



**THE THORNTON SISTERS  
FOUNDATION, INC.**

*The NOTES of Education Compose the Symphony of LIFE*

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**General Information:**

The Thornton Sisters Foundation, Inc. is a nonprofit corporation organized for the purpose of annually providing one or more one-year educational scholarship(s) to deserving young females of color. The Foundation will be sending this information to Public High Schools within the State of New Jersey. Consequently, **any female who satisfies the student requirements should be allowed to apply.** (See requirements below and on reverse side).

The scholarship(s) shall be used to contribute to the students' college tuition and/or books depending upon the amount of funds available to the Foundation for that fiscal year. All completed applications with their supporting documents must be **postmarked no later than May 7, 2017.** Incomplete applications will NOT be considered.

The school's guidance counselor may duplicate the enclosed original application. Any student who has or will receive a full scholarship at any time should not apply. All Awards will be presented at the Foundation's Annual Banquet; and the Finalists will be notified prior to the formal Awards Ceremony.

## Student Requirements

1. A New Jersey High School Senior
2. A female of color [African-American, Latino-American, Caribbean-American, Native American, etc.]
3. A High School Grade Point Average (GPA) of C+ or better
  - a). An official school transcript is required
4. Submit three (3) letters of recommendations:
  - a). Must be from a teacher or faculty member
  - b). Must include to what capacity person has known applicant and for how long
  - c). Each letter must be signed and then sealed with author's signature across the sealed portion of the envelope
5. Submit most recent copy of parents' Income Tax statement or any equivalent documentation of parents' income. Note: individual W-2 Forms will **NOT** be accepted.
6. Must complete the Personal Statement section of the application form:
  - a). A 500 word essay describing family background, personal and financial hardships, honors or academic distinctions and community involvement/activities
  - b). A photograph of applicant must be attached
7. Entering a four-year accredited college or university:
  - a). Official verification of college acceptance is required and all scholarship monies will be payable directly to the college
  - b). Any finalist\* who does not complete her first year of college, shall reimburse the Foundation for all scholarship monies received and all legal costs incurred with that reimbursement

**\* When the student becomes one of the finalists, a personal interview with the Board of Trustees shall be required.**



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**THE DONALD and ITASKER THORNTON**

**MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

**2016 - 2017 School Year**

**Note: PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY. THE SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS WILL BE INFLUENCED BY THE NEATNESS AND LEGIBILITY OF THE REPLY.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
LAST FIRST MIDDLE

Address \_\_\_\_\_  
NUMBER & STREET CITY STATE ZIP CODE

Home Telephone Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor's Telephone Number: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

**I. ETHNIC INFORMATION-** Please Circle ONE of the following:

African-American

Latino-American

Caribbean-American

Native American

Other \_\_\_\_\_

**II. EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND**

High School \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME and LOCATION

\_\_\_\_\_  
YEARS of ATTENDANCE

\_\_\_\_\_  
CURRICULUM/MAJOR FIELD

\_\_\_\_\_  
GPA

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATES

III. PERSONAL STATEMENT [minimum 500 word Essay]. Please describe your family background (i.e. parents, grandparents, siblings), any personal and/or economic disadvantages, honors or academic distinctions and community involvement/activities.

**Recent**  
**PASSPORT**  
**Photo Size**  
**Required**

**Scholarship Information Checklist**  
**[2016 - 2017 School Year]**

A **Completed** application includes the following Five (5) components:

1. **A Student Application Form-** Please complete ALL sections of the Application Form and provide signature of applicant on last page.
2. **An Official High School Transcript-** Final Grades received in the core courses and school's calculated GPA over a 3½ year period.
3. **Documentation of Family Income** or a most recent copy of parents' Income Tax statement. Note: Individual W-2 Forms will **NOT** be accepted.
4. **THREE (3) letters of Recommendations-** ALL letters must be from teachers or faculty members. Each letter must include the capacity by which the person has known the applicant and for how long. EACH letter must be signed and sealed with the author's signature across the sealed portion of the envelope.
5. **ONE (1) College Acceptance Letter-** Letter must be from an accredited four-year college or university.

**ALL Five (5) of the above Components MUST be SENT TOGETHER in the SAME envelope and the envelope must be postmarked NO LATER THAN May 7, of each calendar year. An application shall be identified as **INCOMPLETE** if any of the Five components are missing or the original envelope is postmarked After May 7, of each calendar year. **INCOMPLETE** applications shall **NOT** be considered for any reason.**

I hereby certify that all information submitted in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE of APPLICANT

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

Return **ALL** application materials **TOGETHER** in **ONE** envelope to:

**THE THORNTON SISTERS FOUNDATION, INC.**  
**P.O. Box 21**  
**Atlantic Highlands, New Jersey 07716-0021**

T.S. Foundation Office: 732-768-4263 (cell)  
Web Page: [www.thornton-sisters.com](http://www.thornton-sisters.com)