

Fairfax County Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., founded in 1913, is a private non-profit organization whose purpose is to provide assistance and support through established programs in local communities throughout the world. A sisterhood of more than 200,000 predominately African American college educated women, the Sorority currently has over 900 chapters located in the United States, England, Japan (Tokyo and Okinawa), Germany, the Virgin Islands, Bermuda, the Bahamas and the Republic of Korea. The major programs of the sorority are based upon the organization's Five Point Thrust of:

Economic Development

Educational Development

International Awareness and Involvement

Physical and Mental Health

Political Awareness and Involvement

The Fairfax County Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, chartered in 1993, will award scholarships to African American female students who demonstrate a high degree of scholarship, leadership, and community service. Applicants must have a 3.0 or higher grade point average on a 4.0 scale. The applicant must be a resident of Fairfax County, Virginia.

The completed application must be postmarked no later than **March 1, 2012 and mailed to:**

Fairfax County Alumnae Chapter
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
Attention: Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 221224
Chantilly, Virginia 20153-1224.

The application may also be found on our web site, www.fcacdst.org

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2011-2012

Please note: An interview will be conducted for the finalist candidates

Name:

Parent/Legal Guardian's Name:

Address:

Home Telephone:

Cell Phone:

Email Address:

School:

GPA:

Citizenship:

Date of Birth:

**Please indicate colleges/universities that you have made application for admission
or to which you will apply:**

Intended major area of study:

Career Goals:

A. RESUME

Please include a resume that demonstrates your involvement in school clubs, service activities/projects or athletics. Highlight leadership roles and responsibilities.

Attach a one-page, double spaced description of the community service project(s) in which you participated during the past year. Include the length of time that you volunteered, how many times you volunteered and how often you volunteered. (Example: I volunteered at the library as a desk attendant for 4 hours the first Tuesday of every month from January 2011 through June 2011.)

B. ESSAY

Include in the application a two to three page essay from the topics below. The essay **must** be doubled spaced using a 12-point font.

1. America is going through what some may consider an education crisis, lagging behind other nations. African-American males appear to be affected the most. If you had a brother or male best friend who is not planning to attend college, describe what you would do or say to him and why?
2. Most people belong to many different community groups defined by (among other things) shared geography, religion, ethnicity, income, cuisine, interest, race, ideology, or intellectual heritage. Choose one of the communities to which you belong, and describe that community and your place within it.
3. What effect has any voluntary or independent research, reading or study, work in the arts, science project, etc. (outside of school), had on your intellectual and personal growth in recent years? Discuss what influence this involvement has had on your academic and/or career goals.
4. A journalist once said: "No one has the right to sit down and feel hopeless. There's too much work to do." Reflect on these words and describe what is "the work to be done" for your generation, and what impact does this have on your future as a leader?

C. RECOMMENDATIONS

One letter of recommendation must accompany the application in a sealed envelope with the author's signature across the seal. The letter **must** be on official letterhead and may be from a teacher, employer, a volunteer supervisor, school counselor, principal, or vice principal. A relative may not write the letter.

D. TRANSCRIPT

Please include in the application an **official** transcript. Submit the transcript in a sealed envelope with the signature of the school official across the envelope seal. The guidance counselor or career center specialist can assist you with this requirement.

