# MONTGOMERY COUNTY (MD) ALUMNAE CHAPTER DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.

2024 - 2025

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION** 







### **DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.**

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is an organization of college-educated women committed to the constructive development of its members and to public service with a primary focus on the Black community. Information about the National Organization of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. may be found at <a href="www.deltasigmatheta.org">www.deltasigmatheta.org</a>. Information about the local chapter, Montgomery County (MD) Alumnae Chapter (MCAC), is available at <a href="www.mcacdst.org">www.mcacdst.org</a>.

### **SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

The Montgomery County (MD) Alumnae Chapter Scholarship Program was created to provide financial assistance to students who reside and attend school in Montgomery County, MD, and contribute their skills and talents towards the improvement of the community. The Scholarship Program has the following types of scholarships, which are described below:

### 1. County-Wide Scholarship

The County-Wide Scholarship was established to provide financial awards to high school students who have excelled in their academics.

### 2. MCAC Educational Program Scholarship

The MCAC Educational Program Scholarship was established to provide financial awards to high school students who have participated in a MCAC Educational Program for a minimum of two consecutive years.

### 3. Career/Vocational/Technical Scholarship

The Career/Vocational/Technical Scholarship was established to provide financial awards to individuals who want to advance their education/skill set by enrolling in a career/ vocational/technical program. These programs are traditionally described as those that focus on specific vocational skills needed within certain occupations.

# **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

Please note that you may apply for more than one scholarship type.

Requirement	MCAC Educational Program Scholarship	Career/ Vocational/ Technical Scholarship	County-Wide Scholarship
Residency	Resident of Montgomery County, Maryland	Resident of Montgomery County, Maryland	Resident of Montgomery County, Maryland
Student Status	High School senior of a Montgomery County, MD school, graduating the academic year in which the scholarship is being awarded	High School Diploma or a General Education Development (GED) Diploma	High School senior of a Montgomery County, MD school, graduating the academic year in which the scholarship is being awarded
School/ Program Type	Apply to a two or four- year college or university, and enroll as a full-time student	Apply to an accredited career / vocational / technical school, and enroll as a full-time student	Apply to a two or four-year college or university, and enroll as a full-time student
GPA	Minimum Scholastic Average of a 2.0 G.P.A. on a 4.0 scale	Latest transcript of academic record with a minimum Scholastic Average of a 2.0 G.P.A. on a 4.0 scale	Minium Scholastic Average of a 2.5 G.P.A. on a 4.0 scale
Additional Requirements	Educational Program Participant for a minimum of two consecutive years with MCAC	N/A	N/A

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## **APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

To be considered for a scholarship, a completed application must be uploaded using the following Jotform link: **Submission Form**. The completed application and all supplemental documents must be uploaded by **February 28**, **2025**, **at 11:59 pm**. Applications and/or supplemental documents received **after** February 28<sup>th</sup> **will not** be considered.

Your completed application package **must** include the following:

1. Scholarship Application Form

**Note:** The application form must be signed and dated by both the applicant and parent or guardian.

#### 2. Letter of Recommendation

A letter of recommendation must be written and signed by a teacher or counselor at the applicant's school. The letter must be on the school's letterhead and include the length of time the teacher or counselor has known the applicant and in what capacity. Comments should include references to the applicant's scholastic achievements, maturity, motivation, interpersonal skills, and verbal and written communication skills. It should also include the contact information for the teacher or counselor.

**Note:** If applying for the MCAC Educational Program Scholarship, this letter must be written by the Chair/official leadership of the MCAC Educational Program in which you participated.

**Note:** If applying for the Career/Vocational/Technical Scholarship, this letter can be written by an individual of the selected career/vocational/ technical school.

The letter of recommendation should be uploaded with the application via the Jotform.

### 3. Community Service Form

A community service form must be signed by a community service organization representative where the applicant volunteered. The form must include active involvement to benefit the organization and/or community.

The community service form should be uploaded with the application via the Jotform.

- 4. An official high school transcript or an official General Education Development (GED) Diploma is required. It should be uploaded with the application via the Jotform.
- 5. Two separate 300 500 word essays on the following topics must be submitted by the applicant via the Jotform:

- (a) Community Service Essay
  - Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is an organization committed to public service. What contributions have you made for the betterment of your community through volunteer service? How has your service impacted you? How will you use your further education to impact your community?
- (b) Personal Essay
  - County-wide Scholarship Applicant: What are your specific academic and career goals and why? How will obtaining a scholarship and furthering your education help you to achieve your goals?
  - MCAC Educational Program Scholarship Applicant: Explain the personal impact the MCAC Educational Program had on your personal development and academic enrichment.
  - Career/Vocational/Technical Scholarship Applicant: Explain your career goals and what has influenced your career path.

