

## 2025 SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION APPLICATION

The Texas Food & Fuel Association Scholarship Foundation will award scholarships to outstanding students in the state of Texas. This includes scholarships sponsored by the Texas Food & Fuel Association and the Wranglers Council. In total, up to four (4) scholarships will be awarded to exemplary high school seniors graduating from accredited high schools within the state of Texas.

### MEMBERSHIP AFFILIATION ELIGIBILITY

Texas Food & Fuel Association	Wranglers Council	TFFA & Wranglers Council
<p><b>Availability</b> (2) Four-year scholarships</p> <p><b>Distribution</b> \$8,000 award, funded in increments of \$1,000 per semester</p> <p><b>Awarded to:</b> Dependent children of marketer or retailer members (including employee's children).</p>	<p><b>Availability</b> (1) Four-year scholarships</p> <p><b>Distribution</b> \$8,000 award, funded in increments of \$1,000 per semester</p> <p><b>Awarded to:</b> Dependent children of supplier members (including employee's children).</p>	<p><b>Availability</b> (1) Two-year Trade/Tech school scholarship</p> <p><b>Distribution</b> \$4,000 award, funded in increments of \$2,000 per year</p> <p><b>Awarded to:</b> Dependent children of supplier members (including employee's children).</p>

### APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Applications may be typed or handwritten, must be completed in full, and be accompanied by the required documentation.

**Deadline:** The deadline for submission of the applications to be returned to the school for review will be set by the individual participating school. However, all nominated applications to the Texas Food & Fuel Association Scholarship Foundation **must be received or postmarked by mail or emailed to ahicks@tffa.com no later than Monday, June 2, 2025.**

### APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY

Eligible applicants must meet criteria of citizenship, residence, academic standing, and demonstration of leadership, character, and economic need. In addition, eligible applicants must include a recommendation from his/her high school personnel (education) administrator and submit college/university enrollment plans.

The applicant must also be a high school senior who is:

- 1) A dependent child of a Texas Food & Fuel Association member, or;
- 2) Actively employed by a marketer, retailer or supplier member of the Texas Food & Fuel Association.

Initial recipients shall be graduating high school seniors and each must be a United States citizen and qualify as children younger than 21 years old at the time of the application (born, adopted or under custody of court recognized guardian) of the member or the member's employee.

**Citizenship:** Applicant must be a citizen of the United States or be born in the United States and be a resident of the State of Texas. If place of birth of applicant as indicated on application and/or transcript is other than the United States, appropriate proof of citizenship must be furnished with application.

**Residency:** The applicant must be a graduating senior or have been a qualified graduate of one of the accredited public/private senior high schools in the participating school district.

**Academic Standing:** The applicant must be a graduating high school senior ranked in the upper one-half (1/2) of his/her graduating class at the completion of his/her first semester of the senior year or at the time of the applicant's graduation. This ranking is to be verified as part of the official transcript or by an accompanying certification from an appropriate school official. Applicant's transcript must reflect that he/she has successfully passed the TAAS or equivalent replacement MASTERY/EXIT LEVEL exam at the time of application.

**Graduation:** The applicant must be eligible to attend an accredited college following the awarding of the scholarship or have been a mid-term graduate at the conclusion of the semester immediately preceding (within one year) the awarding of the scholarship.

**Collegiate Acceptance/Enrollment:** The applicant must enroll or plan to enroll in either a college, university, trade-tech school, or other recognized institution of higher education and participate in a curriculum leading to a bachelor's degree. Applicant must have applied for admission at time scholarship application is submitted and if available at the time of application, a copy of the acceptance letter for enrollment should be included with the application. Applicant must indicate choice of major and career planned.

**Activities:** Leadership potential and character of the applicant should be demonstrated through applicant's responses to the categories of the application detailing school, extracurricular and community activities and achievements. Personal references will provide additional information as well.

**Narrative:** Each applicant must include a typed or handwritten narrative of no more than two, 8 ½" x 11" sheets, double-spaced. In this narrative, the applicant may supply any information that he/she feels is pertinent to the application receiving proper consideration. Applicant's name, address and high school must appear as a heading to the narrative in the upper right-hand corner of page one.

**Photo:** Each applicant must furnish a recent headshot, no smaller than 2" x 3". The color photo should be enclosed in an envelope that is attached to the application. Do not staple or tape the photo directly to the application. **Do not send Polaroid, instant photos or color photocopies of photographs.** If photo is sent by email, it must be in a high-resolution format. Photo should be identified with applicant's name typed on a label affixed to photo or written on back.

