

2019-2020 Debutante Cotillion and Scholarship Ball



Dear Prospective Applicant:

It is with great pleasure that the Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated announces its Sub Debutante Program of its **2019-2020 Gwinnett Pearls of Service Debutante Cotillion and Scholarship Program**. Participants of this program are given, in essence a preview of the Debutante Program via participation in community service projects; cultural activities; educational workshops and monthly meetings focused on character development, social etiquette and other imperative life skills. At the culmination of the program, Sub-Debutantes (also referred to as Junior Debutantes) will be presented during the formal Cotillion and Scholarship Ball.

The Sub Debutante program application process has begun, and each applicant is asked to first ensure she meets the minimum requirements as noted below and if affirmative, proceed with the specific application process as outlined in this packet. All applicants are reminded to adhere to the stated deadlines and take heed of the additional requirements as outlined in this packet. Thank you for your interest in this program and we are honored that you chose to apply to become a Sub-Debutante with the Gwinnett Pearls of Service and the Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated!

Program Minimum Requirements

- Must classify as a freshman or sophomore in high school or home school as of August 2019.
- Must exhibit high moral and ethical standards.
- Must be unmarried, not expecting and have no children.
- Must be available for an in person interview.

Process Once Minimum Requirements (above) Are Met

- Complete attached application. Please answer every section as *incomplete applications will not be accepted*.
- Email or mail **completed application packets** to be received by **Saturday, August 17, 2019** for review by the Gwinnett Pearls of Service Foundation, Incorporated (the charitable arm of the Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated). A **\$25 non-refundable deposit is due with your application** packet. *Only completed application packets with application fee inclusion will be considered*. Make check or money order payable to Gwinnett Pearls of Service. **Mailing Address:** Post Office Box 670 – Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046. **Email:** uaocotillion@upsilonalphaomega.com. Credit card payments can be made using this link <https://squareup.com/market/GPS/> or you can visit www.gwinnettpearlsofservice.com. Click “Online Store for Assessments, Donations and Tickets”. Under Donation Items, click the “2019-2020 Cotillion Application Fee” icon. Please indicate the applicant’s name prior to submission of payment. Your credit card payment *will be subject to a credit card fee of \$1.25*.
- Letters of program acceptance will be emailed to the applicable applicants by August 31, 2019.
- Once accepted, a *nonrefundable* **program fee of \$150** should be mailed (and postmarked for receipt) no later than **September 14, 2019**. Make check or money order payable to Gwinnett Pearls of Service – Post Office Box 670 – Lawrenceville, Georgia 30046. Credit card payments can be made using this link <https://squareup.com/market/GPS/> or you can visit www.gwinnettpearlsofservice.com. Click “Online Store for Assessments, Donations and

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Tickets". Under Donation Items, click the "2019-2020 Cotillion Program Fee" icon. Please indicate the applicant's name prior to submission of payment. Your credit card payment *will be subject to a credit card fee of \$6.00.*

- Sub-Debutantes, along with at least one parent, should be prepared to attend our Parent Meeting/Program Orientation on Saturday, **September 7, 2019**.

Program Overview

The Sub-Debutantes of the Gwinnett Pearls of Service Debutante Cotillion and Scholarship Program participate in programs/activities focused on broadening their perspectives educationally, socially and culturally. The infusion of social activities will enable the participants to bond with their fellow Sub-Debs and possibly sharpen social skills needed in their final High School years. The formal Cotillion and Scholarship Ball provides the opportunity for the community to share in the culmination of the program.

Following the aforementioned application process/requirements, the accepted young ladies will receive correspondence detailing the date, time, and location of the Parent Meeting/Program Orientation. This orientation meeting should be attended by both the Sub-Debs and at least one parent as a complete overview of the program, important dates and events will be disseminated. Sub-Debutantes should dress in business attire for the orientation. If you have any questions or concerns prior to the official orientation, please email all inquiries to uaocotillion@upsilonalphaomega.com.

Participant's Expectations

Albeit hard work and commitment, Sub-Debutantes participating in 2019-2020 Debutante Cotillion and Scholarship Program will reap great rewards. Therefore, there are some expectations for each young lady to successfully complete the program. Sub-Debutantes choosing to participate will be *required* to:

- Remit a \$150 Program fee (check, money order or credit card) by September 14, 2019. **NOTE:** Payments postmarked after September 14, 2019 may not be considered for the program. This fee will cover months of cultural activities, educational workshops and community service projects.
- Purchase at minimum 5 tickets (half table) for friends, family and other supporters for the 2020 Debutante Cotillion and Scholarship Program Ball @ \$75 per ticket.
- Attend *all* scheduled program events. The chapter is aware that scheduling conflicts beyond the Sub-Debutante's control may occur and, provided that an acceptable "proof of absence" is presented, the absence will not count against her. However, at minimum, each Sub-Debutante is expected to attend at least 90% of the scheduled events and activities.
- Purchase the designated Cotillion gown and applicable accessories to wear during the ball and adhere to the overall look in terms of hair, nails, etc. **NOTE:** The Cotillion Formalwear Sub-Committee will provide specifics on selected gown, shoes, etc.