**Note:** The essays must be typed and will be evaluated based on content, grammar, and presentation.

- 6. Submit a high-resolution, digital color head shot image of the applicant dressed in business or graduation attire. The photo will be used to identify the applicant.
  - Include your name in the file name of the photo.
  - Provide a signature in the "Photo Release" section of this application to approve use
    of the photograph, if selected, in the MCAC announcement of scholarship winners and
    featured in a scholarship brochure, video, social media accounts or the MCAC
    website.

Please note all information in the application is confidential. Once submitted, the application becomes the property of the Montgomery County (MD) Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

The MCAC Scholarship Committee will review all completed applications submitted electronically by **February 28**, **2025 at 11:59pm**. Applicants selected to continue in the process will receive correspondence from the Montgomery County (MD) Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Scholarship finalists must participate in an interview to receive further consideration. Award recipients will be notified in April 2025.

If there are any questions or concerns, please contact the Scholarship Committee via email at <a href="mailto:scholarship@mcacdst.org">scholarship@mcacdst.org</a> or by phone at (240) 491-0275.

### STUDENT APPLICANT SECTION

# **PERSONAL INFORMATION (please print or type)**Please complete all information on this page.

Name of Student (Last, First, Middle Ini	Date of Birth (MM/DD/YY)	
Permanent Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Home Telephone Number	Cell Phone Number	
Email Address		
Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s)		

# **SCHOOL INFORMATION** (please print or type)

Name of High School	City/State	Zip Code
School Counselor Name		Counselor Phone Number
Expected Graduation Date (MM/DD/YY)		Cumulative GPA
GED Graduation Date (MM/DD/YY)		Cumulative GPA

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# **SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION (please select one or more)**

County-Wide Scholarship
MCAC Educational Program Scholarship
Career/Vocational/Technical Scholarship

### **COUNTY-WIDE/ MCAC EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS**

### **COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY**

List all colleges / universities to which you have applied. Place an asterisk next to the colleges / universities where you have been accepted.

College / University	College / University
College / University	College / University
Intended Major / Career Interest	

### CAREER/VOCATIONAL/TECHNICALSCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

### CAREER/VOCATIONAL/TECHNICAL

List all career / vocational / technical training schools to which you have applied. Place an asterisk next to the schools where you have been accepted.

Career/Vocational/Technical School	Career/Vocational/Technical School
Career/Vocational/Technical School	Career/Vocational/Technical School
Indicate the Career/Vocational/Technical In	nterest:

# PROFESSIONAL AND / OR EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Please provide professional and / or extracurricular activity details.

Activity / Organization Name	Type (Work, Volunteer, Social / Recreation)	Roles / positions held	Years of participation (Grades 9,10,11,12)	Timing of participation (all year, school breaks, ad hoc)	Number of hours spent per week	Number of weeks spent per year

### **COMMUNITY SERVICE FORM**

**Applicant's Name** 

Please complete the form below describing community service performed. The form must be signed by a representative of the organization in which the applicant volunteered.

Organization's Name
Organization's Purpose / Mission
Length of time the applicant has been involved with the organization
Applicant's Involvement: Describe your role(s) and responsibilities with the organization. Include the impact and benefits your involvement had on the organization and/or community.
ORGANIZATION CONFIRMATION
Organization Representative's Name
Role / Position
Phone
Email
CERTIFICATION
By signing below, you affirm the information provided is true and complete to the best of your knowledge.
Organization Representative's Signature Date

# **APPLICANT CHECKLIST**

Scholarship Application	
Transcript	
Letter of Recommendation	
Community Service Form	
Two Essays (Community Service and Personal)	
Professional / Extra Curricular Activity List	
Individual Digital High-Resolution Color Photograph	
PHOTO RELEASE SECTION	
PHOTO RELEASE As the parent/guardian of the applicant, I give permission to the Montgomery Co Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. to use photographs of my child/w publications, internet website, social media platforms, and other promotions to educate and solicit support for their programs. I will hold harmless and indemnify MCAC from liability that may arise from the use of the photographs and for the purposes stated.	rard in their the public
Parent/Guardian's Signature Date	
Parent/Guardian's Email Address	
Parent/Guardian's Email Address  STUDENT APPLICANT and PARENT/GUARDIAN	
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STUDENT APPLICANT and PARENT/GUARDIAN  CERTIFICATION  By the signature below, you affirm all information you provided is true, complete (to your knowledge) and you are not the parent, child, or sibling of a member of the M County (MD) Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Submission of income	ontgomery