

**Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated  
Upsilon Psi Zeta Graduate Chapter  
Blazing Tributes Foundation  
Oak Park, Michigan**

**2023 High School Scholarship  
Application Packet**



**Application Deadline:  
Monday, February 27, 2023**

**Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated  
Oak Park Graduate Chapter  
P. O. Box 48012  
Oak Park, MI 48237**

# ***“Those Oak Park Zetas Building on the Principles of Zeta While Blazing New Paths!”***



***Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Oak Park Graduate Chapter***

## **2023 Scholarship Application Packet Guidelines**

Since its inception in 1920, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated has strived to promote the sorority’s ideals of scholarship, service, sisterhood and the epitome of finer womanhood. Throughout its history, the women of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated have sought to raise educational, health, and social consciousness in the communities in which they live, work and worship. Upsilon Psi Zeta, the Oak Park Graduate Chapter and Blazing Tributes Foundation, will be upholding those standards as we award several outstanding high school seniors from the Metro Detroit community with scholarships for **\$1,000.00**.

### **GUIDELINES FOR SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION:**

- **Applicants must be a high school senior enrolling in a two-year college or four-year college or university or vocational/trade school in the fall of 2023.**
- **Applicants must have an overall/cumulative grade point average of no less than 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.**
- **Applicants must participate in community service, campus leadership and/or extracurricular activities.**

### ***Your application packet must include:***

- A completed scholarship application.
- An official copy of your high school transcript.
- An acceptance letter from an accredited 2-year college or 4-year college or university or vocational/trade school.
- One recommendation letter from a current or former high school teacher, counselor, or an administrator.
- One recommendation letter from a community member (coach, church member, supervisor, mentor, community leader, etc.)
- **A 500-word essay typed and double-spaced, 12” Font, Times New Roman. Please select only ONE of the three choices below to write your essay:**
  1. ***Pick an experience from your own life and explain how it has influenced your development.***
  2. ***Describe how you have demonstrated leadership in your school, work and/or community.***
  3. ***If you had the authority to change your community in a positive way, what specific changes would you make? Why?***

**Next Steps:**

- On Saturday, May 6, 2023, Upsilon Psi Zeta Graduate chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated will host an in-person scholarship Brunch. All recipients will be acknowledged at the ceremony. Additional details will be provided later.
- Scholarship awards are to be used for educational purposes only. **Scholarship awards will be disbursed to the college, university or trade/vocational school once verification is provided of the awardee's enrollment.** Please email: name of the institution, school identification number, contact person/ department and mailing address for scholarship check disbursement by July 1, 2023.

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Scholarship application packet **MUST** be submitted via Upsilon Psi Zeta's online website at: [www.oakparkzetas.com/scholarships](http://www.oakparkzetas.com/scholarships). Reasonable accommodations will be made if an electronic submission is not feasible. Please see below for contact information.

For questions:            Email: [UPZScholarship@gmail.com](mailto:UPZScholarship@gmail.com)

**APPLICANT:** Please complete the form below. Your application packet must be submitted by the deadline of **February 27, 2023**. Any application packet submitted after the deadline date will not be considered.

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Street:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**City, State, Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Telephone:** Daytime: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Evening: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
**Primary E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Interests/Hobbies:**  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION**

Current High School Name and Location: \_\_\_\_\_  
Expected Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Overall/Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

## ORGANIZATIONS

(Please list the organizations you are affiliated with including any offices held)

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_ Office(s) held: \_\_\_\_\_

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## EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

(Please list all extracurricular activities you have participated while in high school including any leadership positions held)

Activity: \_\_\_\_\_ School Year: \_\_\_\_\_

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## FUTURE PLANS

Please list the colleges/universities/vocational/trade schools you have applied to:

College/University/Vocational/Trade School	City/State	Have you been accepted?	Estimated Cost of Attendance

Are you related to a member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated or Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated? \_\_\_\_\_  
If so, which organization? \_\_\_\_\_

Specify Relative(s) Name and relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

### PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

Parent(s)/Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Last) (First) (MI)

Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Number) (Street Name)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (County) (Zip)

Home/Cell Telephone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Guardian's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### APPLICATION DISCLAIMER

I, \_\_\_\_\_, understand that any funds awarded to  
(Parent/Guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_ are to be used for educational purposes only.  
(Student's Name)

Failure of my student to provide required materials, indicating enrollment in a two-year college or four-year college or university to Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated Oak Park Graduate Chapter, will result in the forfeiture of the awarded funds. **The awarded funds will be made payable to the college or university or vocational/trade school your student will be matriculating to in the fall 2023 semester. No exceptions will be allowed.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Parent/Guardian Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Date)



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**Recommendation Letter Guidelines**

Dear Sir/Madam:

Thank you for agreeing to write a recommendation letter for the applicant. Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated is a public service organization committed to providing service and scholarship to the community through community service, education, and philanthropic efforts. The applicant is applying to receive funds for educational purposes during the 2022-2023 academic years.

Please use the questions below to format a separate recommendation letter that can be used to support this student's scholarship application.

**Completed scholarship application packets (including letters of recommendation) must be submitted no later than February 27, 2023.**

**Information to include in the recommendation letter:**

- Name, job title, address, and daytime telephone number.
- How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?
- Information on applicant's academic achievements (if applicable).
- In detail, how the applicant contributes to his/her school and or community.
- Why should this applicant receive a financial award for college/vocation/trade school?

Sincerely,

*Erricka Reed*

Erricka Reed, Chair  
Scholarship Committee



## Scholarship Application Packet Checklist

- \_\_\_\_\_ Official High School Transcript from grades 9-12  
Transcript must have an overall/cumulative GPA from grades 9-12
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ Completed Scholarship Application with signatures
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ Acceptance Letter from an Accredited 2-year college or 4-year college or university or vocational/trade school
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ One Recommendation Letter from a current or former high school teacher, counselor, or administrator
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ One Recommendation Letter from a community member (coach, church member, supervisor, mentor, community leader, etc.)
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 500 Word Essay answering one of the essay questions on the scholarship application

### **PLEASE NOTE:**

- No scholarship applications will be accepted without signatures.
- No scholarship application packets will be accepted past the postmarked date.