in school and provide the details required below:

No.	Full Name	Age	Name of School/College	Year in school/college	Fees per Year	Scholarships or Bursary per year	Amount of parents/guardian's contribution per year
1.							
2.							
3.							
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III. Family Asset Information

a)

Indicator	Father/Male Guardian	Mother/Female Guardian
Age		
Are your parents/guardians employed? (If employed, give details of job and salary/per month. Attach pay slip).		
If your parents own a business, how much is the average monthly income? (attach bank statement)		

b) Does your family own land? Yes [] No [] If yes, what is it used for? _____

c) Does your family own a car? Yes [] No []

d) Has your family been affected by civil conflict or natural disasters such as displacement flooding, drought, fire, or famine? Describe: _____

e) 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 (KSH)
Rent/Mortgage	
Food	
Clothing	
Educational Expenses	
Loan repayment	
Entertainment	

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

Cost:	Estimated Cost	Means of acquiring:
Air ticket (one way)	\$900-1300	
Visa Fee	\$200	
SEVIS Fee	\$160	
Passport	\$50	
Books	\$300	
Pocket money	\$300	
Medical insurance	\$400	

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 Educational Fund to obtain such additional information concerning my personal, academic and financial records needed to complete this application. I also authorize Zawadi Africa Educational 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, and the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology.

I, _____, understand that Zawadi Africa Educational 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 in this application will lead to automatic disqualification. On behalf of my child, I authorize Zawadi Africa Educational Fund to obtain additional information concerning the applicant's personal and academic records, as well as the family's financial records as needed to complete this application. I also authorize Zawadi Africa Educational Fund to communicate and release information to others who are involved in making decisions relating to the applicant's personal and educational plans including and not limited to their previous and future schools, the family's financial background, as well as 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? _____

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? _____

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:

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. Reflect on a time when you challenged a belief or idea. What prompted you to act? Would you make the same decision again?
3. 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.