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Dillon-Marion County Alumnae Chapter

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated

PO Box 1455

Marion, South Carolina 29571

March 1, 2025

Dear Applicant,

Each year Dillon-Marion County Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated assists students in our service area in attaining their goal for post-secondary education through our annual scholarship program. The Dillon-Marion County Alumnae Chapter will award four \$1000.00 scholarships, two in Dillon County and two in Marion County, respectively. Applications for the 2024-2025 academic year are now being accepted.

Below is additional information regarding eligibility requirements and the application process.

2024-2025 Scholarship Information:

Scholarships will not be awarded based solely on academic excellence.

ELIGIBILITY

An applicant should:

- Be a high school African American senior female within the service area of Dillon and Marion Counties, South Carolina.
- Have at least a **B** grade point average on a four-point scale.
- Show evidence of worthy character, promise and leadership qualities.
- Show need of financial assistance to continue her education.
- Plan to enroll in a four (4)-year or a two (2) year technical school.
- Complete the online application.

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS

- Completed online application.
- Include essay on given topic.
- An uploaded head-shot photo dressed in professional attire. Smart phone photos are acceptable. (JPEG and PNG files preferred)
- A current high school transcript including Fall 2024 semester grades. The committee will contact the high school to verify.
- Two (2) letters of recommendation*:
 - One from a counselor, teacher, or administrator and/or
 - One from a religious/civic leader, employer, or volunteer supervisor, who will vouch for the character of the applicant.

^{*} LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION CANNOT BE FROM A FAMILY MEMBER

SUBMISSION DIRECTIONS

- 1. Complete the online application at your convenience. You can save your progress and return to submit it when you're ready.
- 2. Download, print, and upload the Photo Release Forms. Sign the application in blue or black ink (parent and applicant signatures).
- 3. Submit by 11:59 PM on March 23 2025.

SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS:

Selection will be based on the applicant's application, academic excellence, essay and interview.

- The Scholarship Committee will review the applications to determine eligibility for an invitation to interview.
- Eligible applicants are required to attend a scheduled virtual interview. Professional attire is required for the virtual interview.
- Selected scholarship winners will receive the one-time distribution of the scholarship award in the Fall semester, contingent upon the chapter's receipt of proof of enrollment at a four-year or a two-year institution.
- Scholarship recipients will be recognized on the chapter's website and social media platforms.
- School counselors will be notified so that students will be recognized at their individual Awards Day Program.

Please save the following dates:

March 22, 2025 Deadline for applications to submitted by 11:59 PM

April 16-17, 2025 Interviews for Eligible Dillon and Marion County Applicants

April 23, 2025 Scholarship Winners Announced

If you have any questions, please email Matrell E. Sturkey at cbwscholarshipdmca@gmail.com.

Best Wishes,

Matrell E. Sturkey,

Scholarship Committee Chairperson

Ora Susan Hughes,

Ora S. Hughes

President