**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**INSTRUCTIONS & ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA**

1. You must complete the application in full. Incomplete or illegible applications will not be considered.

2. You must submit your completed application by email: alofaitulischolarship@gmail.com prior to the posted deadline.

3. To be eligible for the TARA Scholarship you must be:

* A Graduating High School Senior
* A Resident of California, Hawaii, or Am. Samoa
* Enrolling in a 4-year college or university in the fall
* Pacific Island descent (at least one parent).

**Pacific Islanders are defined as natives or inhabitants of any of the Polynesian, Micronesian or Melanesian islands of Oceania.**

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| Applicant Information |
| Student’s Name: |       |       |   | Birthdate: |       |
|  Last | First | M.I. |  |
| Address: |       |       |
|  Street Address | Apartment/Unit # |
|  |       |    |       |
|  City | State | ZIP Code |
| Primary Phone: | (   )       | E-mail Address: |       |
| Are you a resident of CA, HI or AS? | YES[ ]  | NO[ ]  | Which county / village do you reside? |       |
|  (e.g. Los Angeles, Orange, Vatia, etc.) |
| Family Background |
| Parents Marital Status: (check one) | Married[ ]  | Single[ ]  | Separated[ ]  | Divorced[ ]  | Widowed [ ]  | Legal Guardian:(check one) | One/Both Parents[ ]  | Grand parent[ ]  | Other Relative[ ]  | Non-Relative[ ]  |
| **PARENT’S INFORMATION** |  |
| Father is from: | Polynesia[ ]  | Micronesia[ ]  | Melanesia[ ]  | Please Specify the Island (e.g. Samoa, Guam, etc.) |       | Father’sName: |       |
| Mother is from: | Polynesia[ ]  | Micronesia[ ]  | Melanesia[ ]  | Please Specify the Island (e.g. Samoa, Guam, etc.) |       | Mother’s Name:  |       |
| Please briefly explain your Pacific Island heritage: |
|       |
| Education |
| High School Attended: (List Current HS Only) |       | High School City & State: |       |
| Month/Year Graduate: |       | GPA (On a 4.0 Scale)  |     | Highest Cumulative SAT Score |       | Highest Composite ACT Score |       |
| NOTE: If selected as a scholarship finalist or recipient, student will be required to submit an official copy of high school transcripts and a copy of SAT and/or ACT Scores, for verification, prior to receiving the award. |
| Extracurricular Activities: |       |
| Awards, Honors, Memberships: |       |
| College or University you plan to attend in the fall:  |       |
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| Essay |
| What are your educational and professional goals and objectives? |
|       |
| Notes |
| Use this section to explain information above, enter comments or to insert information not added above due to limited space. |
|       |
| Disclaimer and Signature |
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| *I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the Taito and Ruta Alofaituli Scholarship program.**I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, I must be able to provide my official high school transcripts, a recent photo, proof of acceptance from an accredited college and a copy of my SAT and/or ACT scores prior to the distribution of funds.*  |
| Signature of Scholarship Applicant: |       | Date: |       |
| Signature is not required if application is filled out electronically. |

All information stated in this application is strictly **confidential** and will be used for selection purposes only.

If you have any questions regarding this application, please send an email to alofaitulischolarship@gmail.com