

Denise Foster Mixon Memorial Scholarship
P.O. Box 1930
Boothwyn, Pennsylvania 19061

Denise Foster Mixon was a charter member of the Chester Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. She was a true youth advocate and educator. A graduate of Delaware State University and Widener University she valued education and worked hard at affecting the lives of young people. This scholarship is offered to honor her and assist students seeking higher education.

Scholarship Criteria

All applicants must:

- Be a female, graduating high school senior and attend a school located in Delaware County.
- Have a grade point average of 2.5 or better on a 4.0 scale.
- Be accepted at an accredited two or four-year college/institute of higher learning. Applications received without college acceptance letters will still be considered for the scholarship.
- Show evidence of involvement in extra-curricular school activities and community service.
- Submit a completed application:
 - The completed application **must** be postmarked or emailed by **March 13, 2020**.
 - Applications received after March 13, 2020 will not be considered.
 - Submit a wallet sized head shot photograph with the application.
 - Submit a typed essay of not less than 500 words that answers one of the essay questions on page 3.
 - Submit letters verifying community service.
 - Submit an official High School transcript that clearly reflects your GPA.
 - Submit a Photo/Video Release form.
- Be available for a scheduled personal interview.
- If applying for multiple scholarships, EACH application packet MUST contain ALL required materials.

Applications can be mailed to:
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
Chester Alumnae Chapter
Attn: Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 1930
Boothwyn, PA 19061

**Applications can be submitted electronically
by E-Mail to:**
scholarship@dstchesterpaac.org

NOTE: Submitted materials will not be returned. Any materials submitted will become the property of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Chester Alumnae Chapter.

Community Service: Please provide a letter from the organization(s) you provided service to verifying your community service and the number of hours you provided service. This letter should be on the organization's letterhead and signed by someone from the organization.

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- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Essay Questions:

Please answer ***ONE*** of the essay questions using the following criteria:

- **12 point Times New Roman**
- **1 inch margins**
- **Double spaced**
- **Not less than 500 words**

1. "Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. Martin Luther King, Jr.
As a productive and contributing member of society, describe ways in which you can be of service to your community both now and in the future.
2. If you had the authority to change your school in a positive way, what specific change would you make?

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Essay Tips

Be sure to:

- Have a title for your essay.
- Use a style and vocabulary that is comfortable for you, but you still need to make sure you are within the bounds of acceptable usage.
- After you have written a first draft, spend time “polishing” your essay.
 - Make verbs strong and active, and make descriptions precise and powerful.
 - Your sentences should be constructed properly and pay attention to the flow of your ideas.
 - Paragraphs need beginnings and endings.
 - Remember to introduce and sum up.
- Indent the first line of every paragraph.
- Check your spelling. Use a dictionary, spell check or a friend.
- Check your punctuation.
- Check your grammar. Do all sentences have a noun and a verb? Is the tense correct?
- Check your capitalization. All proper nouns should be capitalized.
- Proof read your essay to make sure you have answered the question and it makes sense.
- Let someone else read the essay. Ask your English teacher or guidance counselor.

Scholarship Application Checklist

Please be sure the following items are enclosed:

- _____ Complete **typed** application – Have all sections been filled in?
- _____ Essay Question – Did you answer one of essay questions on page 3?
- _____ Official High School Transcript – Transcript must clearly reflect GPA
- _____ Wallet Size Head Shot Photograph
- _____ College Acceptance Letter(s) NOTE: Applications received without college acceptance letters will still be considered for the scholarship.
- _____ Photo/Video Release form
- _____ Signed College Access Center Workshop Attendance Sheet (if applicable)
- _____ Letters verifying community service.