

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter



2024 Scholarship Presentation

Information Packet

DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.



Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter



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Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
P.O. Box 1911
Fort Worth, Texas 76101

Greetings,

On behalf of The Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., we thank you for showing interest in the Jabberwock Scholarship Presentation. We are honored to have the opportunity of positively impacting the lives of many young girls and look forward to working with this year's participants. It is our sincere hope that this Jabberwock experience will enhance each participant's development into womanhood through preparation for the Jabberwock Presentation. We look forward to serving as your chairs. Again, we appreciate your interest and look forward to a great Jabberwock Scholarship Presentation and wish you the best of luck during this year's Miss Jabberwock!

Warmest regards,

Demetrice S. Thompson

Demetrice S. Thompson, President

Jordan Stinnett, Chair

Jasmine Tucker, Co-Chair

Dalana Woods, Co-Chair



The Jabberwock is a fundraising activity for scholarships and other public service programs that began as unique means of raising scholarship funds. The word Jabberwock, copyrighted by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., was taken from Lewis Carroll's tale, Alice's Adventure in Wonderland. In the poem "Jabberwocky," it was customary for creatures from throughout the kingdom to gather annually to present a gala pageant. The first "Jabberwock" was presented in 1925 in Boston, Massachusetts, by members of Iota Chapter to find some new method of raising money for their scholarship fund.

Conceptualized many years ago as a musical variety show that consisted of skits and dances, the Jabberwock has since evolved into a more diverse program that continues to raise funds for scholarships and other Delta sponsored public service projects. Historically, "Jabberwock" funds were earmarked for scholarships to be given by the sponsoring chapter to youth of promise and ability and for public service projects. It now also represents an evening of sophistication and entertainment that showcases the young women and their accomplishments while advancing the goals and objectives of Delta's scholarship program.

The Jabberwock participants consist of girls in their senior year of high school. In preparation for the Jabberwock Presentation each participant is encouraged to take part in fundraising activities to compete for awards, the title of Miss Jabberwock and winning scholarships. All awards presented at the Jabberwock Scholarship Presentation are scheduled to be held on April 6, 2024.

2024 Miss Jabberwock Presentation

Eligibility Requirements

In order to be eligible to participate in the April 6, 2024, Jabberwock Presentation sponsored by the Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. all participants must meet the following requirements:

1. Be a female senior, graduating during the 2023 - 2024 school year.
2. Must be single, never married and have no children.
3. Must exhibit good character.
4. Sign along with parent(s) or legal guardian, the Jabberwock Agreement/Liability Release Form.
5. **Participants are required to raise five hundred dollars (\$500) in ads or monetary donations to be in the Jabberwock Presentation, which are non refundable or transferable if the participant withdraws from the competition;** to be considered for scholarship awards participants are required to raise a minimum of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750). **The minimum amount of \$500 must be submitted by the January 20th collection.**
6. Participants are required to sell a minimum of three (3) tickets to the Miss Jabberwock Scholarship Presentation in April 2024. Final ticket sales must be submitted by the **March 17th collection.** *If money is turned in after the deadline of **March 17th**, the money will count for the scholarship but not towards the crowning of Miss Jabberwock.*
7. Must obtain one (1) recommendation letter from an academic official (school counselor, teacher, principal).
8. Must make every effort to attend ALL rehearsals. Only excused absences will be accepted.
9. Participants must wear a formal white ball gown for the Jabberwock Presentation.
10. Must comply with the Youth Participant Virtual Meeting and Publicity Code of Conduct.
11. Must keep all fundraising activities in good taste and be representative of the sorority.
12. Must submit all funds solicited in the name of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter to the financial agent at reporting periods.
13. Must not modify the official ad solicitation letter personally signed by the chapter's President, Demetrice Thompson, although a personal note or attachment may be included.
14. Parents may use crowdfunding (e.g. GoFundMe) to support their child's efforts but the sites must be reviewed and approved by the chapter president prior to launch. Crowdfunding accounts will be monitored, and a detailed report of all monies collected must be submitted on the last collection date **March 17, 2024.**
15. Participants have the opportunity to prepare and submit essays for entry into the Barbara Jordan Essay Contest and the Beta Rho Education and Development (BREAD) Essay Contest by the respective established deadlines.

