



# Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated

*"One Zeta....Unified....Mobilized....ZetariZed!"*



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Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the General Scholarship from the Eta Omicron Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated. The sorority was founded on the principles of Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood and Finer Womanhood. Both, Eta Omicron Zeta Chapter and the national organization, are dedicated to the advancement and progress of women pursuing higher education.

It is important that, before you submit your application, you take a moment to read the Scholarship Qualifications Packet, which is attached. Your completed application, along with all supporting documentation, must be received no later than March 1, 2021 at 11:59 p.m. (EST). All scholarships shall be subject to the rules outlined in the Scholarship Qualifications Packet. Any incomplete applications will not be considered.

Scholarship recipients will be notified of the Scholarship Committee's selection on or about March 15, 2021. Eta Omicron Zeta Chapter will award the scholarships at its virtual scholarship event, which is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, April 10, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. (EST) (if awarded, the scholarship recipient must be present at the Live Scholarship Presentation). Additional details regarding the virtual event will be provided upon notification of selection. Proof of enrollment is required no later than June 30, 2021. Please note that the scholarship funds will not be disbursed until the recipient provide proof of enrollment at an accredited college, university, or technical school.

Thank you for your application. On behalf of the ladies of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated, Eta Omicron Zeta Chapter, we wish you much success in all your future endeavors.

With sincere appreciation,

*Charlene Bathelus*

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*Eta Omicron Zeta Chapter*

*Plainfield, NJ 07060*

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## **GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFICATIONS**

### **QUALIFICATIONS: APPLICANT MUST BE:**

- A female high school senior;
- A resident of Union County or Upper Middlesex County:
  - **Union County:** Berkeley Heights, Clark, Cranford, Elizabeth, Fanwood, Garwood, Hillside, Kenilworth, Linden, Mountainside, New Providence, Plainfield, Rahway, Roselle, Roselle Park, Scotch Plains, Springfield, Summit, Union, Westfield, Winfield
  - **Upper Middlesex County:** Carteret, Colonia, Dunellen, Edison, Iselin, Metuchen, New Brunswick, North Brunswick, Piscataway, South Plainfield, Woodbridge
- Planning to obtain a Bachelor's Degree, Associate's Degree or a Certificate from an accredited college, university, technical or trade school; and
- Have a minimum GPA of 2.80.

### **A COMPLETED Scholarship Application Packet Is Due No Later Than MARCH 1, 2021 and MUST include the following:**

- Completed Application. (Please proofread your application and ensure each section is complete)
- A Picture of the Applicant.
- Official High School Transcript from each high school you attended.
- (1) Letter of Recommendation. (Your letter of recommendation must be completed and signed by a teacher, guidance counselor, church leader, employer, or other reference who can attest to your character, work ethic, and/or extracurricular activities. (Recommendations may not be completed by family members.)
- Parent/Guardian's 2019 tax return(s). (The tax return(s) should reflect the adjusted gross income of all contributing household members. Please redact all Social Security Numbers before submission.)
- 300-500 word essay. (Please refer to the topics listed in the application.)

**\*\*ALL Scholarship Applications must be submitted electronically to:**

**<https://www.dropbox.com/request/QthYaZ2tCSyYbTnh5iJZ>**.

**Mailed applications will not be considered.\*\***

**NOTE:** Upon review of each application, an applicant may be invited for a virtual interview at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee. The applicant will be notified of the interview-at least 5 days prior to the interview date. A link for the interview will be provided.

*Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood, Finer Womanhood, Since 1920*



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## General Scholarship Application

Please Type or Print all information

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE #: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH: \_\_\_\_\_

RACE/ETHNICITY: (Please check one)

- African American    African or Caribbean    Asian    Caucasian  
 Hispanic    Native American    Other (Specify) \_\_\_\_\_

### A. FAMILY INFORMATION

Parents /Guardian's Name (Mother): \_\_\_\_\_

Parents /Guardian's Name (Father): \_\_\_\_\_

If either parent is deceased, specify which one: \_\_\_\_\_

If either parent/guardian does not reside in your household, please provide their (City & State):

How many people reside in your household? \_\_\_\_\_  
(Including yourself)

How many people under the age of 24 will be attending college in 2021-2022?  
(Name the person(s) and schools)

Do you have any relatives who are members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated?  
(If so, indicate her name and relationship to you)

Do you have any relatives who are members of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated?  
(If so, indicate his name and relationship to you)

**B. FINANCIAL INFORMATION** - Submit 2019 Tax Return(s) for ALL contributing members

Annual Household Income: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any resources that are available to you other than scholarships and your parent/guardian's contributions (savings accounts, gifts, etc.)

Source: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please list any extraordinary expenses aside from your college expenses:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**C. CURRENT SCHOLASTIC INFORMATION**

Name of high school you are currently attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_ Rank or Percentile in class: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list academic honors and/or honor society membership and date(s):

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**D. COMMUNITY SERVICE INVOLVEMENT**

(Use a separate sheet of paper if necessary)

List the names of any organizations you volunteered at during the past four years, including any volunteer work, position(s) held, and date(s) of involvement:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**E. EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

(Use a separate sheet of paper if necessary)

List the names of any organizations, clubs, teams, etc. you were involved in during the past four years, including any position(s) held and date(s) of involvement:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**F. WORK EXPERIENCE**

(Use a separate sheet of paper if necessary)

Name and address of current employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Position held: \_\_\_\_\_ from: \_\_\_\_\_ to: \_\_\_\_\_

Name and address of previous employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Position held: \_\_\_\_\_ from: \_\_\_\_\_ to: \_\_\_\_\_

**G. EDUCATIONAL ASPIRATIONS**

Please indicate the college/university/technical school you plan to attend in Fall 2021:

(if no decision has been selected, please indicate N/A)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address of school: \_\_\_\_\_

What is the estimated cost for tuition, room, board, fees, etc? \_\_\_\_\_

What degree/technical training do you expect to obtain upon graduation?  
\_\_\_\_\_

**H. SOCIAL MEDIA HANDLES** – Please list all your social media handles

Facebook: @ \_\_\_\_\_

Snapchat: @ \_\_\_\_\_

Instagram: @ \_\_\_\_\_

TikTok: @ \_\_\_\_\_

Twitter: @ \_\_\_\_\_

**I. PLEASE WRITE A SHORT ESSAY ON ONE OF THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:**

(300-500 words typed, double spaced - Please select the essay topic you have chosen)

1. Discuss an issue of personal, local, national, or international concern and its importance to you.
2. Given your personal background, how would you bring diversity to your college community or field of study?
3. How have you been a role model to people in your community?
4. How has the place where you've grown up impacted who you are?
5. What have you been able to overcome due to COVID-19?

**J. SIGNATURES**

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_