

**Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated
Long Beach Alumnae Chapter**

2018 – 2019 Scholarship Application

Dear Applicant:

The journey now begins. I'm so happy that you decided to take the first step in bettering your future by applying for college and this 2018-2019 scholarship from the women of Long Beach Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. We couldn't be prouder of you and the choices you are making to be the change you want to see in the world. Our goal is to assist African-American students in their pursuit in post-secondary education.

The Long Beach Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated serves the greater Long Beach area of Long Beach, Lakewood, Signal Hill, Paramount, Seal Beach, Bellflower and Los Alamitos. Our programs and service projects stem from the sorority's Five-Point Programmatic Thrust: Economic Development, Educational Development, International Awareness and Involvement, Physical and Mental Health, and Political Awareness and Involvement.

Each year the Long Beach Alumnae Chapter awards academic scholarships to graduating and transferring students in the Long Beach Alumnae service area (*listed above*).

An applicant should attend a high school in Long Beach Unified School District (LBUSD), Long Beach, Lakewood, Signal Hill, Paramount, Seal Beach, Bellflower or Los Alamitos; or be a community college student residing in the Long Beach Alumnae service area transferring to a regional accredited four-year college/university in the Fall 2019 semester; or an active participant in the Long Beach Alumnae Chapter's educational programs including: Delta G.E.M.S. or 2015 – 2016 E.M.B.O.D.I. Selection will be based on the applicant's completed application, academic excellence, financial need and recommendations. Please refer to the eligibility section on page 2 for all the requirements.

One winner will receive the **Martha Dauway Scholarship**, which honors a charter member of our chapter who placed great value on education and community service. The scholarship is designed to recognize a student's commitment to community service and giving to others. You must be able to demonstrate a passion and commitment to public service and show proof of service hours.

If you are selected, the scholarship winner and guardian must be available to attend our *Visions of H.O.P.E.* awards and scholarship luncheon on Saturday, April 27, 2019. Also, if selected, please note that the scholarship award will be contingent upon our receipt of proof of your enrollment at a four-year institution.

All applicants must submit a completed application packet including essay, letters of recommendations and photograph received no later than **January 10, 2019**. Thank you for your interest in the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Long Beach Alumnae Chapter's scholarship. Continue to be the change you wish to see in the world!

Respectfully,

Dominique R. Bell

*President
Long Beach Alumnae Chapter
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
"I am, was, and always will be a catalyst for change!" -Shirley Chisholm*

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Scholarships are focused on assisting African American high school seniors or a community college student in the Long Beach Alumnae Service area who will enter an accredited four-year college/university in the Fall 2019 semester. One scholarship will be awarded in honor of Charter member, Martha Dauway, to the eligible recipient that has demonstrated a high level of community service.

ELIGIBILITY

An applicant should:

1. Attend a high school in Long Beach Unified School District (LBUSD), Long Beach, Lakewood, Signal Hill, Paramount, Seal Beach, Bellflower or Los Alamitos **OR**
2. Be a community college student transferring to an accredited four-year college/university in the Fall 2019 semester **OR**
3. Be an active participant in the Long Beach Alumnae Chapter educational programs including: Delta G.E.M.S. or E.M.B.O.D.I.
4. Have at least a B (3.0) grade point average on a four-point (4.0) scale.
5. Show need of financial assistance to continue his/her education.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

The applicant must complete and submit all of the following:

1. The scholarship application with photograph (passport or wallet size photo only)
2. An official copy of his/her most recent high school or community college transcript – including Fall 2018 semester grades
3. Two-page autobiographical statement (typed on 8 ½ X 11 paper, no more than two pages)
4. Two (2) recent signed letters of recommendation on official organizational letterhead– one (1) must be from school personnel (department head, counselor, teacher, or administrator), and one (1) from a religious or civic leader, employer, or volunteer supervisor, who will speak to the character of the applicant.

DEADLINE

ENTRIES MUST BE MAILED AND RECEIVED NO LATER THAN TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2019 TO:

DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.

Long Beach Alumnae Chapter

ATTN: Scholarship Committee

P.O. Box 91623

Long Beach, CA 90809-1623

SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS

1. Recipients will be selected by the Scholarship Committee on or before February 2, 2019. Selection will be based on the applicant's written application, letters of recommendation and financial need.
2. If selected, recipients must attend the Long Beach Alumnae Visions of Hope Fundraiser on Saturday, April 27, 2019 as well as attend a recipient's video shoot.
3. Scholarship money is released after official proof of registration in a four (4) year College/University is provided (no later than October 31, 2019).

