

PTA Values: *What PTA stands for:*

Collaboration: We will work in partnership with a wide array of individuals and organizations to broaden and enhance our ability to serve and advocate for all children and families.

Commitment: We are dedicated to children's educational success, health, and well-being through strong family and community engagement, while remaining accountable to the principles upon which our association was founded.

Diversity: We acknowledge the potential of everyone without regard, including but not limited to: age, culture, economic status, educational background, ethnicity, gender, geographic location, legal status, marital status, mental ability, national origin, organizational position, parental status, physical ability, political philosophy, race, religion, sexual orientation, and work experience.

Respect: We value the individual contributions of members, employees, volunteers, and partners as we work collaboratively to achieve our association's goals.

Accountability: All members, employees, volunteers, and partners have a shared responsibility to align their efforts toward the achievement of our association's strategic initiatives.

PTA Mission

The overall purpose of
PTA:

*“To make every child’s
potential a reality by
engaging and empowering
families and communities
to advocate for all
children.”*



Teacher and Child- Related Services Scholarship

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Parents and Teachers**

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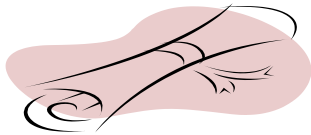
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Purpose of the Scholarship

The Tennessee Congress of Parents and Teachers established and maintains the Scholarship Fund to give financial assistance to students 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 \$1,000 to \$2,000 non-renewable award. There will be as many scholarships awarded each year as the fund permits.

Donations received through the Tennessee PTA Life Achievement Awards, memorials, honorariums, and designated donations have allowed us to award over 160 scholarships to deserving students.

Scholarship Requirements

- The applicant must pursue a degree toward the goal of teaching or working in a child-related field.
- The applicant must enroll in a two- or four-year accredited Tennessee college, university, or trade school.
- The applicant or a family member must be an active member of a Tennessee PTA/PTSA.
- The applicant must file the completed application by the specified deadline.

Any applicant who does not meet the stated criteria will be disqualified without exception.



Application Submission

The original and three (3) copies of the complete application packet must be received in the Tennessee PTA state office **on or before March 1st**.

The complete application packet must include the following:

- Application form
- Principal/Guidance Counselor form
- Essay
- Two (2) letters of recommendation
- Transcript of grades
- Photograph (original application only) (will not be returned)

When the review process is complete, an award notification letter from the Tennessee PTA president or Scholarship committee chairperson 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.

Applications are available online at www.tnpta.org. Applications are also available at the high school guidance office or from the principal.