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DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC
CERRITOS AREA ALUMNAE CHAPTER
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In partnership with



CRIMSON & CREAM
COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

2023 Scholarship Application

Application Deadline:

Application package must be POSTMARKED by

March 1, 2023

The application must be **TYPED**.

A fillable PDF application is also available for download at:

<https://cerritosdst.com/programs>

Click on Scholarships

Click on 2023 Scholarship App

This one application can be used to apply for one or more of
the scholarships listed in this document.

A Brief History

DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY INCORPORATED **Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter**

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 1000 chapters throughout the United States, England, Germany, the Caribbean, Japan and the Republic of Korea. The sorority provides public service in the Five Point Programmatic Thrusts of:

Educational Development, Economic Development, Physical & Mental Health, Political Awareness, and International Awareness & Involvement.

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. The Chapter's service area includes Cerritos, Artesia, Hawaiian Gardens, Bellflower, Downey, Norwalk, La Mirada, Santa Fe Springs and Whittier.

The Chapter has grown to include more than 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 and other activities that aid in the progress of our service area.

Crimson and Cream Community Foundation

Crimson and Cream Community Foundation (CCCF) was established on January 26, 2015. CCCF has a very diverse board of directors and members committed to public service. Our board consists of educators, entrepreneurs, corporate executives, community activists with a broad depth of knowledge regarding non-profits. We have collaborated with Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta, Inc., and Olive Crest, a 501C3 in Bellflower in numerous activities. CCCF is committed to helping our youth through providing annual scholarships for selected high school graduating seniors to further their opportunities to attend institutions of higher learning.

The mission of the Crimson and Cream Community Foundation (CCCF) is to support our communities efforts to promote economic and educational development, mental and physical health, political and international awareness.

The Crimson and Cream Community Foundation has collaborated with the Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., to award scholarships for selected youth, men and women, to further their opportunities to attend institutions of higher learning.

SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTIONS

All of the scholarships listed are administered by or managed by the Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter (CAAC) of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., or by the Crimson and Cream Community Foundation (CCCCF).

All of the scholarships listed are for graduating high school seniors, male or female, currently enrolled in one of the schools in the service area of Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter (CAAC) of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. One is specifically for a male.

This service area includes schools in the following communities: Artesia, Bellflower, Cerritos, Downey, Hawaiian Gardens, La Mirada, Norwalk, Santa Fe Springs, and Whittier OR be an active participant in a Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter Youth Program (GEMS or EMBODI).

For each of the scholarships listed, the applicant must be of African American/Black heritage.

#1 – Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter (CAAC Scholars)

The CAAC Scholars Scholarship was established by the membership of the Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. This scholarship is awarded to students who have demonstrated academic excellence while in high school.

Scholarship Amount: varied amounts – non renewable

Requirements:

- Applicant must have a minimum GPA of 3.0
- Recipient must register in an accredited four-year university or two-year community college as a full-time freshman in the Fall of the year the scholarship is awarded
- May **NOT** be the child or grandchild of a member of the Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
- Enrollment verification will be required via an official university or college document

2- The Jones Family Scholarship

Raymond and Anita Jones have created ***The Jones Family Scholarship***, a scholarship on behalf of The Jones Family. This scholarship is intended to benefit students who are being raised in a single parent household.

Scholarship Amount: \$1,000 non-renewable

Requirements:

- Applicant must have a minimum GPA of 2.75
- Recipient must register in an accredited four-year institution of higher learning in the Fall of the year receiving the award
- Student must be living in a single parent household
- Enrollment verification will be required via an official university or college document

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#3 - The League Family Middle Class Scholarship

Nia and Anthony League have created, ***The League Family Scholarship***, a scholarship on behalf of The League Family w/consultation from their children, Ayah & Amir. This scholarship is intended to benefit middle class families that are often excluded from need-based scholarships.

Preference given to student attending Mayfair High School in Lakewood, CA

Scholarship Amount: \$1,000 non-renewable

Requirements:

- Applicant must have a minimum GPA of 2.75
 - Recipient must register in an accredited four-year institution of higher learning in the Fall of the year receiving the award. Student must be at least 2nd Generation College Student (one/both parents have earned a college degree).
 - Enrollment verification will be required via an official university or college document
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#4 – Crimson and Cream Community Foundation Male Scholarship

The Crimson and Cream Community Foundation Scholarship is designed to encourage a male student of African American/Black heritage to pursue an education in an institution of higher learning; either a two year or four year institution.

The target area are students who are enrolled in one of the schools within the service area of the Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter (CAAC) of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., or be enrolled in the CAAC EMBODI program.

Scholarship Amount: varied amounts – non renewable

Requirements:

- Applicant must have a minimum GPA of 2.75
- Applicant must identify as a male
- Recipient must register in an accredited four-year or two-year institution of higher learning in the Fall of the year receiving the award
- Enrollment verification is required via an official university or college document

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#5 – The Jernigan Legacy Scholarship

The Jernigan Legacy Scholarship is for graduating seniors who are pursuing careers as teachers.

Applicants must major in, or plan to major in elementary, middle, or secondary science or math education.

Recipients of the scholarship **MUST** plan to attend a 4-year college/university and must major in either education or a major that lends itself to becoming a teacher; i.e., Liberal Studies.