***Presentation location and date subject to change**

Parent Statement of Commitment and Responsibility

I _____ (Parent/Guardian) give permission for my child to participate in the 2024 Jabberwock Scholarship Presentation including the planned activities and rehearsals. I will be responsible for all money collected from ads, patrons, and miscellaneous fundraising until it is submitted to the Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. As the parent/guardian, I know that I am responsible for ensuring the completion of the participant responsibilities (listed below). I do hereby grant permission to the Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. to use the image of my child. Such use includes the display, distribution, publication, transmission, or otherwise use of photographs and/or video images taken of my child for use in materials that include, but may not be limited to, printed materials such as newsletters, videos, and digital images such as those on the Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. web pages. I accept that these images are the property of the Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and I will not receive compensation for these images or the use of these images.

Parent/Guardian Initials required for the following list of Participant and Family Responsibilities:

- ___ Support all activities and rehearsals
- ___ Transportation to and from all included activities
- ___ Solicit a minimum of \$500 non refundable or transferable funds in advertisements for souvenir journal
- ___ Provide participant with attire for the Jabberwock Showcase
- ___ Adhere to any changes in Calendar or Program Updates
- ___ I understand that if I attend Jabberwock workshops with my child that I must complete FWA's volunteer application packet, screening process, background check and attend a risk management training session. This applies to all adults 18 years⁺

Please Note:

- All payments must be made payable to: **Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**
- All monies received by the organization are non-refundable and non-transferable if the participant withdraws from the competition.
- All participants are expected to attend all activities and all event rehearsals.

***Presentation location and date subject to change**

**Note: In the event of an absence, please notify a Jabberwock Chairperson at least 48-hours prior to the scheduled event. Extenuating circumstances will be considered on an individual basis and should be brought to the attention of a Jabberwock Chairperson.*

As the Participant and the parent/guardian, we have read the application packet and the list of Responsibilities and agree to follow the content as written. We affirm there are no reasons why the participant named below cannot participate in activities and health will be the responsibility of the participant and family. We accept that Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and the members involved in the Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter Jabberwock Scholarship Program are not responsible for health problems or injuries acquired during Jabberwock activities.

Participant's Name _____
Participant's Signature _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____
Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date: _____

Letter of Commitment/Intent/Liability

I _____ as a participant in the Jabberwock agree to the following terms:

_____ I will maintain good moral character and good standing within my school and community as stated in the requirements for prospective participants.

_____ I understand that all monies raised and collected as a Jabberwock participant will be reported to the Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. at each reporting period.

_____ I understand that **March 17, 2024**, is the absolute last date to submit advertisements and report monies for the Miss Jabberwock competition. **Ads received after March 17, 2024, will not be accepted.**

_____ I understand that I must raise a minimum of \$500 in advertisements for the souvenir journal to participate in the presentation and an amount of at least \$750 to be in the scholarship competition. **Minimum of \$500 must be submitted by January 20th collection.**

_____ I understand that if I withdraw from the Jabberwock competition, I will advise the Jabberwock chairperson in writing and all collected monies will be non refundable or transferable.

_____ I understand that if a circumstance arises that deem it necessary to miss an activity or rehearsal, I will contact the chairperson.

_____ I understand that all funds collected for the Jabberwock Presentation belong to the Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Participant's Name _____
Participant's
Signature _____ Date _____

I _____, Parent/Guardian of _____ participant in Jabberwock 2024, do hereby agree and intend to be bound by the terms and conditions of the guidelines for the participants as set forth by the Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

I do hereby hold harmless Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. of any and all liability should any harm befall _____ while participating in any scheduled Jabberwock activities.

Parent/Guardian Name _____
Parent/Guardian
Signature _____ Date _____



Miss Jabberwock 2024 Participant Application

Sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated
Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter

One typed letter of recommendation from an academic official (principal, counselor, or teacher) must accompany all applications.

