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Dear Teacher/Administrator,

The Houston Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated's Arts and Letters Committee is proud to announce its second Short Story Writing Contest for 6th, 7th and 8th graders in Houston area schools. Last year we had over 60 entries from schools across the area and we look forward to reading more of the creative and inspiring works of our youth. If you are interested in receiving a copy of last year's compilation titled, "Fresh Words..." it may be purchased online at www.lulu.com and enter "Fresh Words" under the keyword search.

We hope that you will share this information with your students who may be aspiring authors for a chance to get their work published. There is no cost to participate. Please see the attached information for contest details. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us via email at arts@dsthoustonalumnae.org.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Sincerely, Tia N. Locke-Simmons
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**Houston Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated
Arts & Letters Committee presents
2015 Short Story Writing Contest
Contest Guidelines**

Who: Open to 6th, 7th and 8th graders in Houston, TX Area Schools.

When: Deadline extended to March 27, 2015 at 11:59pm.

What: Short Stories between 3-5 pages (not including the cover page), double spaced, 12 pt Times Roman font, Word Format.

Cost: There is no cost for submission

Criteria: The work must be the child's own original work, never before published, PG in content, with one submission per author and one author per submission (no co-authorship).

Submissions will only be received electronically as an attachment at arts@dsthoustonalumnae.org. No Hard Copies will be accepted. Email subject should be "HAC Short Story Contest".

Cover page *must* include the child's name, grade, school, email address, parent's name, parent's home & cell phone number and the title of the work. Each page of the story should include *only* the title of the work and page number in the upper right hand corner.

Signed Consent by student and parent must be postmarked by the deadline to be considered for publication.

Prize: Each author will be eligible to have their story published by the Houston Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated's Arts & Letters Committee. If the work is selected, the author will be credited and receive a bound copy of the publication. The top story writer will also receive an e-reader and will be recognized at the chapter's May Week Celebration. The teacher of the winning student will receive a \$50 gift card.

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