CERRITOS AREA ALUMNAE CHAPTER

OF

DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.

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2021 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Application Deadline:

Application package must be RECEIVED by Monday, March 22, 2021

DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY INCORPORATED

A Brief History

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Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is an organization of college educated women committed to constructive development of its members and to public service with a primary focus on the African American community. The sorority was founded on the campus of Howard University in 1913 by 22 visionary young women. The organization has grown to include more than 1,000 chapters throughout the United States, England, Germany, the Caribbean, Japan, the Republic of Korea and the Arabian Gulf. The sorority provides public service in the Five Point Programmatic Thrusts of:

Educational Development
Economic Development
Physical & Mental Health
Social Action (formerly Political Awareness)
International Awareness & Involvement

Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter

The Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter was chartered on May 1, 1999 by 21 Sorors dedicated to carrying on the mission of the sorority and public service to the community. Our service area includes Cerritos, Artesia, Hawaiian Gardens, Bellflower, Downey, Norwalk, La Mirada, Santa Fe Springs and Whittier.

The Chapter has grown to include nearly 100 members. We provide a diverse range of community service projects including youth enrichment programs, educational scholarships, Thanksgiving food and Christmas toy drives, voter awareness and registration, financial workshops, community political involvement and other activities that aid in the progress of our service area.

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

The applicant must meet the following criteria in order to be eligible for the scholarship:

- be of **African American/Black heritage.**
- be a high school senior graduating in 2020 – 2021 academic year attending school in the following communities: Artesia, Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, La Mirada, Norwalk, Santa Fe Springs, and Whittier **OR** be a participant in a Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter Youth Program (GEMS or EMBODI).
- have a minimum **GPA of 3.0**
- plan to attend an accredited four-year university or two-year community college as a full-time freshman in the **Fall of 2021**.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- ❑ Completed Application
- ❑ Copy of school identification card with picture. **Please upload as a PDF file and email with completed application.**
- ❑ SAT and/or ACT scores. **Please upload as a PDF file attachment and email with completed application.**
- ❑ Official Transcript **sealed AND bearing official school seal** or signature on envelope closure. Please have transcript mailed to:
  Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
  Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter
  ATTN: Scholarship Committee
  P.O. Box # 3853
  Cerritos, CA 90703
- ❑ Recommendation Form completed by a teacher or advisor and returned in a **sealed envelope bearing official school seal or signature on envelope closure.** Please have recommendation form mailed to:
  Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
  Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter
  ATTN: Scholarship Committee
  P.O. Box #3853
  Cerritos, CA 90703
- ❑ Community service letter on **organization letterhead** with **number of service hours performed. Please upload as a PDF file attachment and email with completed application.**
- ❑ Statement of Goals and Aspirations.**Please upload as a PDF file attachment and email with completed application.**
- ❑ Parent Signature(s)
- ❑ Applicant Signature

If any items are omitted, application will be deemed incomplete and will not be considered.

Incomplete packages will not be returned.

All materials become the property of Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated.

Email application and required supplemental documentation to:

CAACscholarship@gmail.com

Official school transcript and Recommendation form mailed to:

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

CERRITOS AREA ALUMNAE CHAPTER

Attention: Scholarship Committee

P.O. Box 3853

Cerritos, CA 90703

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:		
Home Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:	
Email Address:	Date of Birth:	
Do you participate in Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter – Delta GEMS or EMBODI : Yes ☐ No ☐		
Parent/Guardian Name:		
Relationship to Applicant:		
Work Phone:	Cell Phone:	
Email Address:		
Are you the child or grandchild of a Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter member: Yes ☐ No ☐		
Do you reside in a single parent household? Yes ☐ No ☐		

EDUCATION INFORMATION

High School Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip Code:
Graduation Date:		
Have you taken the SAT and/or ACT? Yes ☐ No ☐	**If yes, please provide proof with application.**	

PROJECTED COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Name of Institution:	
City:	State:
Intended Major:	

List honors and awards received during high school. Please include names and dates of the awards. *You may attach an additional sheet to the application if needed.*

HONORS AND AWARDS

Award/Recognition	Date Received

List community service performed during the past four years. (While community service may be sponsored by a school or church, the volunteer activity must benefit the greater community and not just the school or church congregation). **Verification of community service must be on organization letterhead and clearly state the number of hours performed**.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Organization	Service Performed	Year	# of hours/performed

List extra-curricular activities that you have participated in during high school. Please include a description of activities, positions held, duties, and dates involved. *You may attach an additional sheet to the application if needed.*

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Activity	Position Held	Duties	Dates

Describe your work experience during the past four years.

WORK EXPERIENCE			
Company/Position	**Start Date**	**End Date**	**Hours per week**

CERTIFICATION:

IMPORTANT: Applicant and Parent/Legal Guardian signatures are required below. Without signatures, your application is incomplete and will not be processed.

I certify that the INFORMATION IN THIS APPLICATION IS TRUE, COMPLETE AND ACCURATE, AND THAT ALL STATEMENTS AND ESSAYS ARE MY OWN WORK. Further, I understand that a scholarship award from Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. – Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter may be denied or revoked if any information contained herein is found inaccurate. Should I receive a scholarship award, I hereby give permission to Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. – Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter to utilize my name, photo, and scholarship award in any publicity marketing materials.

CERTIFICATION
Name of Applicant (PLEASE PRINT):
Signature of Applicant:
Date:
Parent/Legal Guardian Signature:
Date:

Please email completed application and supplemental documentation to:

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COMPLETED APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY

MARCH 22, 2021

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REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

STATEMENT OF GOALS AND ASPIRATIONS

In **no more than 500 words**, tell us about yourself and please share in detail what your educational, career and goal aspirations are. Describe how you will use educational and career experience to give back to your community and who or what inspires you to do so.

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RECOMMENDATION FORM

(To be completed by a teacher or advisor at current school)

APPLICANT NAME:_____

You have been asked to provide information in support of this applicant. Please give immediate and serious attention to the following statements. When complete, please return in a **sealed envelope bearing official school seal or signature on envelope closure.**

4 = Outstanding 3 = Above Average 2 = Average 1 = Unsatisfactory

The applicant's choice of a post-secondary education program	☐ 4	☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1
The applicant's achievement reflects his/her ability	☐ 4	☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1
The applicant's ability to set realistic and attainable goals	☐ 4	☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1
The quality of the applicant's commitment to school and community	☐ 4	☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1
The applicant's ability to seek, find, and use learning resources	☐ 4	☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1
The applicant demonstrates a level of curiosity and initiative	☐ 4	☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1
The applicant's ability to problem-solve and complete tasks	☐ 4	☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1
The applicant's respect for self and others	☐ 4	☐ 3	☐ 2	☐ 1

COMMENTS (attach additional sheets if necessary)		
Recommender's Name:		
Title:	Phone:	Email:
Recommender's School:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:

Please mail signed and completed recommendation to:

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Attention: Scholarship Committee

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Cerritos, CA 90703

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