



Sunday, April 23, 2023

Des Moines Alumnae Chapter

HELEN LEMME SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

ATTENTION: AFRICAN AMERICAN STUDENTS

If you are a high school graduating senior and live in the toll-free calling area of Des Moines and Boone, Iowa, you are eligible to apply for this scholarship. To be considered, you **MUST** do all of the following:

1. Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5
2. Submit an application online or print the application and submit a typed application via the U.S. postal service.
3. Submit two (2) letters of reference from individuals who are not relatives.
At least one letter of reference must be from a current or former teacher.
Letters should include specifics on the student's academic performance, how they adapt socially and their overall attitude about school and their future
4. Submit an **OFFICIAL** copy of your high school transcript from the registrar.
5. Copies **WILL NOT** be accepted if they state "Issued to the student." The transcript should identify your African American or Black heritage.
6. Submit a typed one page essay discussing your future plans and why you feel you deserve the Helen Lemme Scholarship. The essay should be 1 page. Essays should be typed using Times New Roman, 12-point font, and double spaced.
7. Submit a recent photograph along with the consent to publish.
8. Participate in a ZOOM interview.

If you submit your application via mail, you can mail your essay, transcript, and letters of reference to the address listed below.

You will receive a confirmation email once all parts of your application are received.

Des Moines Alumnae Chapter
Scholarship Committee Attn: Maria J. Barnes
P.O. Box 4706
Des Moines, IA 50305

The application packet must be submitted online or postmarked on or before April 15, 2022

For additional information, contact Maria J. Barnes at dsmdstscholarships@gmail.com

Only High School SENIORS Are Eligible

Student Information

Student Name	Nire Barnes
Student Address	15081 Bryn Mawr Dr Clive, Iowa, 50325
Student Phone Number	(515) 414-1775
Student Email	nire0128@gmail.com

Application Materials

Essay

The essay should be 1 page explaining your future plans and why you deserve the Helen Lemme Scholarship. Essays should be typed using Times New Roman, 12-point font and double spaced

Essay Upload



Scholarship Essay.pdf

School and Community Involvement (Please list and describe. You may also attach a resume or additional word document/.PDF)

Youth Basketball Camp Counselor at Waukee Northwest and YMCA
Participated in an Epilepsy Walk
Meals From the Heartland
Waukee Northwest Girls Varsity Basketball team (11th grade-12th grade)
Prairieview Middle School Basketball team (8th grade)
Waukee High Varsity Basketball team (9th grade-10th grade)
7th Grade school trip to Washington D.C.
Reading to Elementary students

Official High School Transcript



NB transcript.pdf

Current Photograph



Going to college is always something I planned on doing after high school. The one thing that many people fear about attending college is the cost of it. I have been blessed with a great family/support system to where I have never really had to worry about money. However, My mother is a single parent with a 2 and a half year old daughter to care for. The cost of my education will be an additional burden for her.

I played basketball from first grade to my senior year. Playing during the school year and summers, required a significant commitment not only with practices but with the amount of travel to many different cities and states. That prevented me from getting a job of my own because most of my time was split between basketball and school. I know if I had the opportunity to win the Helen Lemme Scholarship, it would really help my family and me with the cost of books and tuition.

I have always received good grades and been the type of person that takes school very seriously. My hard work in and out of the classroom has been noticed by the Universities I have applied to. I have been accepted at Langston University in Oklahoma, University of Iowa, and Iowa State University. I am planning to attend The University of Iowa in the fall of 2023. I indicated my area of study to be an open major, due to the fact that I have several areas of interest such as education, sports management, and also dentistry. I intend to select a course of study after completing some of the basic liberal arts courses. Thank you for considering me for the Helen Lemme Scholarship. It will be extremely beneficial to me and my ongoing education.