Participant Information:

Name: _____ DOB _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Telephone (Home) _____ (Cell) _____
Email address _____
School Name _____ Year of Graduation _____

Parent Information:

Mother: _____ Phone: _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Email address _____
Father: _____ Phone: _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Email address _____

Please use the Packet Checklist below to ensure that all documents for the application have been received, by November 13, 2023:

Packet Checklist:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Complete Participant Application
<input type="checkbox"/>	Letter of recommendation from Academic Official
<input type="checkbox"/>	Signed Parent/Participant Responsibilities Form
<input type="checkbox"/>	Signed Letter of Intent/Liability
<input type="checkbox"/>	Completed Participant Biography
<input type="checkbox"/>	Completed Youth Application Packet (Risk Management Packet)

Please email the completed packet with all pages signed to jabberwock@fortworthdst.org



Miss Jabberwock 2024

Participant Biography

PLEASE TYPE or PRINT NEATLY AND CLEARLY

Participant's Full Name: _____
(first) (middle) (last)

Parents:

Mother: _____ Father: _____

Participant's High School: _____

High School Scholastic Honors/Awards/Recognitions:

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Extra-Curricular/Sports/Clubs:

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

Volunteer/Community Service:

- _____
- _____



Miss Jabberwock 2024 Participant Biography

Current Job/Employment (if applicable):

Church:

Name: _____ City, State _____

Pastor's Name: _____

Church Involvement/activities:

Favorite/Guiding Scripture: *Ex: Jeremiah 29:11 - For I know the plans I have for you...*

(Book, Chapter, Verse, & Quote)

College Preferred/Plans to Attend:

Name: _____ City, State _____

Degree Major: _____ Minor: _____

Career Aspiration/Occupation: _____

Hobbies:

What do you enjoy: _____

2024 MISS JABBERWOCK PRESENTATION

YOUTH INITIATIVE VIRTUAL MEETING AND PUBLICITY CODE OF CONDUCT

The Youth Participant Virtual Meeting and Publicity Code of Conduct serves as codified guidance for youth participation in Delta's Youth Initiative Programs, namely those of a virtual nature. Your signature on the Participation agreement indicates your complete understanding and agreement to comply with this Code of Conduct.

Failure to comply with this Code of Conduct may result in loss of privileges and/or removal from Delta's Virtual Youth Initiative Programs. As a youth participant in Delta's Virtual Youth Initiative Programs you are expected to:

- **Refrain from use of any profane, foul, hurtful, obscene or vulgar language** in any virtual chatroom and during the virtual meetings and events;
- **Refrain from engaging in any violence, cyber-bullying¹, or other aggressive behaviors** that may threaten the welfare of other participants;
- **Refrain from any disruptive behavior that may disrupt the virtual meetings and events;**
- **Be properly groomed and dressed for all virtual youth initiative meetings and events**, refrain from wearing articles of clothing that displays profane or obscene language and/or images;
- **Keep your camera on at all times during all virtual youth initiative meetings and events;**
- **Provide a noise-free environment while participating in any and all virtual youth initiative meetings and events;**
- **Refrain from taking, presenting, and posting any photographs, screen shots, video recordings, and/or screen recordings of any virtual youth initiative meetings or any confidential information disseminated during any virtual youth initiative meetings;**
- **Refrain from taking, presenting, and posting any and all inappropriate content** including photographs, screen shots, video recordings, and/or screen recordings of any other youth participants of Delta's youth initiative programs;
- **Contact the leader of your youth initiative program if you have any questions or need clarification regarding the Code of Conduct.**

SANCTIONS FOR VIOLATING CODE OF CONDUCT

- **Bad Language/Abusive Teasing and Related Acts:**
 - 1st Time: Verbal warning, parent or guardian notified from this point forward
 - 2nd Time: Loss of privileges
 - 3rd Time: 1-week suspension from program
 - Next occurrence youth is removed from the program.
- **Physical Violence and Other Misconduct:**
 - 1st Time: Removal from situation, loss of privileges, guardian notified from this point forward
 - Next occurrence youth is removed from the program.
- **Illegal Substances or Dangerous Weapons – 1st Time: Youth is removed from the program.** If a youth is in possession of an illegal substance or dangerous weapon, the police will be notified as well.

¹ As defined in Delta's *Technology Guidelines*

2024 MISS JABBERWOCK IMPORTANT DATES

Note: All workshops and reporting days will be held at the **Bethlehem Center– 951 Evans Avenue Fort Worth, TX 76104**

ACTIVITY/WORKSHOP DAYS

Kick Off	Saturday, October 21, 2023	10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	In-Person
Workshop 1	Saturday, November 18, 2023	10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Virtual Meeting
Workshop 2	Saturday, December 2, 2023	10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	In-Person
Workshop 3	Saturday, January 20, 2024	10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	In-Person
Workshop 4	Saturday, February 17, 2024	10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	In-Person

