



Austin County Fair Association

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March 29, 2017

Dear Applicant:

Please note that the TAF&E application is due in the **Austin County Fair** office by Thursday, **April 13, 2017 at 5:00 p.m.** Any applications submitted after the deadline will not be accepted.

The Scholarship Committee will review all applications that are received and select one recipient. We will submit the application along with a letter of recommendation to the Texas Fairs & Events committee. **DO NOT MAIL YOUR APPLICATION TO WACO.**

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the fair office at (979) 865-5995.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Allen Kaminski".

Allen Kaminski
President
Austin County Fair

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**Guidelines for
Texas Fairs and Events Education Foundation Scholarship Program**

An investment in the future of Texas

TO: All TAFE Active members, representing high school seniors applying for Scholarships

FROM: Foundation Scholarship Selection Committee

DATE: February 2017

SUBJECT: Texas Fairs and Events Education Foundation \$2000 Scholarship

Applicants must:

1. Read the scholarship requirements.
2. **Provide** all information on the two-page application. **Do not return these guidelines with the application.**
3. Answer all questions and supply all supporting data. Failure to do so will result in disqualification/consideration for scholarship award.
4. Sign the application.
5. Be a U.S. citizen.
6. Mail application materials in one envelope to ensure receipt of all information. Special folders and presentation materials are not needed and are not viewed by the scholarship committee.
7. Submit a **one-page essay** as to why you deserve a scholarship.
8. Have participated actively in a fair or event that is a current member of TAF&E.
9. Rank in the upper 33% of his/her class.
10. Furnish official transcript of his/her high school record. The college entrance scores, size of class and rank in the class should be entered on this transcript and the transcript should include data through mid-year of the applicant's senior school year.
11. Provide a recent photograph or clear snapshot to the Foundation office with application.
12. Furnish a letter of recommendation from his/her high school principal that addresses applicant's general qualifications and character.
13. Provide a letter of recommendation from the Texas fair or event nominating the applicant for a scholarship. This Texas fair or event must be a member in good standing of the Texas Association of Fairs and Events (TAF&E). Each active TAF&E member fair/event organization may submit **one** scholarship applicant. Multiple applications will result in the disqualification of all applicants from that member organization.
14. Be a graduate from a Texas high school during the year of application and attend a college or a university the following fall and spring semesters.
15. Attend an accredited college or university and enroll for and complete a minimum of 12 hours per semester. A GPA of 2.50 is required to receive the second and final scholarship installment.
16. Receive scholarship payments (if chosen) as scheduled by the Foundation. Please make other arrangements if receipt of Foundation scholarship payment conflicts with other scholarships, grants or financial aid received.
17. If chosen, the student assumes the main responsibility of communication with the TAF&E office and must supply a valid email address and phone number to be reached while in college.

Please note:

- The application must be postmarked on or before ~~Wednesday, April 26, 2017.~~
- Mail application to: Texas Fairs and Events Education Foundation, Inc.
Attn: Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 23645
Waco, Texas 76702
~~texasfairsandevents@gmail.com~~
- Only one application per fair/event will be accepted for consideration.

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County Fair Office by
5:00pm, Thursday,
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Additional Information

The following information needs to be typed on a separate sheet(s) of paper:

- History of participation in Texas Fairs and Events - include year, name of fair/competition event, and place won (1st, 2nd, etc.).
- School activities, honors, club memberships and competitions other than Fairs or Events.
- List other scholarships and awards you know you will receive including the name of the scholarship and the amount awarded.

Applicant's signature _____ Date: _____

Verification Statement from Nominating Fair or Event Official

I, _____, certify that _____ is the sole scholarship
 (Print Official's Name) (Print Applicant's Name)
 applicant of _____
 (Print Fair or Event Name)

Signature _____

Date _____

~~Return with other materials to:
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