



DELTA GEMS ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP \$250.00

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Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. was founded on January 13, 1913 on the campus of Howard University by twenty-two collegiate women. These women wanted to use their collective strength to promote academic excellence and provide assistance to persons in need. Each year our organization recognizes hundreds of students across the nation for their scholastic achievements. Delta's Growing and Empowering Me Successfully (GEMS) program focuses on strengthening the skills of African-American female teenagers. The Knightdale-Wake Forest Alumnae Chapter will award one scholarship to a deserving, African-American female student. Applicants must meet the following criteria:

The candidate must be a current, African-American female high school senior, current and active member of Delta GEMS, entering as a freshman at an accredited college, university, technical or community college with at least a 2.75 or unweighted equivalent grade point average (GPA). Awards are made on a competitive basis. Students must have an overall 2.75 GPA and must have maintained at least a 2.75 GPA throughout her senior year of high school. Candidate **must attend a high school in Knightdale-Wake Forest (KWF) Alumnae Chapter's Service Area (East Wake, Heritage, Knightdale, Millbrook, Wakefield, and Wake Forest-Rolesville).**

For additional information about the KWF Alumnae Chapter Delta GEMS Academic Scholarship, contact Ms. Nikki Marshall, Chair, Scholarships and Awards at nmarshall4@gmail.com or (919) 623-1052. You may also visit our website at <http://www.kwfalumnae-dst.org> for an application and additional details.

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SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA

AWARD: The award recipient will receive **\$250.00** for the academic year for undergraduate study.

**SELECTION
CRITERIA:**

- * Satisfactory academic progress (**2.75 GPA** or above) Unweighted
- * African-American Female Graduating High School Senior
- * Entering freshman or first year student (according to credit)
- * Must attend high school in KWF Alumnae service area
- * Active Delta GEMS participant (attended at least 4 sessions)
- * Completed 300 word essay
- * Community Service Involvement
- * Accepted for admission to an accredited college, university, technical or community college (not on a conditional basis) for the upcoming semester (Fall 2012)
- * One (1) sealed letter of recommendation; must be from a school Official (i.e., principal, teacher, school counselor, etc.) **Cannot be a relative of the student**
- * **Official** high school transcript (sealed)

HOW TO APPLY: Applications are available in the school's Student Services Department and on our website at <http://www.kwfalumnae-dst.org>. Mail all completed applications to:

KWF Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
Attn: Scholarships and Awards Committee
PO Box 1359
Knightdale, NC 27545

NOTE: Deadline for submission is April 6th with the award to be announced by May 12th. **Applications postmarked after the April 6th deadline will not be considered.**

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Scholarship Application

PERSONAL INFORMATION
(Please type or print in black or blue ink.)

Name: _____
Last First Middle Initial

Address: _____
Street or Post Office Box Number

_____ City State Zip Code

County: _____ Telephone Number: () _____

Date of Birth: MM/DD/YY _____

E-mail address: _____

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

Name of High School: _____

Address: _____
Street or Post Office Box Number

_____ City State Zip Code

High School Class Rank: _____ Grade Point Average: _____

School Involvement/Activities: _____

Have you applied for admission to a college/university/technical/community college or other institution of higher learning? Yes No

Have you been accepted? Yes No

Expected date of enrollment: _____ (month/year)

Intended Major/Course of Study: _____

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Name of Organization/Agency: _____

Address: _____
Street or Post Office Box Number

_____ City State Zip Code

Contact Person: _____ Telephone Number: _____

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ESSAY

On a separate sheet of paper, please type a 300 word essay on one (1) of the three topics listed below. You will be assessed on your ability to communicate your thoughts. Your essay should be double spaced and attached to this sheet. It should also include your name at the top of the sheet. Be sure to indicate an "X" by the topic that you select.

- (1) What is the value and importance of volunteerism and community service in our society?
- (2) Should employers be allowed to refuse your hire based on your Facebook, Twitter, YouTube content? Why or Why not?
- (3) Should every voter be required to show valid state-issued identification? Why or Why not?

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CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. If I am granted this scholarship from the Knightdale-Wake Forest Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. I hereby certify that:

- I have read and accepted information provided by the selection committee.
- I give the KWF Alumnae Chapter permission to verify information submitted within the scholarship application.
- I will be a full-time student at a college, university, technical/community college in Fall 2012.
- I will use the proceeds of this scholarship only for the payment of tuition and required fees for room and board and similar living expenses, for institutional equipment, materials, books, and for other approved expenses.

_____	_____
Date	Signature of Applicant

ENDORSEMENT OF PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S)

(Required for all applicants)

I have read the application and hereby state that the applicant is applying for the Knightdale-Wake Forest Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Delta GEMS Scholarship with my knowledge and approval.

_____	_____
Date	Print Name/ Signature of Parent/Guardian

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FINAL CHECKLIST

Before you mail your application packet, be certain that you have included the following items:

- A completed application
- 300 word essay
- Official transcript (sealed)
- One (1) letter of recommendation (sealed) signature on seal
- Copy of acceptance/admission letter

Return all materials to: KWF Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
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APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY April 6, 2012!!!