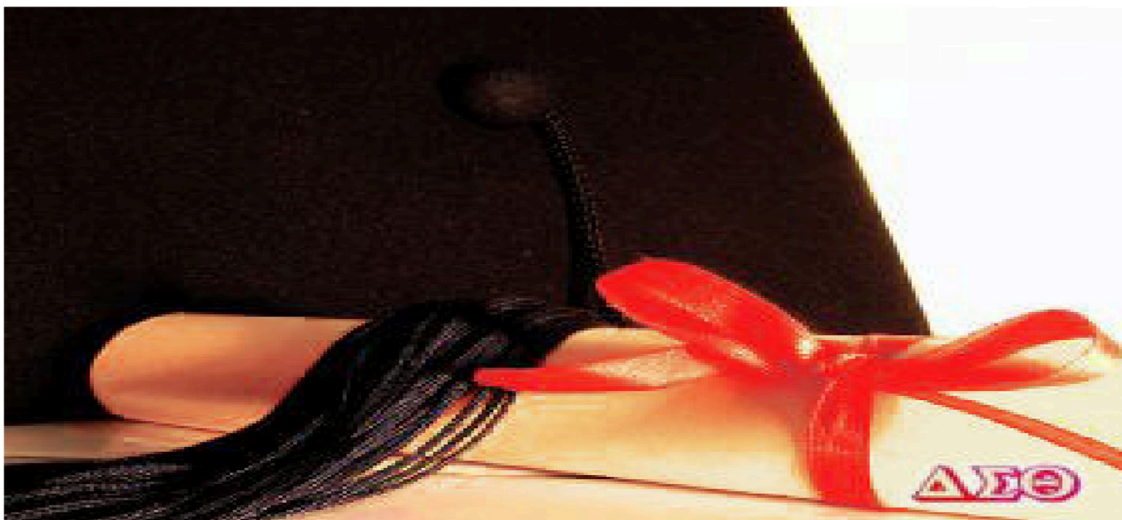




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2018 NDSA BOOK SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



Scholarship Application and Instructions

**Applications Accepted: March 8 – April 8, 2018
(11:59 PM, CST Deadline)**



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Dear Community Partner:

The North Dallas Suburban Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is proud to announce that we are accepting applications for our **2018 Book Scholarship** program. These scholarships will be awarded to graduating high school seniors of **African-American descent**, who have a GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale or its equivalent.

The application for the scholarship is attached. Applicants are asked to complete all requested information on the application and provide an official transcript. All applications must be postmarked no later than April 8, 2018 and mailed to:

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
North Dallas Suburban Alumnae Chapter
Attention: Scholarship Committee Chair
P.O. Box 830604
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Applications postmarked after April 8, 2018 will not be considered. Selected recipients will be notified via email no later than April 15th. Scholarships will be awarded during our Chapter's Emerging Artists Showcase on Sunday, April 22, 2018.

If you have any questions, please contact Tiffany Gilmore at 214.893.6364.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Pujo
Chapter President

April Spigner
Chair, Scholarship Committee

Tiffany Gilmore
Chair, Scholarship Committee

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2018 Book Scholarship Guidelines and Application

The North Dallas Suburban Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., is a public service organization that provides service and assistance to the African-American community in the North Dallas suburbs. The Scholarship Committee of the North Dallas Suburban Alumnae Chapter requests your assistance in identifying students who qualify for our annual scholarship awards. We are seeking candidates who meet the following requirements:

- △ Must be an African-American male or female student
- △ Must be a graduating high school senior
- △ Must attend school and reside in one of the following cities: Addison, Carrollton, Coppell, Dallas, Farmers Branch, Garland, Irving, Mesquite, Plano, and Richardson
- △ Must possess a grade point average of 3.0 or higher (on a 4.0 scale)
- △ Must exhibit leadership abilities and engage in community service
- △ Must have plans to attend an accredited college or university within one year of high school graduation

Attached is an application form that may be forwarded as you deem appropriate. Please note that in addition to the eligibility criteria above, applicants are required to submit:

- △ A non-returnable headshot photo (no larger than 5x7)
- △ A completed, typed application form including a one-page essay
- △ An official transcript including current grade point average and ACT/SAT scores
- △ Two typed letters of recommendation from non-family members, one of which must be from a high school guidance counselor. Each letter should include:
 1. The name, address, and contact information for the reference
 2. The relationship to the applicant and length of time the reference has known the applicant
 3. A description of the applicant's attributes and characteristics
 4. An explanation of the applicant has the perseverance to succeed at the college/university level

All application information should be mailed together, in a single envelope to:

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
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c/o: Scholarship Committee Chair
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Application materials must be postmarked by **April 8, 2018** in order to be considered for a scholarship. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. Selected recipients will be notified via email by April 18th. All recipients will be required to attend the Scholarship Presentation at the Chapter's Emerging Artist Showcase held on Sunday, April 22, 2018.

