

# **Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.**

## **State of Mississippi**

### **2010 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (Graduate and Undergraduate)**

#### **CHECKLIST FOR SUBMITTING THE APPLICATION PACKAGE**

*Your application should be assembled in the following order:*

1. The official application form completed and signed.
2. The criteria statement, written by the applicant, of no more than two doubled spaced typed pages.
3. The goals paragraph
4. Three (3) Reference Letters
5. Supplementary materials (no more than three pages.)
6. Official transcript (please follow specific instructions on page 4.)

# OFFICIAL APPLICATION FORM

This form and the complete application guidelines can be photocopied. This form by itself IS NOT a complete application package. See page 5 for "Instructions for Completing the Application Package."

All Information must be printed or typed.

## Part I - Personal Information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

College/University Attending: \_\_\_\_\_

College/University Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone #: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Classification \_\_\_\_\_ Undergraduate \_\_\_\_\_ Graduate: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Cumulative Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_

Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name:

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Siblings: No. \_\_\_\_\_ Age(s): \_\_\_\_ Your Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

When did you become a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.?

(Month/Y ear) \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

What chapter? \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Office(s) Held: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Active: \_\_\_\_\_

Inactive: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Basileus: \_\_\_\_\_

Advisor's  
(Undergraduates ONLY)

Activities	9 <sup>th</sup> Grad	10 <sup>th</sup> Grad	11th Grad	12th Grad	College	Leadership Positions	Honors
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**Describe the community activities you are involved in:**

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**Institutional or Organizational Affiliation(s)**

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Request an official copy of your transcript to be mailed to the address below.

Mail this completed application form, three letters of recommendation, criteria statement, goals paragraph and official transcript to:

Part II = Criteria Statement (*Please use a separate sheet*)

Part III: Goals / Career Paragraph (*Please use a separate sheet*)

Part IV - References: Letters from each of these adults must be included in the package.

Reference letters may not be written by the applicant or any person related to the applicant.

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First and Last Name (Friend/ Teacher/Counselor)	Association with the student
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B.

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First and Last Name (Friend/ Teacher/Counselor)	Association with the student
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C.

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First and Last Name (Friend/ Teacher/Counselor)	Association with the student
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Part V - Grade Point Average Verified (*To be completed by school official only*)

I certify that the above-named applicant has a cumulative Grade Point Average of \_\_\_\_\_ on a 4.0 scale for the \_\_\_\_\_ semester.

(Please list the semester and the year

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**Name (Printed or Typed)**

**Signature**

Official School Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part VI. Applicant Certification**

I certify that all information on this application and contained in this application package is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**For Official Use Only**

Date                      Completed                      Application                      Package                      Received:

*WHY A ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INC. SCHOLARSHIP AWARD?*

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. awards scholarships in recognition of Sorors who exhibits excellence in many areas of their lives, inclusive of academics. The state scholarship program is targeted to graduate and undergraduate Sorors to assist the winners in achieving their educational goals.

*WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THE ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY SCHOLARSHIP?*

Any financial (national, regional, state or local) graduate or undergraduate SOROR who:

1. Is enrolled in a public or private college or university in Mississippi.
2. Has attained a 3.5 cumulative G.P.A. (grade point average) on a 4.0 scale for the previous academic semester or can show that she is in dire NEED of the scholarship in order to continue her education or training.
3. Has NOT received the scholarship before.

4. Is registered at the Mississippi State Leadership Conference.

ALL SORORS MEETING THE ABOVE QUALIFICATIONS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SUBMIT THEIR APPLICATION FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP.

#### WHAT IS THE ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY AWARD?

The Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Scholarship Program consists of a state scholarship awarded to assist sorors in continuing their education at a college or university.

Two categories of awards are available:

- A. GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale
- B. Financial NEED

#### *WHAT CRITERIA ARE USED FOR THE NEED AWARD SCHOLARSHIP?*

Zeta Phi Beta Award recipient are granted scholarships based on many areas of their lives. While students must show that they are serious about continuing their education by maintaining high academic standards and describing their future career plans, they should demonstrate accomplishment in three of the areas listed below:

**Special Talent:** working with people, music, skill with one's hands, mathematical, aptitude, athletic ability, public speaking, etc.

**Leadership:** can be shown in the applicant's personal community or academic life.

**Obstacles Overcome:** the achievement of a goal despite struggles, barriers or challenges that may stand in the way.

**Community Service:** volunteer work done in addition to usual chapter membership requirements.

**Unique Endeavors:** special creative or challenging activities that are undertaken. Memberships in clubs alone do NOT qualify as unique endeavors.

## *HOW IS THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD RECIPIENT SELECTED?*

The scholarship award recipient is selected at each Mississippi State Leadership Conference by a committee of registered sorors. The committee bases their decisions on the information contained in the applicants' completed application package.

### **IMPORTANT PROGRAM DATE:**

February 15, 2010 is the  
FINAL DEADLINE for receipt of all application package

### *INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE APPLICATION PACKAGE.*

- A. **The Application Form** - ALL information on the Official Application Form must be fully completed. *The form may be copied.*
- B. **The Criteria Statement** - Applicants will be judged based on the criteria listed on page 1, "What criteria are used for the Scholarship Award?" A statement, written by the applicant must address three of the five criteria: Special Talents, Leadership, Obstacles Overcome, Community Services and Unique Endeavors. The format of the statement must be in paragraph form. The statement must be machine printed and no longer than two double-spaced pages.
- Goals paragraph** - In addition to the statement addressing the three criteria, the student must describe her future career goals and how receiving this scholarship award will help achieve those goals. The goals paragraph must be no longer than 200 words, clearly titled, "Goal Paragraph," machine printed, and must follow as a separate page attached to your two pages Criteria Statement.
- C. **Other required Documents** In addition to your completed and signed application form, your criteria statement and goals paragraph, the completed application package also must include the following:
- Three Reference Letters- three adults, not related to the applicant, must each write a letter of reference which validates the information presented in the applicant's two page Criteria Statement. Letters must be included with the completed application package.

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- An Official Transcript of grades showing the required GPA. It must clearly show a cumulative GPA of at least 3.50 or a 4.0 scale. This document must have an official signature and/or school seal. (The applicant may send a student's copy of the transcript; however, the committee must have an official transcript before she can be recommended as a scholarship recipient). The sealed and signed transcript **MUST** accompany the applicant package. In addition, the applicant's GPA must be verified by a school official in Part V on the applicant form.

**NOTE:** IF THE APPLICANT IS APPLYING UNDER CATEGORY B: FINANCIAL **NEED**, AN OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT IS REQUIRED FOR VERIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT AND CUMULATIVE GPA BUT NOT FOR THE 3.5 GPA SCHOLARSHIP AWARD. IN ADDITION, THE GPA MUST BE VERIFIED BY A SCHOOL OFFICIAL IN SECTION V OF THE APPLICATION FORM.

- D. **Optional Supplementary Materials-** Supplementary materials may be submitted with the other required documents in your application package. These materials may include such items copies of additional recommendation letters, news clippings, pamphlets or other materials which will support the application. All materials submitted will become property of the Mississippi State Leadership Conference and will not be returned. We urged you to send legible photocopies of all supplementary materials.

Please enclose your completed application package in one envelope and mail it on or before the **February 15, 2010** deadline to:

**Barnie A. McGee**  
**State Director**  
**P.O. Box 13345**  
**Jackson, MS 39211**