**References:** Each applicant may submit up to three (3) letters of personal reference. References may be either typed or handwritten and should include the name, address and daytime phone number of the person making the recommendation, as well as an indication of the person's relationship to the applicant (teacher, minister, employer, relative, etc.) These letters must be attached to the application. References should indicate knowledge of applicant's character, determination to pursue a college education and any other factors that will assist evaluation. No more than three letters may be submitted per applicant and no letter should exceed two pages in length.

**Documentation:** Each application must be accompanied by an official transcript showing academic average and grading scale through four years of high school, class size and official ranking of applicant; proof that applicant has passed the TAAS MASTERY/EXIT LEVEL exam; narrative; photo; references; proof of citizenship. If the transcript does not list the school's grading scale, a letter with this information must be included from the registrar or counselor.

**Deadline: All applications to the Texas Food & Fuel Association Scholarship Foundation must be received or postmarked by mail or emailed to ahicks@tffa.com no later than Monday, June 2, 2025.**

**The mailing and the physical delivery address is Texas Food & Fuel Association Scholarship Foundation, 401 W. 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 510, Austin, Texas 78701-1671. Telephone: (512) 476-9547.**

**The Texas Food & Fuel Association Scholarship Foundation will not accept applications delivered in person. Please mail your application.**

Applications should be stapled together only. Do not bind. Do not put in sheet protectors. Applications will not be returned and become the property of the Texas Food & Fuel Association Scholarship Foundation with all due measures for identity protection in place.

#### **EVALUATION PROCEDURE**

For the purposes of evaluation of applicants, a selection committee independent of the Texas Food & Fuel Association Scholarship Foundation will review all properly completed applications. Incomplete applications will not be considered. A rating sheet will be used as part of the evaluation process, with each application scored individually on the basis of the criteria outlined in the eligibility section.

The recommendations of the evaluation committee will be referred to the Texas Food & Fuel Association Scholarship Foundation. All applicants will be notified once the independent selection committee has made their selections.

#### **NOTIFICATION OF RECIPIENTS**

Recipients of scholarship awards will be notified individually by the Texas Food & Fuel Association Scholarship Foundation. The Texas Food & Fuel Association Scholarship Foundation will also notify the central administrative office of each participating school district of the names of the recipients of the scholarships.

Notification will be made after to the completion of the spring semester in which the scholarship is to be awarded.

## Texas Food & Fuel Association Scholarship Foundation Application For Participating Public High Schools

### Information Summary *(Please print or type)*

Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Name You Prefer To Be Called: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

County: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_

School District: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of University/College/Trade-Tech School You Will Attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Planned Major Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Member of the Texas Food & Fuel Association: \_\_\_\_\_

FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY:

Texas Food & Fuel Association Scholarship

Wranglers Council

TFFA & Wranglers Council/Trade-Tech

**Application Form for  
Texas Food & Fuel Association  
Scholarship Foundation**

*(Please print or type all information)*

**Scholarship eligibility requires that applicant be a U.S. citizen or be born  
in the United States and be a resident of the State of Texas.**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

School District: \_\_\_\_\_ High School: \_\_\_\_\_

**ABOUT THE APPLICANT:**

Full name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  M or  F

Name you prefer to be called: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date and Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

**Are you a citizen of the United States?  YES or  NO**

*You must be a U.S. citizen or be born in the United States to apply for any Texas Food & Fuel Association scholarship. If your place of birth is other than the United States, proof of citizenship must be furnished with this application.*

**FAMILY INFORMATION:**

*Check the applicable blank:*

- I live at home with both parents.
- I live in a single parent household with my \_\_\_\_\_
- Other, please explain if you live with a guardian, grandparent or have other arrangements:  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If your parents are divorced, does your non-resident parent contribute to your support?

YES Amount per year \$ \_\_\_\_\_  NO

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of children in your family: \_\_\_\_\_

Number and ages of siblings who reside at home with you \_\_\_\_\_

Number of siblings who will attend college at the same time as you \_\_\_\_\_

**Father's / Guardian's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age** \_\_\_\_\_

Living?  YES  NO

His Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

College Attended \_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_

**Degree:**  YES or  NO

**Mother's / Guardian's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Age** \_\_\_\_\_

Living?  YES  NO

Her Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Employment \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

College Attended \_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_

**Degree:**  YES or  NO

## Academic Information

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Date of anticipated graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Number in your graduating class \_\_\_\_\_ Your rank \_\_\_\_\_

Are you class Valedictorian? \_\_\_\_\_ Salutatorian? \_\_\_\_\_

Your scholastic average for four years: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Scale \_\_\_\_\_

***(If scholastic average is not a numerical percent (98.6%), it must be presented with the grade scale on which it is based (ex. 3.87 on 4.0 scale). Counselor or school official should provide this data and student's transcript should verify the grading system with numerical equivalents/ranges indicated.)***

Were you in honors or advanced classes? \_\_\_\_\_

If answer is "yes" please list these courses in spaces provided: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### College/University/Trade-Tech Plans

Have you applied for admission to a college, university, trade-tech or other recognized institution of higher education? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted? \_\_\_\_\_

List name(s) of institutions to which you have applied and indicate if you have been accepted or not at this time.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

What is your planned major in college/trade-tech school? \_\_\_\_\_

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What is your planned career? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you earned dual credit or qualified for any advanced placement? If so, list subjects and hours credited or AP test score.

