

**Sophia Fleming Chapter  
National Society Daughters of the American Revolution**

**Directions to Clay County, 2017 High School Graduating Seniors for the 2017 Sophia Fleming Scholarship**

**Please Note: It is very important that you carefully follow the directions below in order to be a finalist for this scholarship. We will offer (1) \$1,000 Scholarship.**

1. After you have completed your application documents, ask others to review them, suggest changes, and/or make corrections. Reviewers might be your school counselor, a teacher, a family member, or other adult.
  
2. There are three sections to be completed when applying for a Sophia Fleming Scholarship, as given below.
  - A. **Section I:** Present an essay of 400 words or less entitled **“The United States of America: What It Means to Me.”** If your essay exceeds 400 words, your application will be disqualified.  
Recommended Guide for Your Essay:  
A good way to approach an essay is to envision it as a five part project.  
An essay is made up of (1) the introduction, (2) three or more main points (the body), and (3) the conclusion. It might follow this format:
    - Introduction
    - Point One
    - Point Two
    - Point Three
    - Conclusion
  - B. **Section II:** List any community service, awards, and recognitions you received throughout grades 9 through 12. Awards might be monetary rewards or plaques, pins, and certificates for outstanding performance. Recognitions might be your name in the school or community newspaper for participation in a national, school or community activity or school announcements of such participations.
  - C. **Section III:** Present a minimum of two Letters of Recommendation – one from an adult school representative and one from a community member who has worked with you or witnessed your contribution to the community. Please ask the writer to be specific about your accomplishments to this organization.  
A school representative might be your school counselor, the school principal, or a teacher. A community member might be your church minister or the president of an organization such as Lions Club or Kiwanis Club.

**3. Deadline for Completed Application to Be Received: February 24, 2017.**

**Please use regular mail. Applications will not be accepted if sent by certified or registered mail or delivered to my home. You will receive an email or telephone call that your application has been received. The application must be received on or before the deadline date of February 24, 2017 in order for it to be eligible for consideration. Winners will be notified the week of March 27, 2017.**

4. Mail application documents to:
  - Lynda Lewis, Chairman, Sophia Fleming Scholarship Committee
  - Sophia Fleming Chapter, NSDAR
  - 316 Scenic Point Lane
  - Fleming Island, FL 32003

Thank you for your application. It will be given careful consideration.

