



Pasadena Alumnae Chapter DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.

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Dear Applicant:

The Pasadena Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated is a public service organization comprised of college-educated women committed to the constructive development of its members and to public service with a primary focus on the Black community. The major programs of the Sorority are based upon the Five-Point Programmatic Thrust: economic development, educational development, international awareness and involvement, physical and mental health, and political awareness and involvement. In order to foster educational development, academic awards are presented annually to African American students and students of African descent residing or attending school in Pasadena, Altadena or Sierra Madre.

Candidates for academic awards will be selected based on academic performance, community and school activities, letters of recommendation, an essay, and an interview score. All information provided is confidential. The application form for a 2025 academic award can be found on the Pasadena Alumnae Chapter website at www.dstpasadena.com under the Programs tab. All applications **MUST be completed electronically, printed, signed, scanned, and along with other required documents, emailed by 2/21/25** to academicawards.dstpac@gmail.com.

Awards Information

Awards are made via check payable to the recipient. Pursuant to regulations, recipients must submit a completed W-9 Form prior to receiving the award check.

Eligibility Criteria for Merit Awards

1. African American student or student of African descent;
2. Resident of Pasadena, Altadena or Sierra Madre or a student of a Pasadena, Altadena, or Sierra Madre high school;
3. Student graduating from high school in 2025;
4. GPA of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale (unweighted); and
5. Acceptance to a four-year college or university.

Eligibility Criteria for Pyramid Awards

1. African American student or student of African descent;
6. Resident of Pasadena, Altadena or Sierra Madre or a student of a Pasadena, Altadena, or Sierra Madre high school;
2. Student graduating from high school in 2025;
3. GPA of 2.5 or above on a 4.0 scale (unweighted);
4. Acceptance to a four-year college/university, a community college, or a career/technical education school/program.



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Instructions

Please go to www.dstpasadena.com under the Programs tab and open the application form. Complete the form electronically, print it, obtain the necessary signatures, and scan the completed application. The applicant must include all required documents and a photograph as listed below, and email the entire application packet to academicawards.dstpac@gmail.com with the applicant's name in the subject line, **no later than February 21, 2025**.

Application Requirements

The application packet must include the following documents and photograph:

- Completed and signed **typed** application;
- Essay (typed, double-spaced);
- **ONE** letter of recommendation, **on official letterhead**, and signed by **school** personnel (e.g., school administrator, teacher, counselor, coach);
- **ONE** letter of recommendation, on letterhead and signed, from a **community** person (e.g., organization sponsor, employer, minister, neighbor— **NOT** school affiliated, **NOT** a relative);
- Official high school transcript(s) **including cumulative GPA** emailed from school registrar to academicawards.dstpac@gmail.com with the applicant's name in subject line; and
- Recent photograph

If all of the above submission requirements are met, the applicant will be invited for an interview. The interview is a mandatory component of the selection process.

Please email the completed application packet to: academicawards.dstpac@gmail.com with the applicant's name in the subject line.

The completed application packet must be RECEIVED no later than Friday, February 21, 2025. Incomplete, hand-written, or late applications WILL be disqualified without further review.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Mrs. Denise Jones at academicawards.dstpac@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

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Denise Jones

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