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**ACTIVITIES, HONORS, & AWARDS**

In the spaces below, list any offices held or awards received in high school. If a repetitive award or recognition, please indicate years achieved. For example, National Honor Society – 1, 2, 3, 4.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_

7. \_\_\_\_\_

8. \_\_\_\_\_

9. \_\_\_\_\_

10. \_\_\_\_\_

**Extracurricular Activities**

In the space below, please outline other clubs or activities in which you have participated, indicating any other awards, recognition or offices held in conjunction with them. For example, Interscholastic League competition, etc.

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**Community Activities**

In the space below, please outline any other activities in which you participate, indicating any special recognition you might have received. For example, church/synagogue activities or community service projects.

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**WORK INFORMATION**

Please indicate any previous work history you may have, including jobs you have held throughout high school. Also, please detail how important it will be for you to work while in college and plans you have to secure employment while in college.

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**FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

Indicate approximate cost per semester at the college/university/trade-tech school which you will attend. Please indicate tuition, fees, books, housing, food, recreation/travel, as separate items.

Name of college/university\_\_\_\_\_

Name of trade/tech school\_\_\_\_\_

Estimated tuition/fees per semester\_\_\_\_\_

Live in Dormitory (check one):  YES or  NO

List any other miscellaneous expenses you anticipate\_\_\_\_\_

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Savings and cash available at start of college/trade-tech school \_\_\_\_\_

How much financial assistance can you anticipate receiving from your parents, relatives or other sources per semester? \_\_\_\_\_

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Please circle the amount that best describes your family's annual gross income:

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|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Less than \$35,000   | <input type="checkbox"/> \$90,001 to \$115,000  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$35,001 to \$50,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$115,001 to \$130,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$50,001 to \$65,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$130,001 to \$150,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$60,001 to \$75,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$150,001 to \$175,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$75,001 to \$90,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$175,001 to \$200,000 |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> More than \$200,000    |

Please list any specific reasons why you need financial assistance to attend school:

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**SCHOLARSHIP, GRANT, LOAN INFORMATION**

Are you applying for or have you received other scholarships, grants or loans? (check one)  YES or  NO

***If answer is "yes", please list names, amounts, whether scholarships, grant or loan, and indicate if you have received confirmation or any other financial assistance. Indicate status as Pending, Confirmed or Rejected. You may attach an additional sheet if necessary.***

<u>Name of Scholarship</u>	<u>Loan/Grant</u>	<u>Grant</u>	<u>Status</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

<u>Name of Scholarship</u>	<u>Loan/Grant</u>	<u>Grant</u>	<u>Status</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

**PERSONAL REFERENCES**

Please list the names and addresses of no more than three persons from whom you have attached recommendations with your application. Letters must indicate name and daytime phone number of person submitting recommendation.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

**Certification of Application by School Officials**

We have examined this application and find the records to be true, accurate and complete. Furthermore, all required documentation is attached.

School Administrator \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

School Official \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please list the name, title and daytime phone number of a contact person whom the Texas Food & Fuel Association Foundation may reach at the high school should there be any questions about either the applicant or the application itself. This contact person may be someone other than those school officials certifying application.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Certification by Applicant and Authorization for Verification**

I hereby certify the statements contained in this application are true, accurate and complete and that I presently meet all eligibility requirements set forth in this Application. If selected to receive a scholarship, I understand that I am expected to abide by the policies governing the Texas Food & Fuel Association Scholarship Foundation program. (Note: Any false statement in this Application shall constitute grounds for revocation or withdrawal of any awarded scholarship.)

I hereby authorize any person, firm or entity to release to the Texas Food & Fuel Association Scholarship Foundation, or their authorized representatives, information concerning the subject matter of the statements I have made in this application, including, but not limited to, information concerning my academic record, activities, honors and awards, citizenship or residency, and financial situation. A copy of this authorization is agreed by the undersigned to have the same effect and force as an original. Any person, firm or entity releasing matters pursuant to this authorization is hereby absolved from any liability.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent of Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_