

**SEE DAI DOO SOCIETY
1300 Pali Highway
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813**

Application Guidelines for Educational Assistance for University or Community College

The See Dai Doo Society (SDDS) recognizes the value of education and therefore, offers assistance under its Educational Assistance Program:

- To encourage self-improvement and achieve educational excellence of students who attend an accredited University or Community College, and
- To promote active participation in community activities (especially service to the Chinese Community).

Note: Recipients are eligible to receive up to four years of assistance toward an undergraduate degree at an accredited four-year University, or up to two years of assistance towards an associate degree at a Community College. The maximum an applicant can receive is a total of four years of educational assistance.

Requirements for all applicants:

- Applicant must be a Hawaii Resident.
- Applicant must have an ancestor from the See Dai Doo Geographical Area
- Applicant must be a new or continuing full-time student enrolled in an accredited institution that grants 2-year or 4-year college degrees.
- Applicant must have achieved at least a 3.3 cumulative grade point average on a 4.0 point scale.

Educational assistance is awarded in accordance with policies and rules set forth by the See Dai Doo Society.

- An awardee will receive a monetary award after showing proof of enrollment (such as a schedule of classes) and proof of tuition payment for the first semester. The check will be sent to the recipient at his or her parent's address.
- Annual monetary awards will range from \$500 to \$2,000.

All application packages must include:

- A completed, signed, and dated application.
- All documents required for the application.

Applicant must submit all of the following:

- **A typed essay of 350 to 500 words signed and dated by the applicant on the topic:**
“Many fraternal and civic organizations are founded on culture and traditions. What role do you think that such an organization like the See Dai Doo Society has to play in preserving your culture and traditions?”
- **A short paragraph** stating how the award will help/has helped you in your studies
- **A short paragraph** on your choice of major/career and what you hope to accomplish in that career
- **An official transcript** of the 2016-2017 school year showing at least 3.3 cumulative grade point average (GPA) out of a 4.0 GPA. Schools may also send transcripts to the following e-mail address: SDDSScholarship@gmail.com . Please annotate “2017 TRANSCRIPT for Student Name” in the subject line. *Note, if sending transcripts via e-mail, please remember that the e-mail may not be opened until after the deadline.
- **A typed resumé** of educational accomplishments and community service.
- **A letter of recommendation from an individual** who is not a family member. The typed letter must include the individual’s name and signature, title, name of school/business, address, and date with the envelope sealed and signed over the seal. Individuals choosing to send their Letter of Recommendation via e-mail may send it to SDDSScholarship@gmail.com . Please annotate “2017 LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION for Student Name” in the subject line.

DEADLINE:

The completed application package must be postmarked, or delivered to the See Dai Doo Society, 1300 Pali Highway, Honolulu, HI 96813 no later than **June 24, 2017**.

It is the responsibility of the applicant to submit a complete application packet including all supporting documentation as well as those documents sent via e-mail (transcripts). Incomplete Application Packets will not be considered. Application packets and e-mail will not be opened by the Education Committee until after the submission deadline.

Here is a checklist for applicants. Please be sure to complete and submit all of the following:

- Completed, signed and dated application form and release of information form.
- Official transcript of grades from applicant’s current school.
- A typed and dated essay on the topic above
- A short paragraph stating how the award will help/has helped you in your studies.
- A short paragraph on your choice of major/career and
- A typed resumé of educational accomplishments and community service.
- One letter of recommendation