Northwest High School

655 NW 10th ST
 Waukee, IA 50263
 PH: 515-987-5181
 FAX: 515-987-8198

Nire Christine Barnes-Heard

15081 Bryn Mawr Dr
 Clive, IA 50325
 Grade: 12
 Birth Date: 01/28/2005

	Semester 1	Semester 2		Semester 1	Semester 2
18-19 Prairieview School			22-23 Northwest High School		
Spanish I	P 1.00	P 1.00	Sociology	A- 1.00	
Algebra I	P 1.00	P 1.00	Financial Literacy	B 1.00	
19-20 Prairieview School				C+ 1.00	
Culinary Arts I	B+ 1.00				
Child Dev: Preschool	A 1.00				
English I	B+ 1.00	B 1.00			
Spanish II	A- 1.00	B+ 1.00			
Modern World History	B 1.00	B 1.00			
Formal Geometry	B 1.00	B 1.00			
Physical Science	B+ 1.00	B- 1.00			
P.E. 9th		A 1.00			
Health 9th		A+ 1.00			
20-21 Waukee High School					
Culinary Arts II	B+ 1.00				
Recent United States History		A- 1.00			
Speech	B 1.00				
Child Dev: Prenatal, Infant, Toddler		B- 1.00			
English II		B- 1.00			
		B- 1.00			
Spanish III	B+ 1.00				
	A 1.00				
Spanish IV		C 1.00			
		B 1.00			
Algebra II	A- 1.00				
	B 1.00				
Modern Biology	B 1.00				
	B+ 1.00				
P E Warrior Fit		A+ 1.00			
Health II		A+ 1.00			
21-22 Northwest High School					
Sports and Entertainment Marketing	A 1.00				
Human Phys & Anatomy	C 1.00				
	C- 1.00				
Intro to Business		B 1.00			
English III		B 1.00			
		A 1.00			
A P US History		B+ 1.00			
		A 1.00			
Contemporary Affairs	B 1.00				
Probability / Statistics	C+ 1.00				
Chemistry I		B- 1.00			
		B 1.00			
Marketing		A- 1.00			
Business Law	A+ 1.00				
Entrepreneurship	A- 1.00				
P E Team Sports	A+ 1.00				
22-23 Northwest High School					
Interpersonal Relationships	A+ 1.00				
ProStart I	A 1.00				

A+ = 4.33
 A = 4.00
 A- = 3.67
 B+ = 3.33
 B = 3.00
 B- = 2.67
 C+ = 2.33
 C = 2.00
 C- = 1.67
 D+ = 1.33
 D = 1.00
 D- = 0.67
 F = 0.00
 P = Passing
 AU = Audit
 NC = No Credit

Total Credits Earned: 55.000
 Cumulative GPA: 3.320
 Graduation date:

Registrar

Date

School/Financial Information

College Plans

Indicate choice of higher education/training

University or College (four year)

Name of institution(s) to which you are applying, applied or are attending.

List no more than three (3) in priority order

Name	Tuition Cost	Room & Board Cost	Miscellaneous Expenses	Acceptance
University Of Iowa	10,353	11,476	5,000	I have been accepted by the school

Name of other financial assistance for which you have made application

Family Financial Assistance:

Did you complete the Family Financial Assistance Form? (i.e. FAFSA form)

Yes

How much are you expected to pay toward your college expenses?

\$0

How much are your parents/guardians, if applicable, expected to pay?

\$6,000

Other Scholarships and Grants: (List all those for which you have applied. Upload additional document if necessary)

Scholarship/Grant (List Iowa tuition and grants. i.e. Pell or other scholarships)	Requested Amount	Awarded Amount	What does it cover? (i.e. tuition, room & board, other)	Have you been notified that amount was awarded
None				

Employment Opportunities - Do you plan to seek employment to help finance your education? Please explain.

Yes I plan to find a work study position

References

Please list names and addresses of two (2) references
One must be a current or former teacher (not related)

Reference #1 - Current or Past Teacher

Reference #1 Name

Christopher Guess

Reference #1 Relationship to Applicant

Past Teacher

Reference #1 Address655 NW N 10th St
Waukee, IA, 50263**Reference #1 Phone Number**

(515) 822-3977

Reference #1 Email Address

cguess@waukeeschools.org

**Reference #1 Recommendation Letter
(must be signed with actual signature,
no font signatures)**

Letter of Recommendation.pdf

Reference #2 - Employer, Mentor, Pastor, Family Friend, Teacher**Reference #2 Name**

Renee Alexander

Reference #2 Address1280 Spring Green Ln
Burnsville , Minnesota, 55306**Reference #2 Phone Number**

(952) 406-2813

Reference #2 Email Address

raa1629@gmail.com

**Reference #2 Recommendation Letter
(must be signed with actual signature,
no font signatures)**

Letter of Recommendation _2.pdf

Parent/Guardian Information**First Parent/Guardian Information****Parent/Guardian Name**

Erin Barnes

Parent/Guardian Address15081 Bryn Mawr Dr
Clive , Iowa, 50325**Parent/Guardian Occupation**

Program Coordinator, Medical Education

**Total Annual Household Income
(including SSI, Military Benefits, FiP,
Retirement, Pension, Child Support)**

\$61,990'

Second Parent/Guardian Information (if applicable)**Number of other dependents in the home**

