# Dr. Vernell A. Lillie Arts Scholarship for High School Seniors and Undergraduate College Students (i.e.: Freshman, Sophomores & Juniors)

The Pittsburgh Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. continues its biannual arts scholarship. For the purpose of this scholarship, the arts are defined to encompass vocal music, instrumental music, music education, performance, music theory & composition, visual arts, art history, art education, design, graphic design, creative writing, drama, theatre arts, new media, film studies, dance, choreography and photography.

**CRITERIA:**
The applicant should have an overall grade point average (G.P.A.) minimum of 2.75 on a four-point scale.
Must be a High School senior attending a school in our servicing area **OR** and undergraduate College student in our servicing area, who will be enrolling in a 4-year College/University degree institution or Community College to pursue education and careers in the arts.

**DURATION & PAYMENT**
Recipients who earn this award will receive a one-time $2,000.00 scholarship. Payments will be made directly to the student. Prior to the issuance of the scholarship award, the following must be provided:

- an official verification of enrollment for the Fall term must be submitted **NO LATER** than September 30, 2024. For example, a paid invoice from the school, college or university.

**RESTRICTIONS**
Pittsburgh Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. reserves the right to withdraw an award if:

1. The student does not enroll in an arts-related degree program at an accredited higher education institution by the beginning of the Fall term, or:
2. If any information on the application is determined to be false, or
3. The student fails to submit evidence of the Fall enrollment by September 30, 2024 (i.e.: transcript, paid invoice) in a College/University or Community College to the Pittsburgh Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

**PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING**

Secure an application from the Scholarship Chairpersons via E-Mail or on the Pittsburgh Alumnae website: htttp://dstpghalumnae.org. Applicants must complete and send the application packet to the Scholarship Committee via E-Mail to Scholarships@dstpghalumnae.org **OR** via the USPS. The applicant packet must consist of: (1) Completed Application (2) Reference Letters from two educators, one reference letter must be from an arts educator that is familiar with you as an arts student and (3) Transcript that identifies your GPA (grade point average) to:

**Pittsburgh Alumnae Chapter**
**Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**
**c/o The Scholarship Committee**
**P.O. Box 99383**
**Pittsburgh, PA 15233**

The Pittsburgh Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, chartered on April 3, 1927, meets the changing needs of our communities through the years. We have made advances and expanded our programs. The members of Pittsburgh Alumnae Chapter will continue to serve their community by fostering and executing the ideals, goals, and programs of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated. Service Areas: Pittsburgh, Laurel Highlands, Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Butler, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Lawrence, Somerset, and Washington Counties.

**CLOSING & NOTIFICATION**

The application and all supporting materials must be submitted via E-Mail to Scholarships@dstpghalumnae.org **OR** USPS and postmarked no later than **April 30, 2024**. No handwritten applications will be accepted. No applications will be accepted in person. The Awardee will be notified via E-Mail and USPS by the end of June 2024.

Best regards,

*Helen Bowers*
Helen Bowers,
Chapter President

*Simquita Bridges*
Simquita Bridges, Co-Chair
Scholarship Committee

*Robin Young*
Robin Young, Co-Chair
Scholarship Committee

**DEADLINE TO SUBMIT: April 30, 2024**