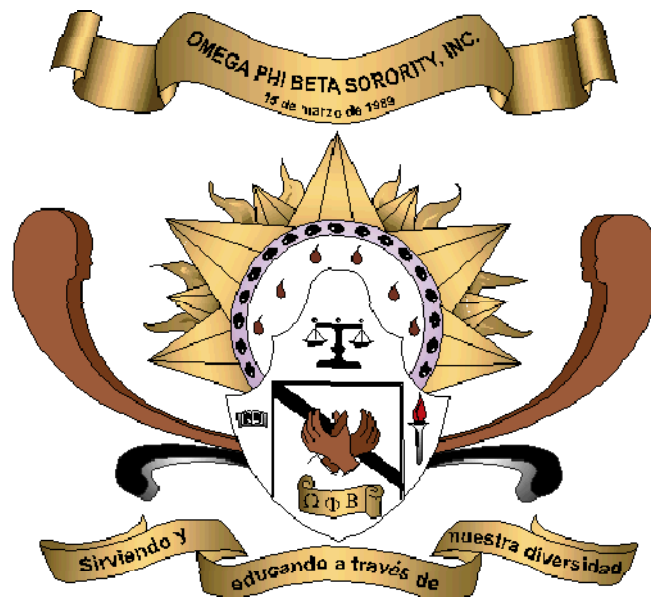


REACH FOR THE GOLD

Benevolent Book Scholarship “Giving to those that Give”

Application
2009-2010



Mail completed application with all supporting documents to:

Omega Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated
Attn: Benevolent Committee, Reach for the Gold Book Scholarship
PO Box 1033
Washington, DC 20013

Envelope must be postmarked on or between April 1, 2009 and May 16, 2009



REACH FOR THE GOLD
Benevolent Book Scholarship

The Benevolent Book Scholarship recognizes and supports community service and continued community involvement through the first year of college. Your application will be reviewed based on content and clarity. Only applications submitted with all supporting documents in ONE packet and postmarked on or between April 1, 2009, and May 16, 2009, will be considered. The scholarship award is \$750 and will be disbursed in two installments. The award recipient will be announced on or around August 31, 2009.

Disbursement of Award:

The total award is \$750 and will be disbursed in two installments:

- ◆ The first disbursement of \$500 will be awarded August 2009 once proof of enrollment at an accredited college/university is submitted to Omega Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated.
- ◆ The second disbursement of \$250 will be awarded in January 2010 if the student has maintained a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better and upon receipt of a Renewal Request Letter. The Renewal Request Letter must summarize your academic performance and community involvement during your first year of college and postmarked no later than January 15, 2010. This letter must be accompanied with an official transcript indicating your first semester GPA.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

1. Applicant must be a citizen or legal resident of the United States of America
2. Applicant must be a senior in high school graduating in May/June 2009.
3. Applicant must be a female student of color accepted to a full-time college or university program for the Class of 2013 in the upcoming fall 2009 semester.
4. Applicant must have a high school academic average of 80 or better. (3.2 on a 4.0 scale)
5. Applicant must be involved in community service activities and demonstrate their commitment to their community.
6. Must not have applied to the Reach for the Gold Academic Book Scholarship. Applying to both scholarships voids both applications.



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PART I

Form with fields for: Last Name, First Name, Middle Initial, Anticipated H.S. Graduation Date, Date of Birth, Gender, Ethnic Origin, Permanent Mailing Address, High School Information, Academic Information, and AP Courses.



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College Information:	
Career Goal(s): In 10 words or less, please describe your career goal(s)	
Please list colleges/universities you have applied to:	Please indicate whether you were ACCEPTED to the Fall 2009 Class at this institution.
	<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/> PENDING
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Have you decided which college you will attend during the Fall of 2009?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
	<i>** If you answered No, please skip to the next section</i>
Name of college/university you will attend in 2009	Name of intended program/major at that institution
How did you hear about the Reach for the Gold Scholarship? Please include specifics.	
<input type="checkbox"/> School	<input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship Web Site (Please indicate which one)
<input type="checkbox"/> Friend/Family Member	<input type="checkbox"/> Web Browser Search Engine (Yahoo, Google, etc)
<input type="checkbox"/> www.OmegaPhiBeta.org	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION CHECKLIST

- Official High School transcript in a sealed envelope must be included with application. Unofficial transcripts or those sent separately will automatically void the application.
- One letter of recommendation from a teacher, supervisor, guidance counselor or school official. Letters must be dated, no earlier than September 1, 2008, and on school letterhead. Family members may not submit a letter of recommendation on your behalf.
- One letter of support from a community service agency or program. Letters must be dated, no earlier than September 1, 2008, and on company letterhead. Family members or school officials may not submit a letter of recommendation on your behalf.
- Personal essay (see instructions in Part II of application)
- Resume: Please include your current resume highlighting job experience, extracurricular activities, community service, awards, and academic achievements.



PART II

Please attach to this application a 500-word essay that addresses the following question:

If you were charged with motivating middle school students to participate in service, how would you do it? Make sure to include your experiences, what you have learned and/or given back to your community, and why you feel service is important.

PART III

In submitting this application, I hereby certify that:

1. I have met all requirements as outlined and acknowledge that misrepresentation of the information presented may be grounds to rescind the scholarship award. I also agree to inform the scholarship committee of any significant changes to that information.
2. I will use the proceeds of any scholarship aid received from Omega Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated (OPBSI) for the purchase of books and related materials required for the course schedule.
3. I can only receive the 2nd installment upon my submission of the Renewal Request Letter accompanied by an official copy of my transcript indicating a GPA of 3.0 or better for the full-time enrollment period in which the first installment was awarded.
4. I understand that submission of this application does not guarantee award and that all scholarship recipients will be notified on or around August 31, 2009. A public announcement will be published on OPBSI's national website (www.OmegaPhiBeta.org) shortly thereafter.
5. I understand that submission of this application constitutes permission to use my name and/or photograph for promotional purposes.

Print Name

Signature

Date

Thank you for applying!