

ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INC.

Sigma Mu Zeta Chapter

Stone Mountain, GA



2018-2019

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PACKET

[HTTP://WWW.SIGMAMUZETA.ORG/](http://www.sigmamuzeta.org/)

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, Zeta has continued its steady climb into the national spotlight with programs designed to demonstrate concern for the human condition both nationally and internationally. The organization has been innovative in that it has chronicled a number of firsts. It was the first National Pan-Hellenic Council organization to centralize its operations in a national headquarters, first to charter a chapter in Africa, first to form auxiliary groups, and first to be constitutionally bound to a fraternity, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated. The sorority takes pride in its continued participation in transforming communities through volunteer services from members and its auxiliaries. Zeta Phi Beta has chartered hundreds of chapters worldwide and has a membership of 100,000+.

Zeta's national and local programs include the endowment of its National Educational Foundation community outreach services and support of multiple affiliate organizations. Zeta chapters and auxiliaries have given un-totaled hours of voluntary service to educate the public, assist youth, provide scholarships, support organized charities, and promote legislation for social and civic change.

Sigma Mu Zeta Chapter History

Sigma Mu Zeta Chapter was chartered on December 20, 2001 by seven distinguished members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated. The chapter's mission is to enhance the community by focusing on the Sorority's principles, encouraging proactive participation, and showing persistence in all endeavors, while fostering the spirit of sisterhood and promoting the ideal of Finer Womanhood. Our many community service projects include March for Babies and American Cancer Society. Sigma Mu Zeta Chapter has partnered with DeKalb County District 13 Commissioner Larry Johnson on several projects in the community and most recently C.H.O.I.C.E – The Center Helping Obesity in Children End Successfully (First Lady Michelle Obama's project).

The Sigma Mu Zeta Scholarship Program

To honor the principle of Scholarship, Sigma Mu Zeta Chapter annually offers scholarships to graduating high school seniors who have been accepted to institutions of higher education. This year, we are pleased to offer four (4) \$1000.00 scholarship awards to four (4) deserving graduating high school seniors in the **DeKalb County School System**.

GUIDELINES

Applicants can be male or female and must be a graduating high school senior from an accredited high school in Dekalb County, GA.

All materials listed in this packet must be submitted at the same time in one packet.

All materials must be **postmarked** by **March 30, 2019**. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

Only one copy of required materials is necessary. Do not staple your application materials. Please use paperclips only.

The names of recipients of scholarships administered by Sigma Mu Zeta will be listed in the chapter's annual report, on the website, and may be included in other promotional materials.

Mandatory meeting for top ten applicants on April 14, 2019.



Send Completed Packets To:

**Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
Sigma Mu Zeta Chapter
P.O. Box 136
Stone Mountain, GA 30086**

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

General Information

Applicant's Name: _____

Applicant's Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____

Phone Number: _____ Applicant's Email: _____

Applicant's Birthday: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Phone: _____

School Information

Name of High School: _____

CORE GPA (must be 2.75 or better on a 4.0 scale): _____

Please attach a resume that must include:

1. Honors or special recognition(s) you have received for your schoolwork or extra-curricular activities.
2. Names of clubs, organizations and/or community activities (scouts, youth groups, church involvement, etc.). Include dates of service/participation and any office(s) you may have held.

Have you been accepted to a college/university? If so, please list below:

Are any of your immediate family members of a Greek-letter organization? If so, please list below:

Mandatory Essay Question:

There are many challenges that the youth in America will have to face as adults. From your perspective, what is the most critical issue your generation faces? Why is this critical and how would you resolve this issue?

****Note:** Please attach the following items to this application:

1. Mandatory Essay
2. A letter of recommendation from a school official on official letterhead
3. A personal (non-family) letter of recommendation
4. An **official** High School transcript. Must be **sealed** or application will be disqualified.
5. Individual photo of yourself (no selfies accepted)
6. Resume

Information Certification: (Initial Each Line)

I meet the eligibility requirements for each scholarship for which I am applying.

The application is complete.

The information on this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

The essay I submit is my original work.

By signing this form, I authorize Sigma Mu Zeta Chapter to use this application and any supporting documents for promotional purposes.

Applicant's Signature

Parent/Guardian's Signature
If under 18, parent/guardian must sign

Date

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN: March 30, 2019
KEEP A COPY OF THE APPLICATION AND ALL ATTACHMENTS FOR YOUR RECORDS

MAIL THE COMPLETED APPLICATION AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS TO:

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