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WHARTON COUNTY EXTENSION EDUCATION ASSOCIATION

WHARTON COUNTY EXTENSION EDUCATION ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Wharton County Extension Education Association is an affiliated club of the Texas Extension Education Association. The mission of the Texas Extension Education Association is to work with the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service to strengthen and enrich families through educational programs, leadership development, and community service.

The Wharton County Extension Education Association decided in 1985 to show its support of the Wharton County 4-H Program by presenting a $400 scholarship to an outstanding 4-H member. Applicants are judged on their 4-H participation, academic achievement, citizenship, leadership and experiences in school, church and community. They must be seniors in one of five county high schools or home schooled in Wharton County. The must have been active members of 4-H for at least four years and must be in the top 50 percent of their graduating class at the beginning of the second semester of their senior year.

An additional scholarship was added in 1997 for senior high school students whose mothers or grandmothers are active members of a Wharton County Extension Education club. In 2019, the Wharton County EEA Scholarship was updated to include applicants attending any school or homeschool in the state of Texas and whose mothers or grandmothers are members of a Wharton County Extension Education club. Applicants must be high school seniors, registered and attending a high school or homeschooled in the state of Texas. They must have been in the top 50 percent of their graduating class at the beginning of the second semester of their senior year.

COMPLETED APPLICATIONS AND SUPPLEMENTAL DOCUMENTS ARE DUE TO THE WHARTON COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE BY MARCH 10, 2023.
LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

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For WCEEA Members' Children or Grandchildren Graduating Seniors

COMMITTEE SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

WHO MAY APPLY

Applicants must be high school seniors, registered and attending a Texas High School or home-schooled in Texas. The applicant's mother or grandmother must be an active member of a Wharton County Extension Education club for at least two years. The EEA member must remain a member for the applicant to receive the entirety of the scholarship award. An applicant may apply for both the WCEEA scholarship and the WCEEA 4-H scholarship. The applicant will only be awarded one scholarship.

HOW TO APPLY

Applicants must use the forms available at the Wharton County Extension Office at 315 East Milam Street, Suite 112, Wharton, TX 77488 or the 4-H county website at agrilife.org/wharton4h.

Each application requires one teacher recommendation and one adult recommendation. The adult recommendation cannot be a relative of the applicant. The completed recommendations are to be returned to the applicant in a sealed envelope by March 3, 2023.

Each application must be accompanied by the following items:

1. Official high school transcript
2. 2 wallet sized photographs (head and shoulder pose only). One should be attached to the top left-hand corner of the application and the other included for the news release.
3. Scholarship Information Sheet
4. Teacher Recommendation
5. Adult Recommendation

If there are questions or assistance is needed in filling out the scholarship application, please contact:
Donna Shimek
979-320-7850
dkocurek60@hotmail.com

The completed application form and attachments must be returned to the Wharton County Extension Office by March 10, 2023.
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Texas A&M AgriLife Extension
Wharton County
Attn: Stacey Reiners
315 East Milam Street, Suite 112
Wharton, TX 77488

RESTRICTIONS

No restrictions are placed on the applicant's course of study or on the school the applicant plans to attend as long as the schools are either accredited colleges or universities or accredited schools of vocational education.

The scholarship will be awarded without consideration of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin.

CRITERIA

An independent committee of evaluators will review the applications. The applicants will be scored as follows on the basis of 100 points:

A. Citizenship and Service Activities (School, Church, Community) ..... 30% of total score
B. Leadership (Office, Committees, Teaching)..... 30% of total score
C. Academic Achievement ..... 20% of total score
D. Recognition and Awards..... 10% of total score
E. Need ..... 10% of total score

Should there be a tie or very close decision, the top finalists will be interviewed personally. This interview will be held at the Wharton County Extension Office at the discretion of the evaluating committee.

NOTIFICATION

All applicants will be notified by mail and email of their application status after the application review is completed in March.