COLLECTION DAYS

Collection 1	Saturday, December 2, 2023	11:00 a.m.	In-Person
Collection 2 *minimum \$500 due	Saturday, January 20, 2024	11:00 a.m.	In-Person
Collection 3	Saturday, February 17, 2024	11:00 a.m.	In-Person
Collection 4	Sunday, March 17, 2024	5pm	In-Person

MISS JABBERWOCK 2024 REHEARSAL & PRESENTATION **(Location to be determined)**

Rehearsal #1	Sunday, February 11, 2024	5-7pm	In-Person
Rehearsal #2	Sunday, February 25, 2024	5-7pm	In-Person
Rehearsal #3	Sunday, March 3, 2024	5-7pm	In-Person
Rehearsal #4	Sunday, March 17, 2024	5-7pm	In-Person
Rehearsal #5	Sunday, March 24, 2024	5-7pm	In-Person
Final Run Through	Friday, April 5, 2024	5-7pm	In-Person
Presentation Day	Saturday, April 6, 2024	Location to TBD	In-Person

***** COLLECTION of ADVERTISEMENTS *****

Ad sales will end on Saturday, March 17, 2024, at 11:00 am. All ads must be complete (photo and message) and submitted through the virtual platform indicated by the Committee by **Saturday, March 17, 2024.**

All cash must be converted to a check or money order prior to collections. **We are unable to accept cash.** All checks and money orders should be made out to DST FWA or Delta Sigma Theta FWA.

RETURNED CHECKS: A returned check fee will be charged for each check returned by the bank. Checks will not be submitted a second time. Participants will not receive credit for any unredeemed returned checks. In the event that checks are returned due to **insufficient funds** and the checks are not redeemed, the amount of the checks plus any bank charges will be deducted from the recipient's award.

FINAL COLLECTION: Saturday, March 17, 2024 - **Appointment times will be assigned** - This is the **last** day funds will be accepted to be applied toward the naming of Miss Jabberwock. **Ads received after March 17, 2024, will not be accepted. Any additional funds will be accepted towards your scholarship but will not count towards the final counts for Miss Jabberwock. For any ad purchased prior to March 16, 2024, for which text and photo (if applicable) have not been received by March 16, 2024, the Chapter reserves the right to use a standard ad template and headshot (if applicable).**

Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter
DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.
A Public Service Sorority Founded in 1913
P. O. Box 1911
Fort Worth, Texas 76101

Greetings:

We would like to introduce _____, as a participant in the 2024 MISS JABBERWOCK Presentation.

Through this valuable fund-raising activity, all young ladies will be awarded a college scholarship or book stipend on **Saturday, April 6, 2024**. This participant is authorized to contact individuals, businesses, and other organizations in support of these projects. Your contributions will be acknowledged in the 2024 MISS JABBERWOCK souvenir journal.

Please make checks payable to *Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.* We prefer payment by PayPal; however, donations paid by check will be gladly accepted, no cash will be accepted. If desired, a receipt for your donation can be obtained from your participant.

We appreciate your support in making our 2024 MISS JABBERWOCK Presentation a success.

Sincerely,

Demetrice S. Thompson

Demetrice S. Thompson, President
jabberwock@fortworthdst.org
817-939-1053

Jordan Stinnett, Jabberwock Chair
817-929-1209

Jasmine Tucker, Co-Chair
817-851-6426

Dalana Woods, Co-Chair
817-919-2936

FORT WORTH ALUMNAE CHAPTER
DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.

MISS JABBERWOCK DIGITAL SOUVENIR JOURNAL

The Digital Souvenir Journal will be developed from ads provided by each participant, event photos and formal portraits that the committee will arrange. The ads may come from family, friends, churches, businesses, civic organizations, etc. all giving congratulatory expressions to the participants. **Ads received after March 17, 2024, will not be accepted. For any ad purchased prior to March 17, 2024, for which text and photo (if applicable) have not been received by March 17, 2024, the Chapter reserves the right to use a standard ad template and headshot (if applicable).**

****Digital Souvenir journals** – every participant will receive a digital souvenir journal that can be distributed to their patrons.**

Please refer to the following guidelines as you solicit contributions:

ADS

Ad prices are as follows:

Full Page	\$125.00
Half (1/2) Page	\$85.00
Fourth (1/4) Page	\$60.00
Eighth (1/8) Page/Business Card	\$45.00
*Inside Front Cover (Premium Page)	\$350.00
*Inside Back Cover (Premium Page)	\$350.00
*Outside Back Cover (Premium Page)	\$500.00

**Note: Available on a first come, first serve basis.*

PATRONS

Contributions less than \$45.00 will be considered Patrons. Names should be listed by the participant on the Patron Listing Form. PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY.

