



Leshia Heath Smith Academic Scholarship
Application

Dillard University National Alumni Association (DUNAA) – Metro Atlanta Chapter
P.O. Box 5014
Atlanta, GA 30302

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PURPOSE

- Provide financial assistance to Atlanta area students attending Dillard University.
- Honor the legacy of a Dillard Alumnae who was very active in the Atlanta Chapter.
- Continue the legacy of support offered to Atlanta area students.

ELIGIBILITY

Metro Atlanta students matriculating as Dillard University Freshman must:

- Complete and submit the scholarship application by the deadline, including all requested documentation. (*In the event no applications are received from Freshmen, Upper-class students will be allowed to apply. The goal is to award scholarships each year.*)

CRITERIA

- Application must reflect strong academic performance, leadership potential and community service engagement.
- The scholarship must be used in the academic year in which it is awarded.
- Proof of enrollment as a full-time student at Dillard University.
- Applications should be submitted online between April 1st and May 31st.

SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENT

- Scholarships are awarded contingent on the following requirements:
- An application; essay with a minimum of 250 - 500 words (requested on the application); official high school transcript.
- Must have a 2.5 GPA or above (based on a 4.0 academic system).
- Metro Atlanta Chapter of Dillard University acceptance letter for incoming freshman and transcript for enrolled students.
- The form must be submitted electronically. Instructions for submitting the application are available on the website.

SELECTION OF RECIPIENT

- After review by the scholarship committee, selection will be based on the application and academic relevance of a complete application packet. An application packet without all the requested requirements will be considered incomplete and the applicant will be deemed ineligible. The application deadline is May 31st. Recipients will be notified within 30 days after the deadline.

Please answer all questions. If questions do not apply, write N/A (not applicable).

I. GENERAL INFORMATION

Name:

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(D.O.B.) (Gender)

Address:

(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Contact Information:

Telephone Number(s)

(Home) (Cell)

(E-mail Address)

Name and Address of High School Attended:

(Name)

(Street)

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

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Outstanding scholarship, service, and leadership are the key themes that run throughout Dillard University's rich history. DUNAA – Metro Atlanta Chapter seeks to recognize students who embody this spirit of academic achievement, community service and leadership.

II. SCHOLARSHIP / COMMUNITY SERVICE / LEADERSHIP

A. Academics

Graduation Date: _____ GPA: _____

(Applicant MUST Provide an official High School Transcript with School Seal)

B. Community Service

Please provide detailed information on your community service, extracurricular activities, and leadership positions. Be sure to include dates of service and/or recognition. If additional space is needed, attached a sheet to this document.

Community Service	Description of Volunteer Activity	Date(s) of Service

C. Leadership

Leadership Position	Name of Group, Committee, or Organization	Term(s)

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D. Extracurricular Activities

Extracurricular Activity	Description of Activity / Role	Date(s) of Participation

III. ESSAY TOPICS

All applicants must submit an essay addressing one of the three topics below. Essays must be typewritten with a minimum of 250 - 500 words.

- A. Arts – In what way(s) has/have the ARTS influenced your life?
- B. STEM – Why is a STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) education important? What are ways you experience STEM in your everyday life?
- C. Social Justice – What do you consider to be the single most important societal problem in the community? How do we overcome this problem? What would be the benefits and consequences of questioning or challenging this societal problem?

IV. CERTIFICATION

I _____ (Print Student's Name), certify that all statements in the Leshia Heath Smith Book Scholarship Application and attachments, are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature _____ Date _____

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Mail Application and all Supporting Documents to:

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V. DISCLAIMER

By signing this document, you understand, if selected to receive a Book Scholarship Award, your name, picture and school information will be listed on the HBCU Alumni Atlanta and DUNAA – Metro Atlanta Chapter websites as a recipient.

VI. APPLICANT CHECKLIST

- _____ Section I: General Information Complete
- _____ Section II: Scholarship/Community Service/Leadership/ Complete
 - _____ Section II – A: Scholarship
 - _____ Section II – B: Community Service
 - _____ Section II – C: Leadership
 - _____ Section II – D: Extracurricular Activities
- _____ Section III: Essay (250 – 500 Words) Complete
- _____ Section IV: Certification (Required Signatures) Complete
- _____ Official High School Transcript (with School Seal)
- _____ Picture
- _____ Resume

Please Note the following:

- **Applications must be postmarked by Saturday, August 22, 2020.**
- **Proof of Enrollment at Dillard University must be confirmed prior to awarding of funds.**
- **Incomplete applications will not be considered for review**
- **If you are a recipient of the “Leshia Heath Smith” Book Scholarship Award, your name, picture and school information will be listed on the HBCU Alumni-Atlanta website and DUNAA – Metro Atlanta Chapter website.**

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