

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
Southwest Dallas County Alumnae Chapter presents

**MISS JABBERWOCK/
MR. CRIMSON & CREAM**
Pageant



**2018 - 2019
PARTICIPANT
HANDBOOK**

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Dear Participant,

On behalf of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Southwest Dallas County Alumnae Chapter, we thank you for your interest in our *Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream Pageant*. We have put together this handbook to provide you with an overview of the participation requirements and planned activities.

"*Miss Jabberwock*" is a traditional program of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. The members of the Iota Chapter presented the first Miss Jabberwock in 1925 in Boston, Massachusetts, as an effort to find a new method of raising money for the chapter's scholarship fund. It is a program of elegance and entertainment that showcases the gifts and talents of the participants. The Southwest Dallas County Alumnae Chapter has extended the opportunity to young men to be able to showcase their talents and compete for scholarship money as well, by adding "*Mr. Crimson & Cream*" to the pageant's title.

Our culminating event will be held on ***Sunday, April 7, 2019 at the Duncanville Hilton Garden Inn, located at 800 N. Main St. in Duncanville, TX.*** The committee is working diligently to provide you with activities that we hope you will find enriching.

We look forward to working with you in the coming months. Again, WELCOME!

Sincerely,



Mary A. Stanton, President
Southwest Dallas County Alumnae Chapter



Pier Y. Crenshaw, Chair
Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream



Roshonda Gums, Co-chair
Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream 2019



ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible to participate in the Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream pageant, a participant must meet the following requirements:

- Be a high school female or male student (in grades 10-12)
- Plan to attend a post-secondary institution
- Provide a one page, double spaced, essay on a topic TBD
- Sign and submit the Required Paperwork: Participant Registration, Participant Agreement and Release of Liability forms
- Submit a non-refundable commitment fee of **\$150**, due on or before **November 30, 2018**. (*The commitment fee is used to cover activity and program expenses.*)

Additionally, you must:

- Wear required attire, at the pageant, as outlined in subsequent pages and appropriate attire to additional activities.
- Attend a minimum of 50% of scheduled activities, prior to the culminating event.

All required forms along with the commitment fee must be delivered or postmarked by **November 30, 2018**. Please mail to the address below:

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
Southwest Dallas County Alumnae Chapter
c/o Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream Pageant
P.O. Box 1632
DeSoto, TX 75123

MISS JABBERWOCK/MR. CRIMSON & CREAM PAGEANT

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

In addition to the schedule below, there will be Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream performance rehearsals prior to the event. Participants should be on time for all activities associated with the Pageant.*

OCTOBER - Participant/Parent Meeting – October 21, 2018

NOVEMBER - Fees and Forms Due – November 30, 2018

DECEMBER - Essay & Goal Setting Project

JANUARY - Social Activity

FEBRUARY - Etiquette Workshop

MARCH - Service Project

APRIL - Culminating Event - April 7, 2019

**Rehearsal dates/times/place TBD*

Talent Requirement

Each participant should be prepared to perform individually in the talent showcase. Talent should be no more than 5 minutes in length. Additionally, participants will perform in one group activity for the program. The type of talent performance (individual and/or group) will be determined by the Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream Committee.

Program Tickets

Tickets will be available to sell, in January, for the culminating event on **April 7, 2019**. All who attend will need to purchase tickets. Participants are responsible for each ticket given. Therefore, each ticket will need to be sold or returned. If tickets are lost, the participant must pay for them. Each participant will be responsible for selling at least **1** table for the event.

Use of Sorority Name

Participants should only use the name “DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC. or DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC., SOUTHWEST DALLAS COUNTY ALUMNAE CHAPTER”, in the following manner: *“I am participating in the Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream Scholarship Pageant sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Southwest Dallas County Alumnae Chapter”*. Participants may **NOT** use Delta Sigma Theta symbols for any purpose. Please consult the Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream Committee or your Delta Team Facilitator for any further clarification.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Sorority Sponsors:

Each participant will be assigned to a team of chapter members including a Delta Team Facilitator. The chapter members will be able to answer questions and assist with fund raising activities.

Criteria for Winning

1. Winners are determined based on the highest dollar amount raised. A minimum of \$1,000 in ads, donations and ticket sales is required.
2. There will be three (3) female winners: *Miss Jabberwock* – 1st Place, 2nd Place and 3rd Place **and** three (3) male winners: *Mr. Crimson & Cream* – 1st Place, 2nd Place and 3rd Place. 1st Place winners (female & male) will receive 75% of the dollar amount that is raised excluding ticket sales; 2nd Place winners (female & male) will receive 50% of the dollar amount raised excluding ticket sales; 3rd Place winners (female & male) will receive 25% of the dollar amount raised excluding ticket sales.
3. All other participants who raise a minimum of \$1,000 in ads and donations (combined) will receive 10% of the dollar amount raised excluding ticket sales.
4. All participants who raise a minimum of \$600 and complete the Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream activities (including the culminating event) will receive a \$100 book scholarship. This is in addition to any funds awarded as noted above.

All participants will be eligible to participate in fundraising in order to qualify for a book stipend.

Souvenir Journal

The souvenir program books will be developed from ads provided by each participant, event information 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 participant. Your Delta Team Facilitator will assist you with the details.

Ad Prices

	<u>Without Photo</u>	<u>With Photo</u>
• Full Page	\$100.00	\$125.00
• Half (1/2) Page	50.00	75.00
• Fourth (1/4) Page	25.00	N/A
• Eighth (1/8) Page	15.00	N/A
• Patron List	10.00	N/A
• Back Cover* (First come, first served basis)	250.00	250.00

Fundraising*

Fundraising ideas may come from many sources. Some suggestions are:

- Candy Sales
- Entertainment Books
- Raffles
- Merchandise Parties (Jewelry, etc.)

