

# **DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.**

Elk Grove Alumnae Chapter

## **2026 JACQUELYN & JIMMIE WARD**

### **AFRICAN AMERICAN NURSING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**Deadline: April 30, 2026**

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#### **Scholarship Background:**

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. is the largest predominantly African-American Sorority in the world and is committed to scholarship, sisterhood, and service. Elk Grove Alumnae Chapter was chartered on December 11, 2004 and Mrs. Jacquelyn M. Ward became the first chartering president of the chapter that would serve Elk Grove, South Sacramento, Natomas, and West Sacramento. President Ward was not only a strong visionary, but her background to serve others came from her career as an RN and nurse practitioner alongside her husband. Mr. Ward was a nurse manager for the Department of Veteran Affairs at Mather AFB, and held many managerial roles in health care over the length of his career including Kaiser Permanente and Sutter Health Foundation. They both served their communities with strong conviction, at a time when there were very few African American nurse practitioners and male RNs.

#### **Available Scholarship:**

**Δ \$1,500.00 Nursing student scholarship (Selected applicant is eligible for additional years of funding)**

#### **Scholarship Criteria:**

- ☐ Students must be enrolled at a Community College or 4 year Institution who have been accepted into a Nursing Program.
- ☐ Students must identify as Black/African American male or female.
- ☐ One applicant will be selected with preference given to newly admitted nursing students.
- ☐ Documentation of financial need as determined by their submitted FAFSA.
- ☐ No Minimum GPA requirement, however, must submit official transcripts and be accepted into an accredited Nursing Program.
- ☐ Applicants must have been a resident of the Sacramento Region while in high school. Sacramento students who are admitted into a nursing program outside the region or state also qualify.

#### **Application Guidelines (Read completely before filling out application)**

Application deadline is April 30, 2026 and must be received by The Elk Grove Alumnae Chapter Scholarship Committee.

**Late applications will NOT be accepted.**

- ☐ In lieu of an in-person interview, you must submit a video recording that answers the appropriate question below. Video recording should be 5 minutes or less using a streaming platform (i.e. Youtube unlisted link, Zoom recording, Vimeo, etc.)

#### **Applicant Video Recording Question(s):**

- What inspired you to pursue a career in nursing, and how has your personal background influenced your journey?
- Why is representation of black professionals important in the nursing field?

#### **Awarding of Scholarship:**

- ☐ Scholarship funds will be paid after enrollment verification has been received. It will be the student's responsibility to submit to the Elk Grove Alumnae Chapter a final official undergraduate transcript and official nursing program enrollment verification.
- ☐ Email All Questions and Documents To: [EGACScholarships@gmail.com](mailto:EGACScholarships@gmail.com)

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<b>First Name:</b>		<b>Last Name:</b>	
<b>Street Address:</b>			
<b>City:</b>	<b>State:</b>	<b>Zip Code:</b>	
<b>Daytime Telephone Number:</b>			
<b>Alternate Phone Number:</b>			
<b>Email Address:</b>			
<b>Name of Undergraduate College or Community College:</b>		<b>Major:</b>	
<b>Units Achieved/Academic Standing:</b>		<b>Date of Undergraduate Graduation:</b>	
<b>Nursing School You Plan to Attend or Attending:</b>			
<b>Enrollment Year:</b>			
<b>Name of High School Attended:</b>		<b>Address of High School:</b>	
<b>Is High School in the Sacramento Region? Yes_____ No_____</b>			
<b>Do you have any talents? If so, please list them?</b>			
<b>Will you be at our Scholarship Brunch on June 6, 2026?</b>			

**Please attach your resume or cv that list any academic honors, volunteer activities, awards and membership activities.**

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**Elk Grove Alumnae Chapter**  
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**Application Period: January 5, 2026 - April 30, 2026**

**STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS**

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that if chosen as a scholarship winner, my picture/video may be taken and used to promote the Elk Grove Alumnae Jacquelyn M. and Jimmie Ward African American Nursing Scholarship Program.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship recipient, it is my responsibility to remit to the Elk Grove Alumnae Chapter proof of enrollment for the year that I select to receive scholarship funds that will be paid directly to me.

**I hereby understand that this application will not be considered without my signature, school/college transcript, documentation of financial need, and submitted video recording not to exceed 5 minutes in length to the Scholarship Chairperson:**  
**[EGACScholarships@gmail.com](mailto:EGACScholarships@gmail.com)**

**Incomplete or late submissions will not be accepted.**

**Signature of Scholarship Applicant (Electronic Acceptable):**

**Date:**

**Video Recording Link:**

**Checklist**

- ☐ Signed Application
- ☐ Video Recording Link
- ☐ Attached Resume or CV
- ☐ Copy of Submitted FAFSA
- ☐ Undergraduate or Community College Transcript
- ☐ Nursing Program Admissions Letter or Enrollment Verification

**Send application materials to the Elk Grove Alumnae Chapter to:**

**[EGACScholarships@gmail.com](mailto:EGACScholarships@gmail.com) Or Mail to:**

**Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.  
Elk Grove Alumnae Chapter  
Attention Scholarship Chair  
4801 Laguna Blvd  
Suite 105, Box 257  
Elk Grove, CA 95758**

**REMINDER:**

**The deadline for this application to be received is:**

***April 30, 2026***

***Thank you for your submission!***

