

GONZALES COUNTY

AREA GO TEXAN

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS 2023

APPLICANT NAME:

Guidelines for the Gonzales County Area Go Texan Local Scholarships 2023

1. The applications will be judged by qualified individuals and the scholarship(s) will be awarded by the scholarship committee.
2. The amount of the annual scholarship(s) will be determined each year at a meeting of the Gonzales County Go Texan Committee, prior to receipt of any applications, and will be based on the availability of local funds.
3. Applications must be completed in full. Any incomplete application or missing documents, that are required as an attachment of the application, will disqualify the applicant.
4. Applications must be received by the due date listed on the application. Late applications will not be considered for judging or funding.
5. Applicants receiving any type of Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo Scholarship will be disqualified.
6. Applicants must attend Gonzales, Nixon or Waelder High School for a minimum of two (2) consecutive years.
7. Applicants must be a graduating senior of Gonzales, Nixon or Waelder High School.
8. Applicant must have a minimum of two (2) years of 4-H and/or FFA in good standing during their high school career.
9. Applicants attending a four (4) year college or university must meet the required minimum scores for SAT 900 (Math & Reading) or ACT 17 and must rank in the top 50% of their class. Applicants attending two (2) year trade or technical schools must rank in the top 50% of their class and attach an essay with the application.
10. Applicant must attend a college, university or trade school in Texas. Attending or transferring to an out of state school will disqualify applicant from any uncollected scholarship funds.
11. Scholarships will be paid in two (2) payments. First half of the amount awarded will be paid for the fall semester after committee is provided with proof of the student's registration of a minimum 12 credit hours. Second payment of half the original scholarship amount will be paid during the immediate spring semester upon proof of registration of 12 credit hours and 2.5 GPA or above.
12. Applicant must successfully complete a minimum of 12 hours per semester.
13. Applicants must maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA to qualify for scholarship payment.
14. Recipients of Gonzales County Go Texan Local Scholarships may not receive more than \$75,000 (4 year schools) or \$40,000 (trade/technical schools) from financial aid (including grants) and/or any other scholarships for the term of an undergraduate degree. Applicant is required to list all financial aid, scholarships and grants for which they have applied and the status of those awards as part of the application. If selected you could be asked to verify all other financial aid and scholarships received. Failure to comply shall be considered grounds for forfeiture.
15. Recipients must attend ALL Gonzales County Go Texan events, including but not limited to the annual Steak Supper in January and the Annual BBQ Cook-Off/Tractor Pull that is held in September. We expect scholarship recipients to be available for volunteering, as needed by committee members. Student exemption from attending any of these events will require written notification from school officials stating the conflict.
16. All applications and attachments become the property of GCAGT and will not be returned to the applicants.

Gonzales County Go Texan Local Scholarship Application

Please type or print legibly in blue or black ink--Date to be received is MARCH 16, 2023

Turn in at Extension Office. Questions call 830-857-3601

Date: _____

Full Name of Applicant: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Age: _____ Male Female

Social Security No. _____ (Circle one)

Home Address: _____

City: _____ ZIP: _____

EMAIL: _____ Cell: _____

(1) Have you resided in Gonzales County and attended a Private School in Gonzales or a contiguous county for two (2) consecutive years? Yes No

Are you a graduating senior of that private school? Yes No

OR

(2) Have you resided in Gonzales County being Home Schooled, completing the required courses for a minimum of two (2) consecutive years? Yes No

Have you completed the required courses to qualify for a diploma by the typical May graduation dates? Yes No

TO BE COMPLETED BY SCHOOL OFFICIAL

Name of High School: _____

Name of Contact Person at High School: _____

School Telephone: () _____

Email Address: _____

Anticipated Graduation Date: _____ Number in Graduating Class: _____

Current Class Rank: _____ Date of Ranking: _____

(Minimum top 50% of class required)

Scholastic Grade Average for 4 Years _____ On Basis of 100 Point Unweighted System

Applications for students attending four (4) year schools will not be considered if this section has any omissions.

An official transcript showing the grade point average/class standing must be submitted with this application.

SAT Score: _____ ACT Score: _____ Date of Exam (s): _____

SAT minimum score 9 ACT minimum score 1 (SAT - Math & Reading only)

Applications will not be considered without SAT or ACT score.

Signature of school official completing form REQUIRED on last page of application!

Each applicant is required to complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA) and submit, in a sealed envelope, a copy of their FASFA report. Please note that it takes approximately 3-4 weeks after submitting the application for you to receive the report.

FASFA Score (EFC): _____

Savings and cash available at start of college: \$ _____

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

Please list any specific reasons why you need financial assistance to attend school. Financial information provided on this application will remain confidential. For example: Do you have other brothers or sisters in college at the present time which your parents are financially helping? Are there other special family situations or financial situations that affect you being able to receive financial assistance to attend school?

Please indicate any previous work history you have, including jobs you have had during 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.

Activities, Honors, Awards

High School

In the spaces below, list any offices held or awards received in high school. If a repetitive award or recognition, please indicate years achieved. Example: National Honor Society - 3, 4. 4-H and FFA will be listed in the next section, please do not list those here.

4-H, FFA Activities

In the spaces below, please outline your Gonzales County 4-H/FFA activities in which you have participated, indicating any awards, recognition or offices held. Include name of club or chapter.

Have you been an active member of Gonzales County 4-H club or FFA chapter within Gonzales County for at least two years during your high school years?

Yes

No

Years? (from-to) _____

Name of Club/Chapter _____

(Check one)

Community Activities

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

Are you a United States Citizen? Yes No

You must be a U.S. citizen or born in the United States to apply for a Gonzales County Go Texan scholarship. If your place of birth is other than the U.S., proof of citizen must be furnished with this application.

Family Information:

Father's Name: _____ Age: _____ Living Yes No
(circle one)

Father's Occupation: _____

Place of Employment: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Cell: _____

College Attended: _____ Years: _____ Degree: Yes No
(circle one)

Mother's Name: _____ Age: _____ Living Yes No
(circle one)

Mother's Occupation: _____

Place of Employment: _____

Daytime Phone: _____ Cell: _____

College Attended: _____ Years: _____ Degree: Yes No
(circle one)

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:

Certification of Application

I herby certify that the statements contained in this application are true, accurate, and complete and that I presently meet all eligibility requirements set forth in the guidelines and this application.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Date: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____

Printed Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

Date: _____

County Extension Agent (CEA) and High School Official

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

CEA Name (Printed or Typed) (1)

High School Official (Printed or Typed)

Signature of CEA (1)

Signature of High School Official

Telephone

Telephone

Date

Date

(1) As 4-H leader, I certify that I have verified the enrollment records of the organization and found that this applicant was **actively enrolled** in 4-H for 2 or more complete years during their high school years.

Required Attachments:

Three letters of recommendation from persons familiar with the applicant must be submitted. The letter must include the name, address, and telephone number of the person writing the letter. Ex: Employers, Teachers, Clergy (not relatives)

Official transcript showing grade point average, class standing, FASFA score, and SAT or ACT score.
Home School Students: Must provide meeting attendance records.

TRADE/TECHNICAL SCHOOL APPLICANTS must submit an essay including but not limited to the reason you feel you deserve this scholarship, the biggest influence in your life, your goals and future plans.