If you have any questions, please contact Tiffany Gilmore at 214.893.6364.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Pujo, President

Tiffany Gilmore, Scholarship Committee Chair

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Permissions and Release Form for Media and Related Publicity

I, _____, (Parent/Guardian), give permission for my son or daughter, _____, to be photographed, interviewed or videotaped as part of the NDSA Scholarship Program. My signature gives consent to the use of his/her likeness in any publication, educational material, advertising, news media, and World Wide Web (Internet) including all negatives, positives, digital images, and prints shall become and remain the sole property of the NDSA chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and I shall have no right or title to such items. I further understand and agree that these materials may be kept on file and used by NDSA for potential future use. I agree to release NDSA from any and all liability arising from or in connection with the taking, use, publication, or dissemination of such materials. Copies of these photos may be distributed to the parent upon request. We (I) understand that no form of compensation will be provided in exchanged for the use of such material.

Parent/Guardian(s) Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian(s) Signature: _____

Date: _____

Participant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DISCLAIMER

AGREEMENT FOR DISBURSEMENT OF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

I, _____ (Parent/Guardian) acknowledge and understand that the scholarship awards received by the winners will only be disbursed in a payment directly to the university/college identified by the scholarship recipient _____ (Student's Name).

A written request must be received from the scholarship recipient in order to disburse funds. This request must include proof of enrollment/registration, student identification number, and the name and address of the institution where the funds are to be sent. The request must be sent via mail to:

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Scholarship awards must be claimed by April 22, 2018. Failure to request the award will result in forfeiture of the scholarship award. No exceptions.

The North Dallas Suburban Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will forward these funds to the institution upon receipt of the written request and proof of enrollment/registration. The funds will be placed in the student's account with the Financial Aid Office and/or Student Affairs Office or placed in a recognized university/college bookstore account in the student's name.

Applicants may be asked to disclose any other scholarships received prior to awards being made. I recognize and accept these conditions for the disbursement of any scholarship award that my son or daughter may receive.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

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Application Packet Checklist

All of the items below must be included in your packet in order for this application to be considered. Missing any of the items will result in an incomplete application packet. Please review and verify that you have submitted the following:

- ✓ Completed, typed application (signed by applicant and parent/guardian)
- ✓ Official transcript including current grade point average and ACT/SAT scores (should be sealed)
 - *Note: If ACT/SAT scores are not included on the transcript, then an official copy of the scores must be submitted as well*
- ✓ Two (2) typed letters of recommendation from non-family members (should be sealed)
- ✓ A headshot photo (no larger than 5x7)
- ✓ Typed, one-page essay on the topic provided
- ✓ Signed Permission and Release Form for Media and Related Publicity
- ✓ Signed Scholarship Application Disclaimer

****Applications must be postmarked by April 8, 2018****

All application information should be mailed together, in a single envelope to:

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Section I: Applicant Profile

Applicant Full Name:

Street Address / City / State / Zip Code:

Email Address:

**Parent or Guardian Name(s) &
Occupation:**

Phone Number:

**Parent or Guardian Primary Phone
Number:**

**Parent or Guardian Primary Email
Address:**

Section II: Academic Profile

Name of High School:

City / State:

Name of School Counselor:

Phone Number:

GPA (as of March 1st):

Class Rank out of Total

SAT Score:

Class Size: ACT Score:

Expected Graduation Date:

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Section III: Collegiate Goals

Please list in order of preference the top four schools to which you've applied for admission. Include city and state.

What course of study do you plan to pursue?

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Section IV: Involvement

Please describe your volunteer/community service involvement. Include organization name, dates of service, and a description of activities.

Please list any extracurricular involvement. Include organization name, any leadership or offices held, and a description of activities.

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The logo for Delta Sigma Theta is positioned at the top center of the page. It consists of three large, stylized Greek letters: a triangle (Δ), a sigma (Σ), and a circle (Θ). Each letter is rendered in a light red color with a subtle glow effect.

Section V: Essay

Understanding the need for strong leadership, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. promotes educating, encouraging, and assisting African American citizens in choosing solid leaders who will effectively solve the challenges of our communities. In a well-developed essay, explain your view of strong leadership and how it impacts the African American community. Additionally, discuss leadership skills and positions you have held at your school and/or in your community.

Specifications for the essay include:

- Typed
- 12 pt. Times New Roman, Arial, Garamond, Calibri, Cambria, or any other PROFESSIONAL font
- 1" margins on all sides
- Double spaced
- Applicant's full name typed in upper left corner on the first page
- Applicant's last name typed in the upper right corner of all succeeding pages
- 250 to 300 words

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Section VI: Applicant Statement

By submitting this application, I hereby certify that:

- I have met all requirements as outlined and the information provided herein is accurate and current.**
- I acknowledge that any misrepresentation of the information presented may be grounds to rescind the scholarship award if selected.**
- I will use the proceeds of any scholarship aid received for the payment of tuition, required fees, room and boards, and/or required materials only.**
- I agree to the release of official transcript of my grades to the North Dallas Suburban Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**
- I give permission to the North Dallas Suburban Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. to use my name and/or photograph for promotional purposes.**
- I understand that this application packet will be kept confidential and all materials submitted become the final property of the North Dallas Suburban Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**
- If I receive the award, I understand that I must attend the Emerging Artist Showcase hosted by the North Dallas Suburban Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. on Sunday, April 22, 2018 to accept the award.**

Applicant Signature & Date:

Parent/Guardian Signature & Date: