



2018 POWER OF WORD

Scholarship



Scholarship Application Packet

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.”

~Nelson Mandela



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The Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Sigma Omega Zeta Chapter is accepting scholarship applications from Clayton or Henry County private and public high school students who will be graduating in the spring of 2018. Applicants are required to submit the following information in order for their package to be considered:

1. Completed scholarship application form.
2. An official high school transcript.
3. One Letter of Recommendation (Academic, Community or Church related)
4. A copy of the college or university acceptance letter

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- Applicant must be graduating from an accredited secondary educational institution.
- Applicant must have applied and been accepted for admission into at least one (1) accredited institution of higher learning for the Fall 2018 academic term.
- Applicant must have at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA.
- The applicant must reside in Clayton or Henry County and attend a Clayton or Henry County private or public high school.

QUALIFYING COMPETITIVE FACTORS

Please carefully read the requirements of this application. Applicants must be a female graduating senior from an accredited high school in Clayton or Henry County, GA. **The completed typed application and all the supporting documents must be postmarked by March 10, 2018.** Please use the checklist below to be certain that you have included all required documentation.

You must pay close attention to spelling, grammar, and punctuation. Applications received **after** the postmark date will not be considered, and handwritten applications will be automatically disqualified.

**Send applications, transcripts and essays to:
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc Sigma Omega Zeta Chapter
Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 454
Rex, GA 30273**

[Incomplete applications will not be accepted. All application materials must be postmarked by March 10, 2018.](#)



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Organizational History

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated was founded January 16, 1920, on the campus of Howard University by five illustrious women. These women were dedicated to the principles of scholarship, service, sisterly love, and finer womanhood. These women shared the simple belief that sorority elitism and socializing should not overshadow the real mission for progressive organizations – to address societal ills, prejudices, poverty, and health concerns of the day. Since its inception, the Sorority has chronicled a number of firsts: Zeta Phi Beta was the first Greek-letter organization to charter a chapter in Africa; to form adult and youth auxiliary groups; to centralize its operations in a national headquarters; and to be constitutionally bound to a fraternity, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated. Zeta's national and local programs include endowment of its National Educational Foundation, community outreach services, and support of multiple affiliate organizations.

Sigma Omega Zeta Chapter History

Sigma Omega Zeta chapter was chartered in March 14, 2003 by twelve distinguished members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. In the quest of establishing the chapter, one of the chapter's goals was to establish and sponsor an undergraduate chapter. In this endeavor, Sigma Omega Zeta was instrumental in helping the Sorors of Iota Sigma chapter on Clayton State University's campus get their start. Sigma Omega Zeta participates annually in the March of Dimes' March for Babies[®] and the Zeta's Stork's Nest, as well as other community service events. Since the inception of Sigma Omega Zeta, the sorors continue to uphold the principles of Zeta: Finer Womanhood, Service, Sisterly Love, and Scholarship.



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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last Name			First Name			Middle Name		
Street Address				City		Zip Code		
Telephone Number (include area code)			Name of High School					
Cumulative Grade Point Average or GED Average				Are you available for an interview on Saturdays between 2PM and 5PM?				
				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO				

Please include major community service activities:(please describe your involvement in these activities during high school)

Please list key awards and achievements during high school.



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Please list extra-curricular activities and/or work experience during high school.

Describe one positive attribute about yourself.

Describe briefly why you believe you should receive this scholarship.



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Describe briefly your future educational plans and career goals.

Describe briefly what knowledge you have about Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

Application Completion Checklist

Only completed applications will be accepted. Feel free to use this checklist to ensure you have included all necessary information and materials.

- ✓ Completed application.
- ✓ **Copy of college or university acceptance letter.**
- ✓ **One** Letter of Recommendation (Academic, Community or Church related)
- ✓ Included official unopened high school transcript.
- ✓ All application materials included. NO EXCEPTIONS.
- ✓ Postmarked by **March 10, 2018**.

SIGNATURE

DATE



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SCHOLARSHIP RECOMMENDATION FORM

(Please type or print legibly)

Applicant's Name: _____

This applicant has applied for a Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated Sigma Omega Zeta Chapter scholarship. Please provide a letter of recommendation regarding this student's character, attitude, community involvement or any other pertinent information you wish to include. ***(This page can be photocopied for more than one reference, or use a blank sheet of paper.)***