



2023 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION GUIDELINES

APPLICATION DEADLINE: APRIL 15, 2023

The **Baltimore County Alumnae Chapter (BCAC)** of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will award a limited number of scholarships to academically meritorious students based upon available public service funds. Scholarship awards may range from Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) to Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500) per academic year.

This application may be used for **either** of the following two (2) scholarships.

L.E.A.D. Scholarship: The BCAC **Leadership & Educational Achievement Development (L.E.A.D.) Scholarship** was established to supplement expenses incurred while a student attends an HBCU and may be awarded to an eligible applicant for up to five (5) consecutive academic years.

Eligibility Requirements:

- A. Submit a completed BCAC Scholarship Application in its entirety along with supporting materials.
- B. Acceptance into a four-year historically black college or university (HBCU)
- C. 2023 high school graduate
- D. Reside or attend a school in Baltimore County, Maryland
- E. Possess and maintain a 2.75/4.0 GPA (or its equivalent)
- F. Provide proof of enrollment and maintain continuous enrollment at an HBCU.
- G. Maintain criteria for scholarship renewal:
 - i. Minimum cumulative 2.75/4.0 GPA or its equivalent
 - ii. Proof of a full-time course load during each semester
 - iii. Proof of registration for the next semester at a HBCU

Memorial Scholarship: The BCAC **Memorial Scholarship** was established to commemorate the lives of BCAC members who made significant contributions to the community. This scholarship is intended to help supplement one (1) year of expenses incurred while a registered student attends a college or university.

Eligibility Requirements:

- A. Submit a completed BCAC Scholarship Application in its entirety along with supporting materials.
- B. Acceptance into an accredited four-year college or university for one academic year
- C. 2023 high school graduate
- D. Reside or attend a school in Baltimore County, Maryland
- E. Provide proof of enrollment at a four-year college or university

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Complete and upload a **signed on-line** scholarship application along with the following items:
 - A copy of the applicant's complete high school transcript.
 - A copy of the applicant's SAT and/or ACT scores are **optional**. If provided, bonus points may be awarded.
 - Letter(s) of acceptance from an accredited four-year college or university. (If applying for the L.E.A.D. scholarship, the acceptance letter must be from a HBCU).
 - Three (3) letters of recommendation typed **on official letterhead** from the list of persons identified on the application form, **excluding relatives**, who have personally interacted with the applicant (e.g., through supervision, instruction, and/or coaching) and can attest to the applicant's character and/or abilities.
 - Typed essay (500 – 750 words).
 - Supplemental documents must include the applicant's full name at the top.
- Retain a copy of application materials for your records.

SELECTION & NOTICE OF AWARD RECIPIENTS: Selections will be based on the applicant's overall academic progress, extracurricular activities, leadership skills, and participation in community activities. BCAC will notify applicants of the results of the selection process in writing.

REVOCAION OF AWARD: BCAC reserves the right to revoke any scholarship award at any time if the applicant falsifies information or fails to meet or maintain academic standards.