

Dear Graduating Senior,

The Inglewood Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. (IAC) is proud to offer annual scholarships to African American high school students who are pursuing higher education. Most of our scholarships are not restricted to any specific field of study and may be used for any academic discipline. Our mission is to support the advancement of African American youth, helping them transition into mainstream America by opening doors to a broad range of professions, while instilling a strong sense of dedication to public service.

We are currently seeking high school seniors of African American descent, who either live in or attend school within the City of Inglewood, and who plan to enroll in a four-year college or university in the fall of 2025. Applicants must demonstrate academic excellence, exhibit outstanding leadership potential, and show proof of participation in community service activities. All who meet these eligibility requirements are encouraged to apply.

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is a global organization founded on Christian principles, with a focus on sisterhood and public service. As a public service sorority, we are committed to upholding high standards of morality and scholarships among women. With over 350,000 predominately African American, college-educated women across more than 1,000 chapters worldwide, including Japan, Europe, Jamaica, and the Republic of Korea, our commitment to service reaches far beyond the local level.

We look forward to supporting your academic journey and wish you the best in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

The 2024-2025 Scholarship Committee Inglewood Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.



ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be considered for a scholarship award, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Residency & School Enrollment.
 - Δ Be a high school senior of African American descent who lives in and/or attends school in the City of Inglewood.
- 2. Application Form.
 - Δ Complete the Inglewood Alumnae Chapter Scholarship Online Application.
- 3. Personal Statement.
 - Δ Upload a personal statement (Word of PDF format; maximum 750 words, [2-3 typed pages], double spaced, Times New Roman, 12pt font). The personal statement must respond to one of the following prompts. Please type the prompt number at the top of your document.
 - Prompt 1: Describe the world you come from (e.g., your family, community, or school) and explain how your environment has shaped your dreams and aspirations.
 - o Prompt 2: Describe an experience that either demonstrates your character or helped to shape it.
 - Prompt 3: Share a personal quality, talent, accomplishment, contribution, or experience that is important to you. Explain what makes this quality or accomplishment meaningful and how it reflects the person you are today.
- 4. Photo.
 - Δ Upload a recent photo of yourself, such as a senior portrait, cap and gown photo, or headshot. Selfies and photos with filters are not acceptable. The file should be in JPEG format and no larger than 25MB.
- 5. Letters of Recommendation.
 - Δ Upload two (2) Letters of Recommendation (Word or PDF format).
 - One (1) must be from a high school guidance counselor, teacher, or principal.
 - One (1) must be from a community service representative.
 - Δ Letters of Recommendation must be typed, on official letterhead, and should not come from family members. They should be from individuals who can speak to



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your character, leadership ability, commitment to community service, and/or academic achievements.

- 6. Academic Requirements.
 - Δ Have a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, or 4.0 on a 5.0 scale.
 - Δ Submit an official high school transcript in a sealed envelope with an official stamp, or have the transcript emailed directly from the school counseling office.
 - The address on your transcript must match the address provided on your application.
 - Transcripts must include final fall grades (if available).
- 7. Interview.
 - Δ Qualified applicants will be invited for an interview, scheduled in March 2025. Participation in the interview is MANDATORY.
- 8. Scholarship Presentation & Disbursement.
 - Δ Scholarship recipients will be recognized at our Scholarship Awards Brunch.
 - Scholarship awards will be disbursed in September 2025, upon verification of enrollment in a four-year college or university.

DEADLINE:

- Δ All application materials must be submitted by 11:59pm PST on February 28, 2025.
- Transcript must be **postmarked** by **February 28, 2025**.
- Δ Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

Mail Transcript to: Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Inglewood Alumnae Chapter Scholarship Committee P.O. Box 881855 Los Angeles, CA 90009

If you have any questions, please feel free to email us at: <u>scholarship@iacdst.org</u>.



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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECK LIST

Please review the checklist below to ensure all required documents have been correctly submitted:

- ✓ Did I complete the online application?
- Did I upload a recent photo of myself?
- Are my letters of recommendation on official letterhead and signed with contact information?
- Did I upload (1) letter of recommendation from a high school guidance counselor, teacher, or principal, and (1) letter of recommendation from a community service representative?
- Did I electronically sign and date my application?
- Did I click submit and receive a confirmation of receipt?
- Did I mail an official high school transcript in a sealed envelope (never opened) with an official stamp, or email the transcript directly from my school's counseling office?

IMPORTANT DEADLINE:

- Δ APPLICATION AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 11:59 PST ON FEBRUARY 28, 2025.
- TRANSCRIPT MUST BE POSTMARKED BY FEBRUARY 28, 2025.
- Δ PLEASE NOTE: LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.

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