* All fundraising activities **MUST** be approved by the Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream Committee.

PARTICIPANTS MAY USE CROWD FUNDING UPON APPROVAL BY CHAPTER PRESIDENT.

Collection of Funds

Designated times and locations will be provided to collect all monies. These dates will allow you to avoid having to hold onto checks and large sums of money.

All required ad forms should be filled out completely and accurately. The participant's name **MUST** appear on the memo line of all checks to ensure proper processing and credit. All checks should be made payable to *Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.*

Participants are responsible for ALL fees associated with any checks they submit if they are returned. The amount of the dishonored check and associated fees will be deducted from the participant's total should the issue not be resolved.

If a Participant does not complete the Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream program, all monies raised will be forfeited.

Receipts will be issued for all monies received. Participants should maintain copies of all receipts. A final review of ads will be held with representatives from the Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream Committee, the participant and the parent/legal guardian to verify all monies, **prior** to the culminating event.

The commitment fee must be postmarked by **November 30, 2018**. Other funds raised must be turned in at scheduled meetings or designated collection times (TBA).

ATTIRE GUIDELINES

Pageant Attire:

Young Ladies

- Formal, floor length, pure white (full or ball gown)
- No low-cut necklines
- Appropriate wrap (if applicable)
- No trains of any kind
- No low-cut backs
- No extravagant accessories
- All dresses and wraps must be reviewed by the committee prior to the event.

Young Men

- Black conservative suit OR tuxedo w/red tie and white shirt
- Black dress shoes and socks
- No sneakers

Accessories:

- Pearl stud earrings/single strand necklace (committee will provide)
- No watches, bracelets, rings
- No flowers, bows or tiaras
- Small pearl decorative combs or small pearl hairpins are acceptable
- Nail polish should be a natural or light shade
- Conservative, age appropriate make-up

Shoes-Ladies:

- Basic white pump or peep toe (no sandals allowed)

Shoes-Men:

- Black dress shoes and socks (no sneakers)

Escorts

- Nice dress, with no low-cut necklines or backs
- Black conservative suit or Tuxedo with black tie and white shirt
- No sneakers

General Attire

There will be an activity each month. **Unless otherwise announced, participants are expected to wear business casual attire**, which includes dress pants, slacks or conservative length skirts and dresses. Depending on the type of community service activity, a certain attire may be required. When uncertain, please contact a committee member.

DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.
SOUTHWEST DALLAS COUNTY ALUMNAE CHAPTER
2019 MISS JABBERWOCK/MR. CRIMSON & CREAM PAGEANT
PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT

I, _____ agree to participate in all required functions in conjunction with the 2019 Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream Pageant, sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Southwest Dallas County Alumnae Chapter. I also agree to adhere to the following guidelines of the contest:

- Be a high school female/male (grades 10-12);
- Plan to attend a post-secondary institution;
- Wear required conservative formal attire at the pageant as outlined in the handbook and appropriate attire to additional activities;
- Attend a minimum of 50% of scheduled functions and activities;
- Participate in an individual and group talent performance;
- Provide a 350-word essay (double spaced) on topic to be provided by the Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Mr. Crimson & Cream Committee using the guidelines that will be provided.
- Sign and submit the Participant Agreement, Release of Liability forms and the Participant Information Sheet with a head shot attached;
- Make a good faith effort to attend program rehearsals;
- Pay a non-refundable commitment fee of \$150;
- If a Participant does not complete the Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream program, all monies raised will be forfeited.
- Participants should only use the name “DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC. or DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC. SOUTHWEST DALLAS COUNTY ALUMNAE CHAPTER”, in the following manner: *“I am participating in the Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream Pageant sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Southwest Dallas County Alumnae Chapter”*. Participants may NOT use the Delta Sigma Theta symbols for any purpose. If used incorrectly, participant may be disqualified from the Miss Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream Pageant and all monies forfeited.

General Statement of Conduct: Southwest Dallas County Alumnae Chapter has the right to disqualify any participant if the above criteria are not met and/or for inappropriate actions as determined by Southwest Dallas County Alumnae Chapter.

Participant

Date

Parent / Legal Guardian

Date

DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY, INC.
SOUTHWEST DALLAS COUNTY ALUMNAE CHAPTER
2019 MISS JABBERWOCK/MR. MR. CRIMSON & CREAM PAGEANT
RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I, _____ (*Parent/Guardian*), give my permission for

_____ (*Participant*) to participate in the Miss
Jabberwock/Mr. Crimson & Cream Pageant and all other required functions in conjunction
with the Pageant, sponsored by *Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Southwest Dallas County
Alumnae Chapter*. I understand that during these activities and events in which the *Participant*, or
any other members of my family participate, I will agree to release the Sorority and/or Chapter from
any and all liability. I also agree to allow photographs of *Participant* to be used in promotional
materials, the souvenir journal, and on the Sorority's website.

Participant

Date

Parent / Legal Guardian

Date



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PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

(Please attach a head shot to this form.)

I. Participant's Information

First Name	Middle / Maiden Name	Last Name
Home Phone	Cell Phone	Email Address
Parent's Name(s)		
Anticipated Graduation Date	High School Currently Attending.	
College of Interest:		

Hobbies/Interests

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List High School and Community Activity/Organization Involvement

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List Honors/Awards Received

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