



ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INCORPORATED
THETA ALPHA ZETA CHAPTER
PO Box 30226 | Rochester, New York 14603

2015 Scholarship Application

HISTORY

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated is a community conscious, action-oriented organization established January 16, 1920 in Washington, D.C. This non-profit organization, formed on the campus of Howard University, consists of 100,000 predominately African-American women. The Sorority was founded on the principles of Scholarship, Community Service, Sisterly Love, and Finer Womanhood. Zeta Phi Beta is dedicated to fostering the continuous education of young people. For more information, please visit www.zphib1920.org.

THETA ALPHA ZETA CHAPTER

Theta Alpha Zeta is one of the Rochester Graduate Chapters of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated. Theta Alpha Zeta has been active in the community for 40 years. The Chapter presents annual scholarships to college-bound high school seniors and to date, Theta Alpha Zeta has awarded over \$100,000 in scholarship funds.

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Scholarship recipients will be selected based on their scholastic aptitude, academic performance, community involvement, extracurricular activities, demonstrated leadership skills, and essay responses.

- *The Maxine Gooden Scholarship*: Applicants must have a minimum of a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 grading scale
- *Theta Alpha Zeta Scholarship(s)*: Applicants must have a minimum of a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 grading scale

APPLICANT CRITERIA

All applicants must:

- Currently be enrolled as a high school senior
- Plan to attend an accredited college or university in the 2015/2016 school year
- Possess a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or above

APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply, please complete the scholarship application in full. Please provide:

- An official high school transcript (sealed)
- A completed essay
- A color photograph (8 x 10 or smaller)
- Two completed reference forms meeting the following criteria (forms are enclosed with this application):
 - One reference form completed by a Counselor or a current Teacher
 - One reference form completed Employer, Community Leader, Minister, or Mentor

Please note: Incomplete applications will be disqualified. Award recipients must provide proof of acceptance and enrollment into an accredited institution of higher learning to Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc, Theta Alpha Zeta Chapter before the scholarship money is awarded.

All Scholarships Materials must be completed in its entirety and submitted to:

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

Theta Alpha Zeta Chapter

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Rochester, New York 14603

APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY February 28, 2015

Thank you for applying!

III. FUTURE PLANS

Please list the college(s) to which you applied (in order of preference)

<i>Name of College</i>	<i>Location (City, State)</i>	<i>Accepted (Indicate Yes or No)</i>
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

What is your intended major? _____ Intended minor (if any)? _____

IV. REFERENCES

Please list the names of the two individuals that you have requested references from:

Name	Title	Address	Telephone

V. ESSAY QUESTIONS

All essays should be typed, 250 to 500 words in length, and 12pt Times New Roman. Please answer one of the following questions:

- What is your most significant contribution to the Rochester community and explain how it has influenced your development?
- What are your educational goals? How will being the recipient of this scholarship assist you in accomplishing your goals?
- Describe how you have demonstrated leadership ability both in and out of school?

VI. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

A. Please estimate your annual household income (Please circle one)

- A. under \$30,000 B. \$30,000-49,999 C. \$50,000-74,999 D. 75,000 and above

B. College Expenses:

Tuition and Lab Fees	
Room	
Board	
Other	
Total (Estimated Expenses)	

Tuition and Lab Fees	
Scholarships and other Resources Received	

Loan(s):

Grants (PELL, T.A.P, Liberty)	
Veteran Benefits	
Other	
Total (Estimated Resources)	

C. Please list immediate family residing with you:

VII. INTERVIEW

Part of the application process includes an interview. If selected as a finalist, we will contact you for an interview date and time. Please select the days that will work best for you.

- Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday
 Friday Saturday Sunday

I affirm that the above statements are true to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____
Signature of Parent/ Guardian: _____ Date: _____

WANT MORE INFORMATION?

For more information on Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, please visit our International website at <http://www.zphib1920.org>, or contact Theta Alpha Zeta Chapter via email at rochesterzetas@hotmail.com or via mail at

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Please comment briefly on the following points relating to the applicant’s qualifications:

Character: Overall assessment of personality, poise, and distinguishing traits.

Scholastic Performance: Assessment of the applicant’s academic performance, such as grades, test scores, rank in class, etc., if you have such information.

Leadership: Assessment of the applicant’s capability to take on responsibility and command situations when needed.

Initiative: Assessment of applicant’s ability to be self-starter, develop ideas, begin projects.

Please feel free to use a separate page and/or attach to this form any comments regarding the qualities of the applicant that may not already be covered.

Signature: _____ Title: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Name of applicant _____

Please mail reference form by **February 28, 2015** to Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc., Theta Alpha Zeta Chapter
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