



Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
Rho Xi Zeta Chapter

2021 Five Pearls
Scholarship Application

Dear Scholarship Applicant:

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

- ❖ Must be a female presently enrolled as a high school senior, located in the metro Atlanta, GA area (or surrounding counties).
- ❖ Must have a minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA or higher at the time of the application deadline and at the end of the 2020-2021 school year.
- ❖ Should be a responsible, supportive, and positive individual who is committed to service in her community.
- ❖ Must have been accepted to any Accredited College or University (4 year Bachelor's Degree program).

Below you will find the link to access the 2021 Five Pearls scholarship application. The scholarship application must be submitted via email no later than:

Sunday, February 21st, 2021 by 11:59pm EST
Submit Application: scholarship@zpb-rhoxyzeta.org

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

- ❖ COMPLETED 2021 Five Pearls Scholarship Application
- ❖ Scholarship Essay (400 - 500 words)
- ❖ Official copy of high school transcript (scanned as an attachment and submitted with application in one compressed file)
- ❖ Two letters of recommendation: Letters should be typed and printed, or saved as a PDF and then scanned as an attachment, to be submitted with application in one compressed file.
 - Recommendations should be provided by:
 - A teacher or other faculty/staff member from your school who can speak to your academic performance and overall character as a student
 - A member of the local community (i.e. work supervisor, coach, community leader, civic organization member) or an active member of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc who can speak to your service and character within your community

You will receive a confirmation email within 3 days of submitting your full and complete application packet (compressed file including application, essay, transcript, and two letters of recommendation).

Please be advised: incomplete or late packets will *not* be accepted. NO EXCEPTIONS

As applications are reviewed, applicants will be assigned points based on the following information:

- ❖ Letters of Recommendation (demonstrated leadership, character, school performance, and community involvement)
- ❖ Scholarship Essay
- ❖ Overall Presentation
- ❖ Grade Point Average

If you have any questions about the scholarship application, please contact Mrs. Nana Adwoa Boone at scholarship@zpb-rhoxyzeta.org. Thank you for your time and best of luck to you!

Warm Regards,

Scholarship Committee
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., *Rho Xi Zeta Chapter*

Scholarship Rules and Guidelines

In order to be eligible to receive the 2021 Five Pearls Scholarship award, the following rules apply:

1. Must be a female presently enrolled as a high school senior, located in the metro Atlanta, GA area (or surrounding counties).
2. Must have a minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA at the time of the application deadline and at the end of the 2020-2021 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 Five Pearls Scholarship award is \$1000.00 in total and is non-renewable.
6. The scholarship must be used to cover related expenses for a degree program 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 either review or appoint additional individuals to review and score the submitted scholarship application packets. Finalists will be selected based on the merits of the full application packet. The scholarship committee reserves the right to disqualify any applicant who does not successfully adhere to any of the scholarship application requirements, as indicated.
8. The Rho Xi Zeta scholarship committee reserves the right to conduct an interview with any finalists, if deemed necessary.
9. Scholarship recipients will be selected through an impartial, structured, and unbiased application review process. Final award recipient selection decisions are at the sole discretion of the Rho Xi Zeta Scholarship Committee.
10. Selected scholarship award recipients will be notified no later than **March 21, 2021**.

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 2021 Five Pearls Book Scholarship Application
2. An official copy of your high school transcript showing your cumulative GPA
3. Two letters of recommendation
4. A 400-500 word scholarship essay (as directed in the application)

Your completed application package should be received no later than February 21, 2021 at 11:59pm EST. All applications and supporting documentation must be submitted electronically in one compressed file, to scholarship@zpb-rhozeta.org.



2021 Five Pearls Scholarship Application

Please answer all questions completely. If you are handwriting any portion of the application, be sure to print information clearly before scanning to submit your full packet.

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 _____

Un-weighted GPA: _____/Weighted GPA: _____

Expected Date of Graduation: _____

Institutions To Which You Have Applied: _____

Institutions To Which You Have Been Accepted:

Part 2: General Information

Please answer the following questions concisely. You may include additional typed sheets if needed.

1. What other scholarships, grants, or financial aid awards have you received or do you expect to receive for the 2020-2021 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

Part 3: Essay

ESSAY PROMPT: Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. has been at the forefront of social action and civil rights since the 1920s. Today, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. remains a present force in the community by actively addressing social, political, and economic issues that impact our communities every day. Given the unprecedented times in which we find ourselves, how can you, as a member of the younger generation that is also the future of our world, reflect a spirit of social consciousness that will contribute to the strength in diversity, inclusion, and social justice for your community and our world? How will you give back and become a leader who can positively impact their community?

Essay Criteria:

- ❖ Your essay should be between 400 to 500 words, double-spaced and typed.
- ❖ Size 12pt font (*only Times New Roman or Arial fonts 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 you establish a main idea and elaborate with examples, illustrations, and facts or details that are appropriate for the audience.
 - The degree to which your ideas are arranged in a clear order and concessive manner.
 - The degree to which you demonstrate control of sentence formation, usage, and mechanics.

Part 4: Verification

By signing and submitting this application electronically, I affirm that all information contained within this application and accompanying attachments are complete, accurate and submitted to the best of my ability in truth. Also by submitting this application electronically, I authorize Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Rho Xi Zeta Chapter to reference my academic transcript to verify my current cumulative GPA.

Scholarship Application Package Checklist:

- COMPLETED 2021 Five Pearls 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)
- 400-500 word scholarship essay

Your completed application package should be submitted online no later than Sunday, February 21st by 11:59pm EST: Email scholarship@zpb-rhoizeta.org.

You can find original application at
<http://www.zpb-rhoizeta.org/fivepearlsscholarship>

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Nana Adwoa Boone at scholarship@zpb-rhoizeta.org.