



**THE NATIONAL HOOK-UP OF BLACK WOMEN, INC.**  
**TALLAHASSEE CHAPTER**  
Rev. Dr. Renita Allen-Dixon, President

**THE GWEN CHERRY SCHOLARSHIP**

**ACADEMIC YEAR**

**2025**

**INSTRUCTIONS AND APPLICATION**

# THE NATIONAL HOOK-UP OF BLACK WOMEN, INC.

## THE GWEN CHERRY SCHOLARSHIP

### PURPOSE

The Gwen Cherry Scholarship was created to enable Black female students who have demonstrated exemplary academic achievement, extracurricular involvement, a commitment to volunteerism in the pursuit of higher education, and a passion for making the world a better place. Two scholarships of one thousand dollars each are available for students meeting the prescribed criteria. The scholarship is open to students admitted to **Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University, Florida State University, or Tallahassee Community College.**

### METHOD OF SELECTION

Recipients will be selected based on the following eligibility requirements.

### ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- ❖ Must be a graduate of a Leon or Wakulla County high school and will attend one of the institutions listed above.
- ❖ Must be a female of African descent.
- ❖ Must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher.
- ❖ Must provide proof of involvement in school and community service activities.
- ❖ Must write a 450 to 500-word, typed and double-spaced essay.

## APPLICATION PROCESS AND MATERIAL

Each application must include the following:

- ❖ A complete application form (See page four of this packet).
- ❖ Two current letters of recommendation, including one from a school representative (i.e., principal, assistant principal, guidance counselor, or teacher) and one from a community representative (i.e., minister, youth leader, scout leader, coach, club advisor, or mentor).
- ❖ An official copy of your most recent transcript (unopened).
- ❖ A 450 to 500-word essay on the provided topic:
  - How can active participation in community initiatives during high school contribute to personal growth, develop valuable life skills, and foster a sense of civic responsibility within a student?

Mail completed applications to:

National Hook-Up of Black Women, Inc.  
 Scholarship Committee  
 P.O. Box 6647  
 Tallahassee, Florida 32314

**Applications must be postmarked no later than Friday, May 2, 2025.**

Scholarship recipients will be recognized at our monthly meeting on **June 14, 2025, 10:00 AM** at The Smith-Williams Service Center, 2295 Pasco Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32310.

**Please forward any questions to:**

National Hook-Up of Black Women, Inc.  
 Scholarship Committee Chair  
 Mrs. Genise Cooper  
 Email: [genisepetithomme@yahoo.com](mailto:genisepetithomme@yahoo.com)  
 Or call (305) 710-6572

*Special Note: The National Hook-Up of Black Women, Inc. reserves the right to publish excerpts from selected essays and pictures of winners for promotional purposes.*

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**Gwen Cherry Scholarship Application**

(Please print or type)

<b>Name:</b>		
<b>Address:</b>		
<b>City:</b>	<b>State:</b>	<b>Zip Code:</b>
<b>Phone Numbers:</b>		
<b>Home:</b>	<b>Cell:</b>	
<b>E-mail:</b>		
<b>Parent or Guardian:</b>		
<b>High School:</b>		
<b>School Activities:</b>		
<b>Community Service Activities:</b>		
<b>Interests and Hobbies:</b>		
<b>College of Choice: (please check one of the following)</b> ❖ ( ) Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University ❖ ( ) Florida State University ❖ ( ) Tallahassee Community College		
<b>Program of Study:</b>		

