

THIS APPLICATION MUST BE RETURNED TO THE TENNESSEE PTA OFFICE
ON OR BEFORE **MARCH 1ST**
1905 ACKLEN AVENUE, NASHVILLE, TN 37212
FAXED COPIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

- **Purpose of Scholarship**

The Tennessee Congress of Parents and Teachers established and maintains the Scholarship Fund to give financial assistance to young people who need additional funding to obtain a bachelor's degree toward the goal of becoming a teacher or working in a child-related field such as: education, medicine, law or any new field of child related studies.

- **Value**

Each scholarship provides a one-time \$2,000 non-renewable award. As many scholarships as the fund permits will be awarded each year.

- **Requirements for Scholarship**

Applicant must be a graduating senior from a Tennessee high school interested in teaching or other child-related vocation. The applicant or a family member of the applicant must be an active member of a PTA/PTSA in good standing.

- The applicant will be considered on the following points:
 - Essay
 - Academics
 - Sincerity of purpose/personality
 - Motivation
 - Community Involvement
 - Recommendations
- **The original plus three (3) copies of the complete application packet** must be received by the Tennessee PTA at the address above ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1ST. The complete application packet must include the following:
 - Completed application form
 - Principal/Guidance Counselor form
 - Essay that is 500 words or less, typed and double-spaced
 - Two (2) letters of recommendation
 - Official transcript
- Photograph on original application only (will not be returned)
- The applicant must enroll in a two- or four-year Tennessee college or university for a teaching or child-related degree.
- ***Failure to disclose any requested information will result in immediate disqualification.***

- When the review process is complete, an award notification letter from Tennessee PTA will be mailed to the recipient and principal. A letter informing the college / university of the award and remittance will be mailed by Tennessee PTA upon verification of completed student registration.

**ANY APPLICATION THAT DOES NOT MEET THE STATED CRITERIA WILL BE
DISQUALIFIED WITHOUT EXCEPTION**

STUDENT INFORMATION

Name: _____
Social Security Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
Telephone: (____) _____ Email: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____
Parent/Guardian Name: _____
Address (if different from above): _____
Number of Siblings: _____ Age(s) of Siblings: _____
If siblings are in college, please indicate what year:
_____ Freshman _____ Sophomore _____ Junior _____ Senior

Have you filed a FAFSA application? _____
Have you applied for other financial aid? _____

The following information may be found on IRS form 1040 - line 37, 1040A - line 21, or 1040EZ - line 4

Parent's/Guardian's Adjusted Gross Income: \$ _____ (Filing Jointly)
Parent's/Guardian's Adjusted Gross Income: \$ _____ (Filing Separately)
\$ _____
Applicant's Adjusted Gross Income: \$ _____

HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

School: _____ County: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
Principal's Name: _____ Telephone: (____) _____

COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Name of College/University you plan to attend: _____
Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____
Telephone: (____) _____
Begin: _____, 20__ Expected Completion of Degree: _____, 20__
Name of Degree Sought and Major Field of Study: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Name of PTA/PTSA of which you or a family member is a member: _____

National PTA Unit ID number (found on membership card): _____

Essay: On a separate sheet of paper, in 500 words or less, typed and double spaced, please tell us about yourself and how you can impact the lives of children in your chosen area of study.

Activities: Please attach your college résumé or list your school and community activities (including offices held, membership in organizations, and participation in other activities you feel are important): _____

Remember: Two (2) letters of recommendation, the principal/guidance counselor form, essay, and transcript must accompany this application. **THE ORIGINAL AND THREE (3) COPIES** of the complete application packet must be received by the Tennessee PTA State Office **ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1ST**.

I certify that the information given in this application is complete and accurate.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

PRINCIPAL / GUIDANCE COUNSELOR REPORT
This report is to be completed by school authority after application is complete

This report is completed from: Personal Knowledge Report of Others Official Records

Academics

Applicant's Rank: _____ out of _____ GPA: _____ ACT composite: _____ SAT: _____

Has the applicant taken the normal college preparatory courses? _____

Motivation

Has the applicant expressed a desire to work with children? _____

Why do you think the applicant will be successful in a child-related field? _____

Average High School Attendance (*please circle*): Excellent Good Average Poor

Main reasons for absences? _____

Character (please rate each of the following as *Excellent (E)*, *Good (G)*, *Average (A)*, or *Poor (P)*)

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| Social Maturity | E G A P | Reliability | E G A P |
| Initiative | E G A P | Dependability | E G A P |
| Loyalty | E G A P | Courtesy | E G A P |
| Thoroughness | E G A P | Cooperation | E G A P |
| Neatness | E G A P | Influence on others | E G A P |

Do you believe the applicant has a reasonable expectation for success in college? _____

Signature: _____ Title: _____ Date: _____

The Principal/Guidance Counselor is requested to review this report, the application, essay, transcript, and letters of recommendation with the applicant prior to mailing.

THE ORIGINAL AND THREE (3) COPIES OF ALL MATERIALS MUST BE INCLUDED AND RECEIVED BY TENNESSEE PTA ON OR BEFORE MARCH 1ST

Mail to: Tennessee PTA, 1905 Acklen Ave., Nashville TN 37212

Note: The committee selects scholarship recipients immediately after March 1st. Therefore, no applicant will be considered if ALL requested information is not provided or if all documents are not included (principal/guidance counselor report, application form, essay, transcript, and two letters of recommendation - the originals and 3 copies of ALL documents). Incomplete applications and applications received after the deadline will be disqualified.