



**Zeta Phi Beta Sorority,
Inc.**

Rho Xi Zeta Chapter

**2018 Five Pearls Book
Scholarship Application**

The Five
Founders
of Zeta Phi Beta



Dear Scholarship Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Five Pearls Book Scholarship. In order for you to apply, you must meet the following criteria:

- ❖ Must be a female presently enrolled as a high school graduating senior located in Cobb County, Georgia or a visitor at any of our scholarship career fair booths.
- ❖ Must have a minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA or higher at the time of the application deadline and at the end of the 2017-2018 school year.
- ❖ Should be a responsible, supportive, and a positive individual who is interested in servicing the community.
- ❖ Must have applied to any Accredited College or University (2 year or 4 year programs).

Below you will find the 2018 Five Pearls Book scholarship. The scholarship application must be submitted by

**Friday, March 16, 2018 by 11:59pm online at scholarship@zpb-rhoxyzeta.org.
You can find original application (PDF format) at
<http://www.zpb-rhoxyzeta.org/five-pearls-scholarship>.**

Please make sure that the following forms and documents are submitted:

- ❖ COMPLETED 2018 Five Pearls Book Scholarship Application
- ❖ Scholarship Essay (500-800 words)
- ❖ Official copy of high school transcript. Please scan and/or attachment and submit with application as one compressed file
- ❖ Two letters of recommendations: Letters should be typed and printed on letterhead. Please scan and/or attach and submit with application as one file compressed file

- **One letter from a local member of the community and/or an active member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. to support your service and character within your community**
- **One from a faculty or staff member from your school who can support your academic performance and overall character as a student**

Once we receive your complete packet (application, essay, transcript, and two letters of recommendations) you will receive a confirmation email. Incomplete or late packets will not be accepted! NO EXCEPTIONS! After applications are received, applicants will be assigned points based on the following information:

- ❖ Recommendation Letters
- ❖ Scholarship Essay
- ❖ Overall Presentation
- ❖ Grade Point Average

If you have any questions about the scholarship application, please contact Dr. Kristi Halsell at scholarship@zpb-rhoxyzeta.org. Thank you for your time and good luck with the process!

Sincerely,
Dr. Kristi Anderson Halsell
Scholarship Committee Chair
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Rho Xi Zeta Chapter

Scholarship Rules and Guidelines

In order to be eligible to receive the 2018 Five Pearls Book Scholarship, the following rules apply:

1. Must be a female presently enrolled as a high school graduating senior located in Cobb County, Georgia or a visitor at any of our scholarship career fair booths.
2. Must have a minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA at the time of the application deadline and at the end of the 2017-2018 school year.
3. Should be a responsible, supportive, self-disciplined, positive, and energetic individual who is interested in the welfare of education and in the community.
4. The number of awards is at the sole discretion of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Rho Xi Zeta Chapter.
5. The scholarship will be worth \$1000.00 and is non-renewable.
6. The scholarship must be used at an accredited college or university in the United States of America and will be made payable to the student.
7. The Rho Xi Zeta scholarship committee will judge or either appoints judges to review the submitted scholarship applications. Finalists will be selected based on the application and attached documents. The scholarship recipients will be chosen and notified.
8. The Rho Xi Zeta scholarship committee reserves the right to conduct an interview of the finalists.
9. The scholarship recipients will be determined by Rho Xi Zeta, and it is solely at the discretion of the Rho Xi Zeta Scholarship Committee to make the determination of which applicants followed the guidelines as set forth in the application.

Please be sure to complete the scholarship application form and include ALL attachments listed below. Failure to adhere to the instructions will result in disqualification of your application.

1. Completed 2018 Five Pearls Book Scholarship Application
2. An official copy of your high school transcript showing your cumulative GPA
3. Two letters of recommendations:
 - i. **One from a local member of the community or active member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.**
 - ii. **One from a faculty or staff member who can assess your skills.**
4. A 500-800 word scholarship essay (information will be included in application)

Your completed application package should be time stamped no later than March 16, 2018 at 11:59pm online. All applications and supporting documents must be submitted electronically at scholarship@zpb-rhozeta.org.

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Please print clearly or type.

__ Career Fair Attendee _____ Career Fair Attended

Part 1: Personal Information

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Applicant's Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian's Phone: _____

Applicant's Email Address: _____

Parent/Guardian's Email Address: _____

High School Information

Current Institution: _____

Address: _____

Dates of Attendance: _____ to _____

GPA: _____ Expected Date of Graduation: _____

Institutions Applied To:

Institutions Accepted Into:

Part 2: General Information

Please answer the following questions concisely and attach additional sheets if needed.

1. What other scholarships, grants, or financial aid awards have you received or do you expect to receive for the 2017-2018 school year?

Award Name	Date	Amount

2. What academic awards, recognitions, or honors have you received during your high school career?

Award Name	Description	Date

3. What community service activities or organizations have you been involved with in the last year?

Activity/Organization	Role	Date Participated

4. List all your involvement in student organizations. Please include if you have held any leadership positions and years involved.

Activity/Organization	Position	Dates Participated

5. List all of your current and previous work experience. Please include the type of work you did, how many hours you worked per week, and length of employment.

Employer	Position	Dates Participated	Hours Per Week

Part 3: Essay

Topic: Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. has been in the forefront of social action and civil rights since the 1920s. Today, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. remains leading the path in the social injustices that our black community is facing by taking an active stance against senseless killings of African Americans. Please explain how furthering your education will prepare you to become the leader that our African American communities will need in the future.

Essay Criteria:

- ❖ Your essay should be between 500 to 800 words, double-spaced and typed.
- ❖ Size 12 font (only Times New Roman or Arial font are accepted)
- ❖ Please include in your essay which college you plan to attend and your intended major (if possible).
- ❖ **Your essay will be judged based on the following:**
 - The degree to which the writer establishes a main idea and elaborates with examples, illustrations, and facts or details that is appropriate to the audience.
 - The degree to which the writer's ideas are arranged in a clear order and concessive manner.
 - The degree to which the writer demonstrates control of sentence formation, usage, and mechanics.

Part 4: Verification

By signing submitting this application electronically, I affirm that all information contained within this application and accompanying attachments are complete, accurate and all information is truthful. Also by submitting this application electronically, I authorize Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Rho Xi Zeta Chapter to check my academic transcript to verify my current cumulative GPA.

Scholarship Application Package Checklist:

- ✓ COMPLETED 2018 Five Pearls Book Scholarship Application
- ✓ Official copy of high school transcript
- ✓ Two letters of recommendations
 - One from a local member of the community
 - One from a faculty or staff member affiliated with your school (i.e. teacher, coach, counselor, principal, administrator)
- ✓ 500-800 word scholarship essay

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