



Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated

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KAREN LYNNE HARRIS Memorial Scholarship

ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INCORPORATED

ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INCORPORATED was founded January 16, 1920 at Howard University in Washington, D.C. by five collegiate women on the ideals of Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood and Finer Womanhood. This organization is the only sorority constitutionally bound to a brother organization, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated. Zeta Phi Beta Sorority was the first to establish the following: auxiliary groups for girls 4 - 17 years of age, chapters in Africa and a national headquarters with a full-time paid staff. A community conscious, action oriented organization, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority is affiliated with the following nationally renowned organizations: the National Pan-Hellenic Council, NCNW, NAACP, National Urban League, and has a more than 30 year partnership with the March of Dimes.

ZETA ZETA CHAPTER

Zeta Zeta Chapter, originally chartered in 1926, was re-chartered on October 3, 1987 as the result of thirty-three graduate and professional women (with educational backgrounds that include: bachelors, masters, doctoral and law degrees) in the Dolton, Illinois area. These women brought a wealth of information and resources from their undergraduate Zeta experiences to assist in making this new chapter one to be reckoned with. Since its inception, Zeta Zeta chapter is proud of the following accomplishments: upholding a rich tradition of sisterhood, having members to serve in various elected and appointed positions on all levels in the sorority and to instill within our youth auxiliaries the importance of a quality education, having respect for others and oneself, and to be proud of our rich heritage. Zeta Zeta Chapter provides service to various charitable organizations and holds annual programs in accordance with the National Organization of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority.

KAREN LYNNE HARRIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

KAREN LYNNE HARRIS, a charter member of Zeta Zeta chapter held the sorority in a very high regard (and was an active and financial supporter of the organization) since joining on April 16, 1977 on the campus of Illinois State University. *KAREN LYNNE HARRIS* was born into eternity on September 22, 1998 and in her memory, Zeta Zeta Chapter awards annually college scholarships to female high school seniors who hold a high standard for academics.

Attached you will find an application for the *KAREN LYNNE HARRIS* Memorial Scholarship. Please photocopy and forward this application to members of the graduating class who meet the following criteria: 1) Female 2) is a U.S. Citizen 3) a Resident in the Chicago land area (Chicago and its surrounding suburbs) and 4) has a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better. The deadline for scholarship applications must be postmarked by March 3rd. The winners will be notified no later than March 31st and the scholarship will be awarded no later than April 28th. Applicants are under no obligation to become members of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated or any of its auxiliary groups.

Please feel free to contact the scholarship chairperson at scholars@zetazetaonline.org if you have any questions regarding the application process.

Karen Lynne Harris Memorial Scholarship Application

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated
Zeta Zeta Chapter
(Please print or type)

*Applications must be postmarked **no later than** March 3rd*

The winners will be notified no later than March 31st

The scholarship will be awarded no later than April 28th.

Personal Information:

Name:

Address:

City, State, Zip Code:

Phone Number:

E-Mail:

Contact Information:

High School:

Address:

City, State, Zip Code:

Phone Number:

Interests & Talents:

Special Talents / Hobbies:

Extracurricular Activities:

Honors / Awards:

Community Service Activities:

Employment History:

Employer:

Address:

Phone Number:

Dates of Employment:

Position:

Supervisor:

Responsibilities:

Employment History:

Employer:

Address:

Phone Number:

Dates of Employment:

Position:

Supervisor:

Responsibilities:

Academic and Career Goals:

College:

Address:

City, State, Zip Code:

Intended Major:

Intended Career:

Write a brief summary of what you know about Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated?

Why should you be awarded the KAREN LYNNE HARRIS Memorial Scholarship?

Essay Question:

Please select one of the following topics for your essay. Essay must not exceed Five (5) TYPED pages, double-spaced pages, using 12 point font and one inch margins. Please be sure to include a bibliography citing all of your sources.

1. What do you want your legacy to be? Why? Write an essay explaining what lessons or experiences you would like to be passed on to future generations.
2. What do you consider to be the single most important Societal problem? Why?
3. Considering the history of race relations in the United States, could police brutality against African American women be linked to the images and portrayal of African American women in the media?
4. Can a woman president rectify the various systems and structural issues that impede the progress of women and other minority groups in the United States and abroad?
5. Do you believe that racial or religious profiling is ever justified? State your position, and explain your opinion on this issue.
6. What can we do as women to join together to build each other up and not tear each other down?

Mail completed application and all supporting documents to:

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated ■ Zeta Zeta Chapter ■
Attn: Scholarship Chairperson ■ Post Office Box 599 ■ Dolton, Illinois 60419

The application package must include the following information:

- Personal Statement - Your personal statement should be limited to 2 pages, typed, double spaced, font size 12. Your personal statement shall reflect your thoughts regarding education, the state of the world today, why you should be selected to receive a scholarship and how you will make an impact on society.
- Recommendation letters - Two letters of recommendation that may come from a teacher, counselor, or other professional adult (not a family member), or (preferred not required) an active member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated.
- Official High School Transcript
- Copy of Intended College Acceptance Letter.
- A recent photograph of you.
- Documentation of your Community Service hours.
- Essays must not exceed five (5) TYPED PAGES, double-spaced, using 12 point font and one inch margins, one sided, with footnotes and a bibliography. The 5 pages does not include the cover page.
- **In addition to your essay, you must have a Personal Statement.**
 - ❖ **All incomplete applications will be disqualified.**