



National Scholarship Chair Endorsement

From the Desk of
Lady Yolanda E. Smith



Lady Yolonda E. Smith
*2019-2023 National
Scholarship Chair*

I am very pleased to endorse Lady Kendra Gillespie for the position of National 2nd Vice President of Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc.

During my tenure (2019-2023) as the National Scholarship Committee Chair, I've had the honor of working with Lady Kendra, National Top Teens of America Director. We collaborated on joint TTA programs and activities. Her encouragement to graduating high school seniors of TTA to apply for national scholarships that were being offered through TLOD, I'm convinced, helped with the receipt of a record number of applications received to date. Most recently, the collaboration with TTA, National Scholarship and National Literacy Committees was a huge success as we presented the Scholarship Zone Webinar for Top Teens and parents. Lady Kendra worked behind the scenes to ensure we had a successful outcome.

Lady Kendra is extremely talented and creative, which is evident as she led Top Teens of America through the worst times in TLOD history when we experienced a global pandemic. She was determined that our Teens would thrive and be supported even as she experienced personal family challenges and loss. She is committed to TLOD.

I have every confidence that Lady Kendra Gillespie will continue to work diligently with professionalism, knowledge, compassion and boundless energy as the next National 2nd Vice President of Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc.

Lady Yolanda E. Smith
Top Ladies of Distinction, Inc.
2019-2023 National Scholarship Committee Chair