Preference given to student attending Cerritos High School, Cerritos, CA.

Scholarship Amount:

- \$2,000 renewable
- The award is renewable for \$2000 for three additional, consecutive years
- Total of \$8,000 over four (4) consecutive years

Requirements:

- Applicant must have a minimum GPA of 2.75
- Recipient must register in an accredited four- year institution of higher learning in the fall of the year receiving the award
- Enrollment verification will be required via an official university or college document

Award Renewal:

- To renew the award, for each of the next consecutive year (years 2, 3, 4), the student must maintain at least a 2.9 GPA at the institution of higher learning and the grade point must be verified via an official transcript
- The recipient must continue pursuing a career in education as noted by the announced major of documented coursework in order to apply for the scholarship for each of the next consecutive three (3) years

#6 – Cerritos Area Alumnae (CAAC) Legacy Scholarship

The CAAC Legacy Scholarship was established by the membership of the Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. This scholarship is awarded to students who have demonstrated academic excellence while in high school and are either the child or grandchild of one of our current financial members.

Scholarship Amount: varied amounts – non renewable

Requirements:

- Applicant must have a minimum GPA of 3.0
- Recipient must register in an accredited four-year university or two-year community college as a full- time freshman in the Fall of the year the scholarship is awarded
- The applicant **MUST** be the child or grandchild of a **currently financial member** of the Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
- Enrollment verification will be required via an official university or college document

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name:

Home Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Home Phone:

Cell Phone:

Email Address:

Date of Birth:

Parent/Guardian Name:

Relationship to Applicant:

Work Phone:

Cell Phone:

Email Address:

Do you participate in Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter – Delta GEMS or EMBODI: Yes

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NO

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EDUCATION INFORMATION

High School Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Graduation Date:

If you have taken the SAT and/or ACT, please provide proof of test scores.

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Scores provided

PROJECTED COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Name of Institution:

City:

State:

Intended Major:

Check all of the scholarships you qualify for and would like to be considered for:

_____ CAAC Scholars
_____ League Family Scholarship
_____ CCCF Male Scholarship

_____ Jones Family Scholarship
_____ Jernigan Legacy Scholarship
_____ CAAC Legacy Scholarship

List honors and awards received during high school. Please include names and dates of the awards.

HONORS AND AWARDS	
Award/Recognition	Month/Year 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 letter must be on organization letterhead and clearly state the number of hours performed.

COMMUNITY SERVICE			
Organization	Service Performed	Year	# of hours

List extra-curricular activities that you have participated in during high school.
Please include a description of activities, positions held, duties, and dates involved.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES			
Activity/Position Held	Year	Activity/Position Held	Year

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, the 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 and/or Crimson and Cream Community Foundation may be denied or revoked if any information contained herein is found inaccurate. Should I receive a scholarship award, I hereby give permission to either Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc, Cerritos Area Alumnae Chapter or Crimson and Cream Community Foundation to utilize my name, photo and scholarship award in any publicity marketing materials. **After printing this document, ORIGINAL signatures are required. NO ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES!**

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

If you are applying for the **Jones Family Scholarship**, indicate which parent you reside with:

Both	Mother	% of time	Father	% of time
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

If you are applying for the **League Family Scholarship**, indicate which parent holds at least a Bachelor's Degree from an accredited institution.

Both	Mother	Father
Name of Institution		

If you are applying for the **CAAC Legacy Scholarship**, provide the mother's or grandmother's membership number: Membership number: _____

Applicant's Name:

REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

ESSAY

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Tell us about yourself while also sharing your future education plan and career goals. A part of your statement must address how you will use your education and experience to serve, or make a positive effect on your community.

Essay must be a minimum of 500 words and no more than 1,000 words. Typed (double spaced), and include your name on each page.

Please attach your essay to this page.

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RECOMMENDATION FORM

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

Applicant:	
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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 to applicant in a sealed envelope bearing official school seal or signature on envelope closure. **THIS MUST BE RETURNED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE.**

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

COMMENTS (attach additional sheets if necessary)

Recommender's Name:					
Title:		Phone:		Email:	
Recommender's School:					
School Address:					
City:		State:		Zip:	

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Completed, **TYPED** application

Copy of school identification card with picture, in color

Copy of SAT and/or ACT scores (optional)

OFFICIAL Transcript, which includes first semester, senior year grades, **SEALED** and bearing official school seal or staff signature on envelope closure. Include this with the entire application packet.

Recommendation Form completed by a teacher, advisor or counselor and returned in a **SEALED** envelope bearing official school seal or signature on envelope closure. Include this with the entire application packet.

Community service letter on organization letterhead with the **number of service hours performed**

Essay – Be sure it addresses the prompt listed, attach it to the form labeled ESSAY.

Parent Signature(s)

Applicant Signature

If any item(s) are omitted, the 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.

Please **MAIL, via US MAIL**, completed application **WITH ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION** to:

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
CERRITOS AREA ALUMNAE CHAPTER
Attention: Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 3853
Cerritos, CA 90703

**COMPLETED APPLICATION MUST BE POSTMARKED BY
MARCH 1, 2023**

For questions regarding the application process contact:

CAACscholarship@gmail.com