Children: Kalaya J Madison

Adults:

Number of other family members in the home that attend college

0

Education History (list last school attended)

School	Grade Point Average	Location	Dates Attended	ACT Score	SAT Score

Selection Committee:

It is my pleasure to recommend Nire Barnes. For the past three years, Nire has been a youth basketball camp counselor at Waukee Northwest and the Waukee YMCA. Nire is also an active member of the Waukee Community by getting involved with the epilepsy walk and preparing meals for Meals from the Heartland. As the Head Girls Basketball Coach for Waukee High School and Waukee Northwest High School, I have observed that Nire set herself apart from other students as one who is self motivated, talented, intelligent, professional, kind, and respectful.

Nire sets high personal and academic goals for herself and works diligently to achieve them; she's not satisfied to simply get by with the bare minimum. She is a conscientious student that strives for excellence while placing a high priority on her family, her school, and her community.

In addition to academics, Nire maintains a well-balanced life through her involvement in athletics, volunteer work, and her friends and family.. Throughout her high school career, she has dedicated hours to volunteering outside of the school setting. She has genuine compassion for others and enjoys serving and participating in various community service projects. Nire is a natural leader as she is quick to assess various situations, determine what needs to be done, create plans to accomplish goals, and assume responsibility when necessary.

Thank you for considering Nire Barnes.

Sincerely,

Chris Guess
Business Instructor
Head Girls Basketball Coach
Northwest High School

To Whom It May Concern:

It is my honor and privilege to provide this letter of support for Ms. Nire' Barnes.

I have come to know Nire' through my friendship with the Barnes family. She has grown into a beautiful young woman through her strong faith, family values and education. Nire' has established herself as a true leader on her athletic teams as well. This was not merely because of her athletic ability, but instead for her ability to follow directions, her willingness to take appropriate risks, and her influence on her peers, many of whom were older and more seasoned than she.

Ms. Barnes's energy, commitment, and assertiveness have been integral to the many successes her teams have celebrated. Her leadership is selfless and benefits all she comes in contact with. I have been able to observe her enthusiasm, positive attitude and capacity to build, and strengthen relationships with people from varieties of backgrounds. She also has demonstrated her academic success throughout her high school career by mastering multiple languages, completing advanced level courses and maintaining a grade point average of 3.3/4.0.

In my view, Ms. Barnes is a true example of what a role model should be. She has chosen to stand for her beliefs and principles with dignity. When faced with difficult situations and decisions, Nire' has sought and accepted the advice of those who could assist. She continually gravitated toward opportunities that have allowed for intellectual growth rather than those of momentary convenience. Nire' has not given in to her own interest as not to aid those less fortunate than she, nor does she seek attention or praise for her benevolence.

Nire' Barnes is indeed a shining example of how bright our future still remains. She has demonstrated through her academic and athletic success, and her civic involvements that she is of quality moral fiber, possesses a strong sense of character, with an indomitable spirit to succeed. I wholeheartedly and without hesitation recommend her for your consideration.

Should you have any other questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at my personal number 952-406-2813 or at email raa1629@gmail.com .

Respectfully submitted,

Renee' Adriann Alexander

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Senior Director, Benefits Administration

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COLLABORATION | RESPECT | STEWARDSHIP | INTEGRITY | EXCELLENCE

School	Grade Point Average	Location	Dates Attended	ACT Score	SAT Score
Wauke Northwest	3.329	Wauke e Iowa	2021- 2023	19	

* Income must be included for application to be considered

Information in this application is confidential and shared only with members of the Scholarship Committee.

Application Check-List

Completed applications must be submitted online or postmarked by March 22, 2021.

Contact Maria J. Barnes at dsmdstscholarships@gmail.com. If you have not received a confirmation email one (1) week after submitting your complete application.

Application Check-list

Current High School Senior

Completed, signed and dated application. The application must be typed if printed and mailed

Essay

1 Reference letter from current or past teacher

1 Reference letter from employer, mentor, pastor, family friend, teacher (cannot be related)

Official High School Transcript

Current photograph

Consent to have photograph published on Des Moines Alumnae website

NOTE: Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

By signing and dating below:

I certify that the information provided in this application is true, complete and accurate

I certify that I am a graduating senior

I certify that I am African-American

I certify that all statements and essays submitted are my own work

I consent to having my photograph published on the Des Moines Alumnae website

Applicants Signature (sign using your finger or mouse) 

Date

Sunday, April 23, 2023

Thank you for your interest in Delta Sigma Theta Sorority's Helen Lemme Scholarship