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Dear Parents,

I want to begin by thanking you for all the hard work that you have done both before and during the pandemic. I realize that these have indeed been some difficult times and I want to acknowledge all your time and effort.

I am writing on behalf of the Augusta Alumnae Chapter (AAC) of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. As many of you are already aware, AAC has youth initiative programs focused on educating and enhancing the lives of our local African American youth. These programs were developed to help engage and guide our young people in their future pursuits. For many years we have worked with the local school system to utilize their expertise in recommending students that would most benefit from our programs.

AAC has three distinct youth programs. These programs are free and have been designed to provide multiple opportunities for emotional, cultural, and educational growth. The Dr. Betty Shabazz Delta Academy which is geared toward 11- to 14-year-old young women, is designed to enrich and enhance the education that our young teens receive in public schools. The primary goal of the program is to prepare young girls for full participation as leaders in the 21st Century. The Dr. Jeanne L. Noble GEMS (Growing & Empowering Myself Successfully) which was created to catch the dreams of African American at-risk, adolescent girls aged 14 to 18 years old offers a road map for college and career planning through activities that provide opportunities for self-reflection and individual growth. And lastly, EMBODI (Empowering Males to Build Opportunities for Developing Independence) is for males from ages 13 – 17. This program seeks to expose young men to STEM education, self-efficacy, leadership, physical and mental health and fiscal management.

Augusta Alumnae Chapter needs your help. We are seeking young people who have the ability to become successful in their pursuits but may need some guidance to achieve their goals. We always strive to make it a fun learning experience.

Please take a few minutes to consider enrolling your young person(s) in one of our programs and encourage their participation. Thank you for your help with our program. *Remember, it takes a village to raise a child.* If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kimberly Hayes at <u>AACDSTRiskManagement@gmail.com</u>.

Sincerely,

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