PHOTOS

- Photos may be placed on FULL and HALF page ads only. Full page ads may have a maximum of two (2) pictures and half page ads may have only one (1) picture. *****WHEN PREPARING AND SUBMITTING YOUR FULL & HALF PAGE ADS ELECTRONICALLY, YOU MUST ADHERE TO THIS PHOTO LIMITATION.*****
- All pictures presented for the Souvenir Journal must be in good taste. If the picture submitted is not appropriate, it will not appear in the Journal.
- Please submit all photos digitally (in .JPEG format) via the link that will be provided to you. If you are using the same picture for multiple ads, please number the picture and indicate on the AD form the number of the photo to be used.
- Dark colored business cards DO NOT PRINT well. You may submit them, but please advise your patron that the printing may be less than perfect.

SUBMITTING ADS/PHOTOS ELECTRONICALLY

Please email ads and photos to dalenabdst@gmail.com AND copy jabberwock@fortworthdst.org

COPIES OF ADS DO NOT RENDER THE BEST RESOLUTION FOR PRINTING. THE ORIGINAL is always preferred.

- The subject line should include - JABBERWOCK AD - PARTICIPANT NAME.
- Be sure to include the name and size (i.e. FULL page, Half (1/2) Page, etc. of the Ad that photos should be attached to.
- INCOMPLETE Ad forms (i.e., missing message and/or photo) will be printed with the information provided; the message and photo should be turned in WITH THE AD FORM during the collection period.
- If you plan to email the Ad (in lieu of submitting online), please include a Copy of the ad with the Ad Form and indicate that the original will be emailed.
- PHOTOS – **should be submitted electronically in .JPEG format** and may be included on an attached disk or jump drive at the time the Ad is submitted or may be emailed electronically **NO LATER THAN THE FINAL COLLECTIONS DATE – MARCH 16, 2024.**
- Photos should be of high quality/high resolution. Please remember, if the photo submitted is blurred or bad quality. It will look much worse in print. *** It is recommended that you DO NOT SUBMIT CELL PHONE PHOTOS - the resolution is usually too low for professional printing.
- We strongly discourage the use of hard copy photos to get the best possible resolution for printing purposes. Instead, photos **should be submitted electronically in .JPEG format.**
- If you opt to email your ads (in lieu of submitting online), missing info (messages/photos/business cards) that is not submitted by the **FINAL COLLECTIONS DATE – MARCH 16, 2024**, the ad will be printed without the missing info.
- PLEASE REMEMBER: Ads not submitted by the deadline will not be included in the Souvenir Journal and no refunds will be issued.
- Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Fort Worth Alumnae Chapter reserves the right to exclude any ad submitted that is deemed in poor taste.

Dalena Brigance

Designed4u

dalenabdst@gmail.com

Phone: 817-269-9849

EXAMPLE

Circle applicable information: (attach cards & pictures with paper clips) AD # 2

MESSAGE:

CARD:
(Do not write on front)

PICTURE:
(Full and ½ pages only)

Dear Yara, We Know you will do well. Continue in your pursuits.

Best Wishes, Serena

Ad size: 1/2 page Amount \$85.00 Check #: 1913 Cash _____ PayPal _____

Participant's Name Yara Shahidi Telephone: 817.555.1212

Shared Ad with: _____

Ad Name: Serena Williams

Check Name: Mrs. S. Ohanian


Business Card or 1/8 Page - \$45.00

¼ Page - \$60.00

½ Page - \$85.00
Ad may include 1 Photo

Full Page - \$125.00
Ad May Include up to 2 Photos

EXAMPLE

Serena Williams 4954 Hollywood Blvd. Los Angeles, CA 92341	#1 Make checks payable to Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.	1234
		DATE March 16, 2024
PAY TO THE ORDER OF	Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.	\$ 85.00
	eighty five dollars and 00/100	DOLLARS <i>f</i>
FOR Issa Rae	#2 Insert the participant's name in the memo field	
		■ 123456789 ■ 7890 5673 ■

