

Bellevue Alumnae Chapter DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.

January 1, 2024

Dear Applicant,

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated was founded on January 13, 1913, by 22 collegiate women at Howard University to promote academic excellence and aid those in need. The Founders of Delta Sigma Theta envisioned an organization committed to sisterhood, scholarship, service, and social action. Currently, Delta Sigma Theta has clearly expanded into more than courageous women, with over 350,000 initiated women and over 1000 chapters located worldwide.

As a sisterhood comprised primarily of Black, college-educated women, the Sorority seriously considers the issues impacting the Black community and boldly confronts the challenges of African Americans and, hence, all Americans. Over the years, a wide range of programs addressing education, health, international development, and the strengthening of African American families have evolved. The major programs of the Sorority are based upon the Five-Programmatic Thrust: Economic Development, Educational Development, International Awareness, and Involvement, Physical and Mental Health, and Political Awareness and Involvement.

The Bellevue Alumnae Chapter (BAC) is the 800th chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. It was chartered on January 28, 1989, seventy-six years after the founding of the first chapter in Washington, DC. We envision a community that embraces and empowers the skills, talents, and abilities of every person of color, enabling them to reach their full potential. We are dedicated to making this vision by developing and engaging in programs aimed at educating and uplifting the Eastside community, with a primary focus on people of color, fostering greater resilience within the community. We serve the Eastside community, which spans from the eastern shores of Lake Washington, reaching as far north as Bothell and as far south as Auburn and Federal Way.

We award scholarships as part of our commitment to ensure that future generations of women who are primarily of African descent continue to pursue higher educational goals. Applicants must reside in King County (excluding Seattle). BAC will award (2) \$1500 scholarships to a candidate who exemplifies outstanding leadership, academic excellence, and community service.

All scholarship application packages should be postmarked no later than Friday, May 31, 2024. Please note that late applications will not be considered for the scholarship. For further information, please contact Trinity Chandler, Scholarship Committee Chair at <u>educationBACDST@outlook.com</u>.

Respectfully,

Eva Edwards BAC President Trinity Chandler Chair, BAC Scholarship Committee

Eva Edwards President

Lavonne Bryan Shari Watts Vice President Treasurer Tracy Brown Financial Secretary

Yvonne Brandon Recording Secretary

Anitra Jones Corresponding Secretary

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SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

- Attend an accredited college, university, or community college in the fall of the year following high school graduation
- Submit documentation demonstrating community service involvement
- Be a female (preference will be given to candidate of African descent)
- Be a citizen of the United States
- Be a graduating high school senior
- Have a 2.75 cumulative grade point average or above
- Express a financial need
- Complete application and submit all required information as one package by the application
- Deadline of 11:59 PM on Friday, May 31, 2024
- Child or grandchild of any Bellevue Alumnae Chapter member are not eligible to apply

NOTE: The winner will be required to submit a photo, signed media release and brief biography within 48 hours of notification.

IMPORTANT - Awards will be paid to the college/university during the first year following the winners' high school graduation or the scholarship will be forfeited.

Failure to complete <u>ALL</u> requirements of the application process will result in your disqualification for consideration.

TO BE CONSIDERED THE APPLICANT MUST SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING

1. Complete the attached application packet which must include the following:

- A. Scholarship Application
- B. Sealed Official high school transcript must be emailed to <u>educationBACDST@outlook.com</u> from your **high school counselor**
- C. Resume
- D. Letter of Recommendation (1) on **official organization letter head** from a community leader who is **not** a family member. Examples of community leaders can be found in churches, Girl Scouts, United Way etc.
- E. Letter of Recommendation (1) on **official school letter head** from your high school counselor, teacher, or administrator
- F. Typed essay

2. Submit the completed application packet **only by email by 11:59 PM on Friday, May 31, 2024** to: <u>educationBACDST@outlook.com</u>.

Please direct questions to the scholarship chair at: educationBACDST@outlook.com

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ΔΣΘ 2021-22 Scholarship Bellevue Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Please read the entire form before completing. Please type (Double spaced, Typewritten, Max 12pt font) or write legibly using blue or black ink.

Applicant Contact Information

Last Name, M.I., First Name, Phone Number, Email

Address, City, State, Zip, Code

High School / Overall GPA

Employer (If Applicable) – City, State, Zip

Parent or Guardian Contact Information

Parent or Guardian, Address, City, State, Zip

Email, Phone Number

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Email, Phone Number

List the name(s) of the Colleges or Universities to which you have been accepted

Name, City, State, Phone Number

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Volunteer Community Service

List volunteer and community service activities, you have participated in over the past 4 years (include current and past activities; indicate leadership positions held if applicable). Attach additional sheets if needed.

Organization, Contact Name, Phone Number, Dates of Service

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Extra-Curricular Activities:

List activities you have participated in over the past 2 years (include current and past activities). Attach additional sheets if needed.

Organization, Activity or Club Advisor, Phone Number, Dates Involved

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Scholarships, Awards and/or Honors

List all that you have received in the last four years (include dollar amount of any scholarships listed, attach additional pages if necessary)

Essay

Typed essay (500 to 800 words) which includes one paragraph on each of the following:

- Your strongest asset
- Career path and why chosen
- Your plan for meeting financial needs for college
- Elaborate on the committee service you listed on the application (i.e., what did you learn? What impact did it have on you? etc.)

Question

How did you hear about our scholarship?

Check the appropriate box with an	"X":	website	email	other	

Signature

By signing below, I agree that all information included in the scholarship application packet is true to the best of my knowledge.

Student Signature

Date

Parent / Guardian Signature