TERMS OF DISPERSING FUNDS

The scholarship amount totals $400 and will be paid to the student in the beginning of the fall semester. The stipends will be paid only in the regular fall semester. The scholarship must be used within 2 years of high school graduation.

After receiving the notification letter, the scholarship winner must respond to the Wharton County Extension Office at 315 East Milam Street, Suite 112, Wharton, TX 77488 by June 1, 2023 to verify acceptance of the scholarship. He or she must send a thank you letter to the Wharton County Extension Education Association in care of the Wharton County Extension Office. The recipient must also submit information on the school he or she plans to attend, including his or her address.

Checks for the award will be made to the student after proof of registration at the school has been submitted to the Wharton County Extension Office. This must include schedule of classes and the student's identification information. The student may request the check made payable to the college that they are enrolled in, and the check may be mailed to that college provided the correct address and information is presented to the Wharton County Extension Office.

The 4-H Committee of the Wharton County Extension Education Association is responsible for managing the scholarship program. The committee's duties include meeting once a year to evaluate the program, making any necessary rule changes, dispersing applications, coordinating the evaluating committee work, and accounting to the Association for the funds designated as scholarship money. The committee may also solicit donations or manage fund raising activities for the purpose of raising money for scholarships.

The Wharton County Extension Office will secure out-of-county judges consisting of 4-H leaders and at least one County Extension Agent.

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APPLICANT INFORMATION

Please attach transcript, scholarship application forms and two wallet-sized (2.5x3.5) photographs.

FULL NAME: _____ DATE: _____
Last *First* *M.I.*

STREET ADDRESS: _____

_____
City *State* *Zip Code*

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____ AGE: _____ PLACE OF BIRTH: _____ *(City)* _____ *(State)*

PARENT(S) NAME(S): _____

PARENTS OCCUPATION: _____

NUMBER OF BROTHERS AT HOME: _____ NUMBER OF SISTERS AT HOME: _____

NUMBER OF BROTHERS IN COLLEGE: _____ NUMBER OF SISTERS IN COLLEGE: _____

LIST THE NAME OF EEA MEMBER, HER CLUB NAME, YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP AND YOUR RELATIONSHIP TO HER

_____

NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATING FROM: _____

DATE OF GRADUATION: _____ DATE ENTERING COLLEGE: _____

HOW MANY YEARS HAVE YOU LIVED IN TEXAS? _____

Other than scholarships, what will be your source of funds for your education?

List any scholarship that have already been awarded to you for the upcoming academic year.

I hereby give permission to use the information provided in this application for recognition purposes if selected.

_____ _____
Student Signature *Parent Signature*

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TEACHER RECOMMENDATION

NAME OF APPLICANT: _____
Last *First* *M.I.*

NAME OF PERSON MAKING RECOMMENDATION: _____

JOB TITLE: _____

NUMBER OF YEARS ACQUAINTED WITH APPLICANT: _____

INSTRUCTIONS

Please rate the above-named applicant in each of the following categories on a scale of 1 to 5 with 5 being the highest score.

CATEGORY

Involvement or Service ..... _____

Shows Initiative ..... _____

Ability to Cooperate ..... _____

Attitude ..... _____

Character ..... _____

TOTAL _____

Additional Comments:

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ADULT RECOMMENDATION (NOT A RELATIVE)

NAME OF APPLICANT: _____
Last *First* *M.I.*

NAME OF PERSON MAKING RECOMMENDATION: _____

JOB TITLE: _____

NUMBER OF YEARS ACQUAINTED WITH APPLICANT: _____

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SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION SHEET

LIST ANY COMMUNITY SERVICES PERFORMED DURING HIGH SCHOOL

STATE ANY LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCES

LIST ANY AWARDS OR RECOGNITIONS RECEIVED

LIST EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

WHAT COLLEGE DO YOU PLAN TO ATTEND?

WHAT IS YOUR PLANNED MAJOR?

WHY DID YOU CHOOSE YOUR PARTICULAR MAJOR?

WRITE A BRIEF PARAGRAPH TELLING OF YOUR PLANS FOR THE FUTURE