

General Scholarship APPLICATION

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated Omega Mu Zeta Chapter

Mail to:
Mrs. Maxine Robinson
2 Gary Court
Somerset, New Jersey 08873

December 19, 2019

Dear Applicant:

On behalf of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Omega Mu Zeta Chapter, we would like to congratulate you on this very important milestone in your life. Presently, in our seventh year, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Omega Mu Zeta Chapter would like to offer a graduating female senior of African descent, attending a four (4) year college/university, who meet academic and leadership criteria, a non-renewable academic scholarship. A few of the qualifying criteria are as follows: must reside and (or) attend school in our service area of Middlesex County and/or have a parent who is member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Omega Mu Zeta Chapter, and/or be a member of Omega Mu Zeta Youth Auxiliary. All applicants must have a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.5, and demonstrate leadership through extra-curricular activities and community service. You must be available to attend an interview during the week of *March 22 through March 28, 2020*. Also, all scholarship winners MUST attend the Zeta Youth Rocks Awards Ceremony on Saturday, *May 30, 2020*.

Zeta Phi Beta, Inc. is an international, historically black Greek-lettered sorority founded by five women at Howard University who's founding principles are Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood, and Finer Womanhood. We value education and scholarship dearly. The process of deciding how you would like to continue your education and choosing a college, can be an overwhelming task. With this in mind, the Ladies of Omega Mu Zeta Chapter, are presenting you with an opportunity to apply for **one of five general scholarship awards** to be used towards tuition, books and supplies.

The completed application along with the required documents noted on the checklist enclosed must be **POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN Sunday, February 9, 2020.** Applications that are submitted late and/or incomplete will not be considered – NO EXCEPTIONS. Please make sure that you have read and understand all the guidelines of the scholarship application. If you are chosen to receive one of the scholarships, your Guidance Counselor will be notified. An official letter from Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Omega Mu Zeta Chapter will be sent to your current address. Only scholarship recipients will be notified. Again, congratulations on your decision to pursue higher education, and we pray you have much success in your future.

Please read the guidelines and instructions carefully. If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to email Mrs. Maxine Robinson, Scholarship and Educational Programs Committee Chair at omz2vpmr@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Maxine Robinson, Omega Mu Zeta Scholarship Committee Chairperson

Linda Robinson, Omega Mu Zeta Chapter President

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ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INC. OMEGA MU ZETA CHAPTER GUIDELINES FOR 2019 -2020 ACADEMIC YEAR ANY APPLICATION NOT MEETING THESE GUIDELINES WILL BE DISQUALIFIED

- 1. This scholarship is for a **graduating female senior of African descent** attending a four (4) year college/university, attending a high school and(or) reside in our service area of Middlesex County and/or the daughter of a Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc Omega Mu Zeta Chapter member and/or Omega Mu Zeta Youth Auxiliary member.
- 2. Only **completed applications** will be reviewed. If sections of the application are not applicable to you, please note it by answering "N/A."
- 3. Please include your complete permanent mailing address, phone number and email address (*if applicable*) on the application. Parents must provide permanent mailing information as well.
- 4. Current headshot photo, preferably graduation picture.
- 5. Submit TWO (2) letters of recommendation, one from a non-relative (friend, neighbor, minister, etc.) and another from a current or recent administrator or teacher. Letters must be current, dated, and include original signatures.
- 6. **Proof of Community Service** and **number of hours completed** (includes certified documentation from community organization ie. certified letter, certificate, or school transcript of service). **You cannot just list your hours, we need official proof**
- 7. Submit current transcript with official school stamp, embossed seal, or authorizing signature of school official. Transcript should include current GPA, Class Rank, and ACT/SAT score.
- 8. Submit current **2019-2020** semester/cycle grades.
- 9. **Proof of acceptance** to a four (4) year college/university.
- 10. Submit a typed personal essay between 500-750 words which include ALL of the following:
 - 1. Why should you be considered to receive the general scholarship
 - 2. What have you done so far to benefit your community
 - 3. Your intended major in college, and how will you use your college education to benefit your community in the future
 - 4. Name at least one person and or event that has influenced you the most in your life and why

- 11. For High School Official Use Only Your guidance counselor/home school administrator must complete the section at the bottom of the application requesting GPA, rank, and SAT/ACT score information.
- 12. All recipients will be sent 1 parent/guardian ticket to "Zeta Youth Rocks" event on Saturday, May 30, 2020. Any additional ticket (s) will cost \$30. You must attend the event in order to receive the scholarship. All scholarship winners who do not attend will forfeit their scholarship.
- 13. The application must be **completed and postmarked** to the **Scholarship Committee**Chairperson c/o Maxine Robinson 2 Gary Court Somerset, NJ 08873 no later than

 March. 2020. All applications must contain all enclosures and be mailed in one packet
 only. Applications that are submitted late will not be considered.

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A qualified scholarship is any amount you receive as a scholarship or fellowship grant that is used according to the condition of the grant for:

- 1. Tuition and fees required to enroll in, or to attend, an educational institution, or
- 2. Fees, books, supplies, and equipment that is required for the courses of instruction at the educational institution.

SECTION I – Contact Information (please type or print neatly) Student First Name: _____ Student Last Name: _____ Student Address: _____ Email Address: _____ Contact Number____ Parent Name: Parent Email: Contact Number **SECTION II** – High School Information High School Name: Counselor Name _____ Contact Number____ Please list any high school activities in which you have participated: Please list any awards and/or honors that you have received: **SECTION III** – Community Service Please list of all community service/volunteer activities in which you have participated, along with the number of hours and official proof of community service. (Attach list, if needed) **SECTION IV** – Seal of Application I have fully read and understand the guidelines of this application. If for some reason I am not able to fulfill the request of participating with the "Zeta Youth Rocks" I will forfeit this scholarship. Student Signature Parent/ Guardian's Signature

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Have your High School Guidance Counselor/Home School Administrator complete this section. GPA _____ # of Graduating Seniors____ Rank ____ Highest SAT/ACT Score _____ (GPA is computed on a _____ scale) School Official Print Name School Official Signature Title Date