

Dear Texas High School Counselor:

Subject: 2023 TTA Foundation Scholarship Application and Guidelines

The Texas Telephone Association Foundation (TTAF), a non-profit, philanthropic organization founded to help further the understanding of telephony and advance telecommunications as a career choice, will award six, four-year scholarships, in the amount of \$2,000 per year to students entering college for the 2023-2024 school year.

Through March 31, 2023, the TTA Foundation will accept applications for scholarships to be granted beginning Fall 2023. It is our intention to fully review every application submitted. The Scholarship Committee will make its selections from those applications which meet the following criteria and include the required materials:

- ◆ U.S. Citizen;
- ◆ Student graduating from a Texas high school no later than June 2023 from a school within a TTA member company's service area.
- ◆ Student achieving a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher (out of a possible 4.0);
- ◆ Student planning to attend a **Texas college or university** by the Fall of 2023
- ◆ A completed application postmarked no later than March 31, 2023, including a current transcript
- ◆ A letter of acceptance from a Texas college or university where student has been accepted.
- ◆ Student written essay, consisting of between 300 - 1,000 words explaining their qualifications for the scholarship, their future goals, and how the scholarship will assist them in achieving those goals.
- ◆ Copy of student's SAR (Student Aid Report).
- ◆ **Do not send incomplete applications. Do not send additional information to be added to your applications once the original application has been sent.**

Please note--special consideration will be given to students who will be pursuing a college degree in fields of study which are of particular interest to telecommunications (such as math, business, education, technology, engineering, and computer science, etc.). The courses of study in high school, extra- curricular/civic activities and demonstrated leadership will also be considered.

By late April, the TTA Foundation Scholarship Committee will select six (6) finalists to receive four-year scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 per year.

Scholarship recipients will be notified by early May. Any questions regarding the scholarship application should be directed to TTA Foundation Board, at Foundation@tta.org. You may also access the attached application form at the Texas Telephone Association website: www.tta.org.

Sincerely,

TTA Foundation Board

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Student Name: _____

High School Attending: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Occupation: _____

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Number of dependent children in family (including applicant): _____

(Dependent is a child eligible to be reported on a parent/guardian Federal Tax Return.)

Number of dependent children included above who are currently in college? _____

Which junior college, college, university, technical or vocational school do you plan to attend?

School attending: _____

Have you received acceptance notification yet? : _____

Field or vocation you plan to study: _____

Estimated college expenses for one (1) year: _____

Have you received any other scholarship(s)? _____ If so, how much? _____

Grant(s)? _____ How much? _____ Student Loan(s)? _____ How much? _____

High school(s) attended: _____

Work Experience

Employer Name	Type of Work	Length of Service
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_____	_____	_____
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List academic honors received in high school: _____

School related clubs, activities, achievements: _____

Community clubs, activities, achievements: _____

What are your favorite hobbies or recreational activities? _____

CONTACT INFORMATION SHEET

Student Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Address (if different from above): _____

Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____

Address (if different from above): _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

All applications must be received or postmarked by March 31st, 2022 This form must be submitted with scholarship application.

SCHOOL CERTIFICATION

The following information must be provided by a school official. Failure to provide this information will disqualify this application.

Student Name: _____

Cumulative GPA (9th through 12th grades) _____ on scale of _____.

Class Ranking _____ in a class of _____ students.

ACT Score _____ SAT Score _____

Dual/College Credit Hours: Currently Enrolled _____ Completed _____

Signature of School Official Certifying Grades, Scores & Standing

Printed Name and Title

Date Completed by Official

A sealed copy of current high school transcript MUST be attached.

INSTRUCTIONS AND AFFIRMATION

In applying for this scholarship, I am aware that I must maintain above average grades (at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale) and demonstrate acceptable standards of citizenship and character .

I agree to permit the review of this application and my school records by the Administrators of TTA Foundation, Inc. Education Scholarship Fund and those they designate to assist them in selecting scholarship recipients.

Except where prohibited, acceptance of the scholarship award constitutes your consent for Administrators of TTA Foundation, Inc. Education Scholarship Fund and its designees to use your name, image, likeness, scholarship information, city and state of residence for editorial, advertising, marketing, publicity, and administrative purposes in any media without further compensation. By acceptance of the awarded scholarship, you further consent to our use of any photographs, audio recording or video footage of you in advertising, marketing and promotional materials. You agree to release and hold harmless the Released Parties for any liability, claims and causes of action based on defamation or violation of rights of publicity or privacy.

I have read the instructions and policy statement and agree to complete this application according to these instructions and policy. I understand this application is completed by the student applicant I understand and agree to use only an original document application package provided by TTA Foundation, Inc. and that copies are not acceptable. I understand the Review Committee considers the totality of the application, including but not limited to, neatness, grammar, well thought out responses, and general appearance of the ability to follow instructions. Only completed applications will be accepted.

Complete scholarship application and accompanying materials should be mailed to:

Big Bend Telephone, ATTN: Lauren Sanders, 808 N. 5th Street, Alpine, Texas 79830

Applications must be postmarked by March 31, 2023.

Signature of Applicant	Printed Name	Date
Signature of Parent/Guardian Qualified	Printed Name	Date

APPLICATION WILL BE DISQUALIFIED IF THIS PAGE IS INCOMPLETE