



**Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.  
St. Louis Alumnae Chapter  
2017-2018 Year**

**Delta G.E.M.S. (*Growing and Empowering Myself Successfully*)**

**RETURNING GEMS APPLICATION**

A natural outgrowth and expansion for the continuation of the highly successful “Dr. Betty Shabaaz Delta Academy: Catching the Dreams of Tomorrow,” Delta GEMS was created to “catch the dreams” of African American high school aged girls (Freshman - Senior). Delta GEMS provides the frame work to actualize those dreams through performance of specific tasks that develop a “CAN DO” attitude. The goals of Delta GEMS are:

- Δ To instill the need to excel academically;
- Δ To provide tools that enable girls to sharpen and enhance their skills to achieve high levels of academic success;
- Δ To assist girls in proper goal setting and planning for their futures --- high school and beyond; and
- Δ To create compassionate, caring, and community minded young women by actively involving them in service learning and community service opportunities.

The Delta GEMS framework is composed of five major components (Scholarship, Sisterhood, Show Me the Money, Service, and Infinitely Complete), forming a road map for college and career planning. Topics within the five major components are designed to provide interactive lessons and activities that provide opportunities for self-reflection and individual growth.

All participants must meet the following criteria:

- Δ A high school student<sup>1</sup>
- Δ Completed profile sheet
- Δ Submit an essay about why she wants to be a member of the Delta GEMS
- Δ Consistent attendance to monthly meetings and scheduled service projects
- Δ A POSITIVE ATTITUDE!

<sup>1</sup> All applicants that are currently in high school must provide their report cards for the previous January--May 2017 semester.

**\*\*The standard meeting date and time for the Delta GEMS is the second and fourth Saturdays of every month from 1:00 - 3:00 pm unless otherwise determined.\*\***

Please complete all sections of the attached profile sheet and provide all required attachments and e-mail them to [dstslagems@gmail.com](mailto:dstslagems@gmail.com).

**The application must be received ELECTRONICALLY by Tuesday, October 31, 2017.**

***NO applications will be accepted after this date!***



## Delta GEMS Profile Sheet

*(Please Type or Print Legibly)*

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Applicant Name (Last, First, MI)			DOB/Age	
Applicant Address		City	State	Zip
Home Phone Number/Cell Phone Number		E-mail Address		
Parent(s)/Legal Guardian Name (s)			Parent(s) Email Address	

### HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

School Name	Current Grade/Current GPA
School Address	

### COMMUNITY SERVICE & SCHOOL INVOLVEMENT

Community Service Organization & Role	School Activity & Role

### HONORS & AWARDS


Are you a Delta Academy graduate? Yes      or No      (please check one)

Is there anything that you would like to share that you believe would aid the committee in the decision making process?

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## Delta GEMS Application Checklist

*(Please Type or Print Legibly)*

***In order to submit a complete application packet, you will need the following items:***

### **ALL APPLICANTS**

- Completed application including signature of applicant and parent(s) or legal guardian.
- Resume (include community service, jobs, positions held in school and/or church, etc.)
- Official School Issued Report card
- Health Forms
- Parental Forms

### **NEW APPLICANTS**

- Typed Essay
  - On a separate sheet of paper, please complete your typed essay of 250 words or less describing how you would benefit from the Delta GEMS program.
  - Be sure to include your FULL

**Participant's Signature**                      **(Type Electronic Signature)**      **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent(s)/Legal Guardian's Signature** **(Type Electronic Signature)**      **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

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**E-MAIL PROFILE SHEET & ATTACHMENTS TO: [dstslagems@gmail.com](mailto:dstslagems@gmail.com)**

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