



Sussex County Alumnae Chapter
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

2023-2024
College Scholarship Application

Application Email deadline: April 30, 2024

**Mailed applications MUST be postmarked by
April 29, 2024 and mailed to:**

Sussex County Alumnae Chapter
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 43
Georgetown, DE 19947

For additional information, contact:

Sharon Fisher

scholarshipscadst@gmail.com



Application Check List*

Before emailing/sealing your application, please make sure all items listed below are included:

- Completed and signed scholarship application (signed by applicant and parent/guardian)
- Essay (One-page typed, narrative)
- Two typed letters of recommendations
 - i. One from school (i.e. teacher, counselor or coach) and
 - ii. One from community leader (i.e. pastor, mentor, coach or work supervisor.)
 - iii. Letters may not be written by family members or members of Sussex County Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**
- Official High School Transcript (with numerical value, official signature and sealed in official envelope)
- Disclaimer for scholarship funds disbursement (signed by parent/guardian)

* Any missing items listed above will result in an incomplete package. Incomplete packages will not be considered for an award.



Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is an international public service sorority that is comprised of over 350,000 predominately African American women. Encouraging young men and women to achieve excellence through higher education is a primary focus of our organization. We support this focus by awarding Scholarship Applications to young people who exemplify academic excellence, strong leadership, and community involvement. We are asking all guidance counselors to distribute this scholarship packet to all applicants that meet the minimum criteria (You may make copies as needed). Scholarship applications must be postmarked no later than April 29, 2024. Notification of awards will be made in May 2024.

This scholarship program is for graduating Sussex County high school seniors, only.

- Applicants must be graduating seniors who reside in Sussex County, Delaware.
- Applicants must attend an accredited college, university or post-secondary institution within one year of the award.
- Applicants must have at least a 2.75 cumulative Grade Point Average on a 4.0 scale to qualify for a scholarship award. **Guidance counselors are required to submit an official high school transcript with a numerical value and official signature, by the guidance counselor, and submitted in an official sealed envelope or emailed to scholarshipscadst@gmail.com.**
- Applicants are required to submit two typed letters of recommendation (in a sealed envelope if mailed).

Applicants are required to submit a typed one-page narrative essay explaining why they are deserving of a scholarship and how the scholarship will assist them in achieving their goals.

The essay is an important part of the selection process. **The essay must be double-spaced, Times New Roman 12 point font, one page maximum, with one inch margins on all sides and name typed in the upper right-hand corner of the page.**

In reviewing the essays, the judges will consider the following criteria in selecting winners:

- Creativity
 - Correct use of grammar and punctuation
 - Originality and quality of ideas presented
 - Neatness
 - Ability to adhere to presented topic
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Scholarship Interest Form

Student Profile:

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____

Email Address _____

Academic Profile:

High School Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____ Phone _____

Cumulative Grade Point Average (on a 4.0 scale) _____

Scholastic Achievements:

Extra-Curricular Activities:

Community Service:



References-List two

Name
Address
Phone Number

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Address
Phone Number

All information provided in this package is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____



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 lump sum payment directly to the university/college identified by the applicant (Applicant's Name) _____

Scholarship Award must be claimed within one year from date of award, or it will be forfeited. No exceptions.

The Sussex County Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will forward these funds to the appropriate institution upon receipt of an Official Enrollment Verification Form. The funds will then be placed in the student's account with the Financial Aid Office or Student Affairs Office.

I recognize and accept these conditions for the disbursement of any scholarship award my child may receive.

Parent Signature: _____

Date: _____



INSTRUCTIONS TO BE GIVEN TO REFERENCES

Please have your references submit a typed letter of recommendation for you. These letters should be addressed to Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Sussex County Alumnae Chapter and include the following:

- Name and address of reference
- Relationship to applicant (what capacity do you know the applicant)
- How long reference has known applicant
- Information regarding why applicant should receive the scholarship award
- Any known leadership abilities/capabilities

The letter should be emailed to scholarshipscacdst@gmail.com. If letter **must** be mailed, place in a **sealed envelope** before returning to the applicant. Failure to include all required information listed above will result in an incomplete packet.

Incomplete packets will not be considered for scholarship.



March 16, 2024

Dear Guidance Counselor:

Sussex County Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is offering scholarships in the amount of \$500 to graduating seniors of Sussex County High Schools. The application is attached and completed applications are due by April 19, 2024. Mailed applications must be postmarked by April 19, 2024. The application is an electronic fillable form.

Application Instructions:

1. Complete application electronically, save as a .pdf, and email it to scholarshipscacdst@gmail.com.
2. Email the essay with the application to scholarshipscacdst@gmail.com.
3. Letters of Recommendations should be emailed to scholarshipscacdst@gmail.com (with the application or directly from the person writing the letter).
4. An **Official transcript is required**. Please send transcript directly from the guidance counselor via email to scholarshipscacdst@gmail.com or mail to:
Sussex County Alumnae Chapter
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
Attn: Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 43
Georgetown, DE 19947
5. The Disclaimer should be emailed with the application.

Thank you for your partnership. Please contact me by email at scholarshipscacdst@gmail.com if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Sharon Y. Fisher
Scholarship Committee Chair
Sussex County Alumnae Chapter
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.



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- Relationship to applicant (what capacity do you know the applicant)
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- Information regarding why applicant should receive the scholarship award
- Any known leadership abilities/roles (if applicable)

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Any questions or concerns can be directed to me at scholarshipscadst@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Sharon Y. Fisher
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