



**Beaufort Alumnae Chapter
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**

BAC 2023 Eligibility Criteria

The Beaufort Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., awards academic scholarships to provide financial assistance to graduating secondary seniors who wish to pursue higher education career goals. Applicants must submit a completed application with the necessary signatures, three signed letters of recommendation, an official transcript, SAT or ACT scores, and an essay. **The applicants will be evaluated on their scholastic discipline, character, personal achievement, goals, objectives, and financial demands.** Scholarship winners will be selected from applications received on or before 11:55 p.m., March 9, 2023. The recipient will receive a BAC scholarship for higher education assistance that **must be used by the first academic semester of the ensuing academic year.** Please be advised that the scholarship recipient will have one year to claim the BAC scholarship.

Eligibility Criteria

The applicant must:

- **Be** a graduating senior in one of the following high schools: Beaufort High, Battery Creek High, Whale Branch Early College, Ridgeland Secondary Academy of Excellence
- **Apply** with all required signatures
- **Submit copies** of high school transcript, GPA and class ranking, SAT or ACT scores **certified** by the **school counselor; in a sealed letterhead envelope**
- **Submit** a typed essay of 400-750 words
- **Submit** three letters of recommendation validating character and moral principles, academic growth and development, and leadership/community involvement, including the following:
 - Name, occupation, telephone number, and email address of the recommender
 - The length of time the recommender has known the student, along with a clear description of the relationship (e.g., as a student, service in a faith community and neighborhood, as a scholastic leader)
 - An explicit description of a growing, developing, responsible, and accountable youthful adult with future aspirations for educational and professional career objectives, and community development
 - State community service/activity involvement and the specific role the student played
- **Recommenders'** letters must have the original signature in blue or black ink **and be put into a sealed envelope.**
- **Verify** proof of acceptance in an accredited higher education institution (e.g., college or university)
- **Verify** financial need – submit a copy of the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid www.studentaid.gov) Confirmation Page for the 2022-2023 school year, and
- **Participation in Beaufort Alumnae Chapter essay writing and FAFSA workshops is recommended**

ALL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS MUST BE A RESIDENT OF BEAUFORT OR RIDGELAND-JASPER COUNTY (RESIDE WITHIN THE SERVICE AREA OF BEAUFORT ALUMNAE CHAPTER OF DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.)

The applicant must ensure a completed application is received with all supporting documents on or before 11:55 p.m., Thursday, **March 9, 2023.** The committee will stamp the date received, initially screen, and evaluate all applications received. Candidates selected for a BAC Scholarship award will be notified by phone and in writing by **April 14, 2023.** Recipients must participate in the BAC **May 6, 2023** Scholarship Banquet with a parent or guardian. BAC will disburse scholarship awards upon **written confirmation of post-secondary enrollment and only during the recipient's first semester of the academic year.** Questions regarding application and instructions may be directed to the Scholarship Committee at beauforddeltasscholars@gmail.com. Mail completed Scholarship Applications to:

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Attn: Scholarship Committee
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