We thank you for interest in the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Long Beach Alumnae Chapter's Scholarship. If you need additional information, please contact Azana King or Lisa Benbow at (844) 378-5222 ext. 2205 or by email scholarships@lbadst.org.

**DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.
LONG BEACH ALUMNAE CHAPTER
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Please provide the following information (type or print legibly).

Name _____ Gender _____
High School _____ Date of Graduation _____
Address, City, Zip Code _____
Telephone Number _____ Alternate Telephone Number _____
Date of Birth _____ Email Address _____

Parent/Guardian Information:

Name(s) _____
Address, City, Zip Code _____
Telephone Number _____
Email Address _____
Occupation _____

Name(s) _____
Address _____
Telephone Number _____
Email Address _____
Occupation _____

ESSAY

On a separate sheet of paper, answer the following questions.

Please type and attach to your application an autobiographical statement that includes:

- 1. Your community service and or volunteer experience. Please include the number of hours served**
- 2. Your extracurricular activities. Please identify any leadership roles you may have held**
- 3. Your work experience**
- 4. College and career goals**
- 5. Any special circumstances**

The statement should be no more than two pages. (Double Space, Font size 12, Times New Roman only).

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Please provide the following information.

College/University _____
Have you been accepted to attend? ____ Yes ____ No
Intended field of study _____

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FINANCIAL NEED

What do you anticipate your financial need will be for the academic year? Please include estimates on room, board, tuition, fees, etc. _____

What other financial assistance do you anticipate (i.e. family, student loans, grants, scholarships, etc.)? _____

List dependent children living at home and their respective ages:

Name(s)	Age(s)
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

List siblings who presently attend a college/university:

Name(s)	College/University
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

What is your family's estimated gross income?

Income should include employment, SSI, FIA, Alimony, Child Support, Disability, other

- a. More than \$0 – but less than \$ 15,000 _____
- b. More than 15,001 but less than \$ 30,000 _____
- c. More than 30,001 but less than \$ 50,000 _____
- d. More than 50,001 but less than \$ 75,000 _____
- e. More than 75,001 but less than \$100,000 _____
- f. Greater than \$100,001 _____

REFERENCES

Two (2) recent signed letters of recommendation on official organizational letterhead— one (1) must be from school personnel (department head, counselor, teacher, or administrator) and one (1) from a religious or civic leader, employer, or volunteer supervisor, who will speak to the character of the applicant.

Name _____ Occupation _____
Address _____
Telephone Number (Day) _____ (Evening) _____
Email Address _____

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STATEMENT OF TRUTH AND AUTHORIZATION

I affirm that the information provided by me in this application is truthful and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Any information determined to be incorrect or untruthful can influence the status of my application and may disqualify me from the Long Beach Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. scholarship process.

I also understand that if I am chosen as a recipient of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Long Beach Alumnae Chapter Scholarship I must provide evidence of enrollment and registration at a regional accredited, higher education institution before scholarship monies can be awarded. I also understand that failure to do so by the deadline date of October 31, 2019 may forfeit my scholarship award.

I give the Long Beach Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. permission to use my photo as a promotion and/or in program brochures to advertise its scholarship program.

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

All of the following are included in my scholarship application packet:

- _____ 1) Completed and **signed** application by applicant and parent or guardian if under the age of 18
- _____ 2) Essay (two-pages; double spaced)
- _____ 3) Two (2) Letters of Recommendation on official letterhead
 - One must be from school personnel
 - One must be from religious or civic leader, employer, or volunteer supervisor
- _____ 4) Official Transcript
- _____ 5) Passport or Wallet size picture (attached below)
- _____ 6) Current college/university letter of enrollment (if you are a mid-year high school graduate or a transferring community college student)

If you have additional questions or need additional information, please contact Azana King or Lisa Benbow at (844) 378-5222 ext. 2205 or by email scholarships@lbadst.org.

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**DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.
LONG BEACH ALUMNAE CHAPTER
ATTN: Scholarship Committee
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**Application must be RECEIVED no later than
Thursday, January 10, 2019.**

Attach picture here.