



February 2, 2012

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the Seven Roses Legacy Foundation Scholarship. The Seven Roses Legacy Foundation is a 501(c)3 organization and serves as the philanthropic arm of Eta Nu Sigma Alumnae Chapter of Brooklyn and Queens. Eta Nu Sigma is a graduate chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. that provides community service and scholastic opportunities and assistance to the communities of Brooklyn and Queens. Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. was founded on November 12, 1922 at Butler University by seven African-American schoolteachers. Undergraduate and graduate chapters throughout the United States and the world implement various programs during the sorority year to ensure in fulfilling our motto, "Greater Service, Greater Progress."

Each year, the Seven Roses Legacy Foundation awards three book scholarships in the amount of \$500, \$750, and \$1,000 to graduating high school seniors throughout Brooklyn and Queens who attend public and private schools, and who will enroll in a community college, four-year college or trade school the following September. Non-U.S. citizens are eligible to apply. The contest is open to boys and girls. A formal presentation is made to the three recipients at our annual Golden Mother's Day Scholarship Jazz Brunch. Recipients must attend the brunch. This year, our brunch will be held at the Yale Club in New York City on Saturday, May 12, 2012.

The book scholarships we award are primarily based on writing an essay. There are four essay prompts from which to choose. Choose one question and develop your answer in at least 4 typed, double-spaced pages using clear, original thought supported by personal experiences, observations, and formal research:

- Identify a piece of legislation recently voted into law or being debated locally, in another state or nationally. What effect(s) would it have on the members of your graduating class academically, financially, and/or personally? If the impact is negative, identify some ways you and your peers can rise above it and move forward in your personal and professional lives as citizens?
- With large cuts to education being made or proposed in our state and federal budgets, identify ways you think this may affect you as a young adult entering college? What solutions would you recommend to both the colleges in which you're applying to AND to the state and/or federal governments?
- Discuss the attributes from a community service organization whose mission you can identify with. Name at least three stakeholders who have benefited from this organization's services and

how. In what ways has this organization's service influenced your life and/or your surrounding community?

- Identify an issue or dilemma that you would like to change in your community. How would you go about impacting change?

**Before sending your application, make sure that you have completed the following:**

- Clearly printed or typed the answers in the required fields of the application on the following two pages.
- Typed your four-page essay using Times New Roman font, 12-point size, and 1-inch margins. Each page must be 8 ½" by 11". Essays fewer than four pages are automatically disqualified.
- Enclosed a **current** and **official** high school transcript from your school, sealed in a separate envelope.
- Enclosed a resume.
- Enclosed one letter of recommendation from a teacher, spiritual leader or mentor, sealed in a separate envelope.
- Enclosed a copy of a student identification card with your picture, current passport, or driver permit or license to prove your identity.
- Signed the bottom of your application.

**All required documents must be received by March 30, 2012 in one envelope.**

**Mail the completed application, essay, resume, sealed transcript, and sealed letter of recommendation to:**

**Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.  
Eta Nu Sigma Alumnae Chapter  
Djenny Passé-Rodriguez  
P.O. Box 6474  
New York, NY 10150**

Should you have any questions about the scholarship application process, do not hesitate to email me at [scholarships@sevenroses.org](mailto:scholarships@sevenroses.org)

A copy of the scholarship application and more information about the **Seven Roses Legacy Foundation** can be accessed at [www.sevenroses.org](http://www.sevenroses.org) or <http://etanusigma.org/events>

For information about **Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.**, visit [www.sgrho1922.org](http://www.sgrho1922.org)

Sincerely,

Djenny Passé-Rodriguez  
Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.  
Eta Nu Sigma Alumnae Chapter of Brooklyn and Queens  
Seven Roses Legacy Foundation Scholarship Chairperson



**SIGMA GAMMA RHO SORORITY, INC.**  
**ETA NU SIGMA ALUMNAE CHAPTER OF BROOKLYN AND QUEENS**  
**2012 Seven Roses Legacy Foundation Scholarship Application**

Today's Date \_\_\_\_\_

1. \_\_\_\_\_  
Last Name First Name Middle Name

2. \_\_\_\_\_  
Address City State Zip Code

3. \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian's Name(s)

4. \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Telephone Number Cell Phone Number

5. \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address

6. \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of High School

7. \_\_\_\_\_  
High School Address City State Zip Code

8. \_\_\_\_\_  
Principal's Name

9. \_\_\_\_\_  
Guidance Counselor or College Advisor's Name Email Address

10. \_\_\_\_\_  
GPA/Cumulative Average  
Enclose current official school transcript for verification.

**11. List the extracurricular activities in which you are involved.**

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**12. Discuss your academic plans upon graduating from high school.**

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**13. List the colleges or trade schools to which you have applied:**

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_

**14. What is your intended major or area of interest?**

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**15. How did you find out about the Seven Roses Legacy Foundation Scholarship?**

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**I hereby certify that all the information is complete and accurate.**

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**Applicant's Signature**