Student Information								
Name								
Address								
City, State					Zip			
Email								
Cell Phone				Home Phone				
Date of Birth				Grade 2019-2020 SY				
High School								
School Address <i>Include County</i>								
The following section is for planning purposes and has no impact whatsoever on Sub-Deb selection process								
T-Shirt Size <i>Adult Women Sizes</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Small	<input type="checkbox"/> Med	<input type="checkbox"/> Large	<input type="checkbox"/> XL	<input type="checkbox"/> 2XL	<input type="checkbox"/> 3XL	<input type="checkbox"/> 4XL	
Are your ears pierced?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Are you allergic to nickel?					<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Shoe Size				List any allergies <i>(food or other)</i>				
HS Extra Curricular Activities <i>Include past, present as well as offices held. Band, cheerleader, Sports team, SGA etc.</i>								
Awards & Achievements Include honors such as BETA Club, honor roll and honor societies awards								
Community Service List any voluntary work you've performed intended to help people in a particular area (no older than 1½ years ago)								
YOUR COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT IDEAS (3)								
Parent/Guardian Information								

Parent/Guardian #1:			
Relationship to Student			
Address			
City, State		Zip	
Email			
Cell Phone			
Home Phone			
Parent/Guardian #2:			
Relationship to Student			
Address			
City, State		Zip	
Email			
Cell Phone			
Home Phone			
Emergency Contact #1			
Cell Phone			
Emergency Contact #2			
Cell Phone			

PARENT PARTICIPATION CONTRACT

By signing this form below, I affirm that all contents submitted in this 2019-2020 Sub-Debutante Cotillion and Scholarship Program application are accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that falsified statements and misrepresentations will result in my daughter's immediate dismissal from the program and that all fees paid up to that point, as well as balances owed, are non-refundable. I authorize representatives of the 2019-2020 Sub-Debutante Cotillion and Scholarship Program committee to verify statements made in the attached application packet.

- I agree that, as a parent of a Sub-Debutante, I will ensure my daughter adheres to program policies and regulations as communicated; pay a \$150 Program Fee; commit to the sale of a minimum of 5 ball tickets and other expenses not contained in this document by the date specified contained herein the packet.
- I agree to participate to my fullest in all events and programs relating to the 2019-2020 Debutante Cotillion and Scholarship Program and represent my daughter and the Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated with the utmost of courtesy, respect and dignity.
- I further authorize the 2019-2020 Debutante Cotillion and Scholarship Program committee and its representatives to use my daughter's name and likeness in relative media and in marketing the 2019-2020 Debutante Cotillion and Scholarship Program.
- I give my permission for my daughter to participate in all events within the Cotillion program including, but not limited to, sleepovers, community service projects, workshops and social events, with the understanding that the details of said events will be provided to me in advance and that all events will be staffed and chaperoned by numerous members of the Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated. I understand that Upsilon Alpha Omega and Gwinnett Pearls of Service Foundation, Inc., nor the individual members of these organizations are responsible for my child's transportation to and from events.
- The Gwinnett Pearls of Service Foundation, Inc. and Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter reserve the right to use photographs of me with or without my name and for any lawful purpose, including for example such purposes as publicity, illustration, advertising, and Web, or Social Media content.
- I hereby grant GPS, UAO and their respective affiliates, licensees, contractors, assignees, advertising agencies, and others directly or indirectly associated with the Debutante Cotillion, in perpetuity, the right to use in UAO's sole discretion, all or any parts of my child's picture, image, likeness, voice, name and biographical information, for the promotion of, use in, and promotion of the Debutante Cotillion, as solely determined by UAO, in any and all media, whether print, visual, aural, and/or all of a combination thereof, now known or hereafter at any time developed throughout the universe, including, without limitation, television, web casting, and Internet distribution.
- I agree to indemnify and hold harmless GPS, UAO and their respective agents, representatives, affiliated entities, successors, heirs and designees or legatees, harmless from and against any and all claims, damages, liabilities, cost and expenses, associated with my child's participation in the Debutante Cotillion.
- The Gwinnett Pearls of Service Foundation, Inc. and Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter reserve the right to eliminate any incomplete, unsigned, late or illegible application from consideration.
- The Gwinnett Pearls of Service Foundation and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated, Upsilon Alpha Omega Chapter retains the right to exercise exclusive control, regarding the participation of any applicant in the 2019-2020 Debutante Cotillion Program by declining an applicant's participation, withdrawing the privilege of

participation, or by further declining any participant's continued participation in the Cotillion Season, including the culminating event.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS CAREFULLY READ THIS AUTHORIZATION AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS ITS CONTENTS. UNDERSIGNED/PARTICIPANT IS AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND WAIVER OF RIGHTS, AND THE PARTICIPANT AGREES TO VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATE AS A HOST/HOSTESS IN THE DEBUTANTE COTILLION AND AGREES TO THE CONDITIONS SET FORTH HEREIN OF HIS/HER/THEIR OWN FREE WILL.

Sub-Deb PRINTED Name	
Parent PRINTED Name	
Parent SIGNATURE	
Date	