



# TEXAS ONSITE WASTEWATER ASSOCIATION

## Scholastic Scholarship Application

Application due date: May 30

*“Protecting Texas & Texans”*

1. DEADLINE for scholarship applications is May 30, annually.
2. Refer to application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e., reference forms, evidence of GPA, etc.) Incomplete applications will not be considered.
3. If any question does not apply to you in this application, please put N/A in the space.
4. Type or print legibly. Illegible applications will not be considered.
5. You will be notified by phone or email in June if you have been selected as a winner.
6. If you have any questions about the application, please email [txowaconference@gmail.com](mailto:txowaconference@gmail.com)

**PURPOSE** The Texas Onsite Wastewater Association Scholarship Fund was established in 2017. The mission of the scholarship is to provide financial assistance to individuals that are dependents of TOWA members and plan to continue their education attending a Community College, four-year college, University or Trade School.

**FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE** is based on academic performance, leadership potential, and participation in environmental programs including but not limited to volunteer hours. Scholarships are awarded annually provided funds are available.

### **SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

The Texas Onsite Wastewater Association awards scholarships based on a comprehensive process. Areas that are reviewed by the committee include but are not limited to the following: Academic Accomplishments, Community Service, References, Essay and Financial Need. The Association pays scholarship funds directly to the recipient or to the university of choice as instructed by the recipient. Scholarships are awarded annually. The Scholarships are awarded without regard to race, color, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation. Scholarships awarded are based upon the availability of funds and additional qualifying criteria.

### **CRITERIA**

Applicants must be completing or have completed high school successfully with a minimum unweighted GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale or already be attending a higher education institution.

## ***CRITERIA Continued***

Applicants must be accepted as a full-time student at a college or university for the upcoming academic semester. If scholarship money is awarded, this is the only program that will receive the funds on behalf of the applicant.

Applicants must be a citizen or legal permanent resident of the United States. Applicants must complete and submit a Scholarship Application by **May 30**.

## **TIMELINE**

Applications are due **May 30 of the current calendar year**.

Candidates may be asked for an interview by the Scholarship Committee conducted in early April. Applicants are notified if awarded a scholarship by June 30.

## **Application Process**

### **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE:**

- Completed application form.
- Official proof of academic standing.
- 500 word or more essay on the importance of water/wastewater today.
- A letter of academic reference from a guidance counselor, teacher, or principal.
- A letter of reference from an employer or other community member.
- Proof of acceptance at an academic school for post-secondary studies.

### **SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS**

Awards will be given by the end of June, provided all paperwork has been received by the committee.

Applicant must provide their **student ID, the correct mailing address of their institution and the department where their scholarship check is to be used**.

Award amounts will be distributed bi-annually after all requirements are met.

Please email application to [txowaconference@gmail.com](mailto:txowaconference@gmail.com) or mail to:

**Scholarship Program  
Texas On-Site Wastewater Association**

201 Stillwater, Ste 8  
Wimberley, Texas 78676

**Application must be filled out by applicant.**

Please <b>type on a separate sheet</b> or <b>print</b> your answers below. If application is illegible, it will be denied.			
1	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Last Name:</td> <td>First Name:</td> </tr> </table>	Last Name:	First Name:
Last Name:	First Name:		
2	Mailing Address: Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____		
3	Daytime Telephone Number: (____) _____ Email address: _____ {please do not use a school email}		
4	<table border="1"> <tr> <td>Number of years High School Attended: attended HS:</td> <td></td> </tr> </table>	Number of years High School Attended: attended HS:	
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5	I will be attending the following school: _____ Address/ Phone		
6	Will you be a full-time student? _____		
7	Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ (On a 4.0 scale) Attach proof of GPA; your most recent <b>official</b> school transcript (required)		
8	Name & address of parent(s) or legal guardian(s): Use reverse side of application if you need more space. Parent or grandparent Name: _____ Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Home phone of parents or legal guardians: _____ Cell phone of parent/ guardian _____		
9	List the license type and level of the member of Towa you are applying under. (must be a parent or grandparent)		

**Please list the following information on a separate sheet if needed.**

10	<b>SCHOOL EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:</b> Please list school extra-curricular activities in which you have participated. Note leadership roles and dates.
11	<b>AREA OF STUDY:</b> What do you want to study and why?
12	<b>ORGANIZATIONS:</b> Please list community organizations such as service, volunteer, and religious organizations in which you are now active or have previously been active. Note leadership roles and dates.
13	<b>RECOGNITIONS:</b> Please list important awards and recognitions received. Note organizations presenting honor and date.
14	<b>GOALS:</b> What are the short- and long-term goals for your life?
15	<b>NEED:</b> Please explain your need for the Texas Onsite Wastewater Association Scholarship
16	<b>CAREER PLANS:</b> What are your career plans and what would you like to be doing in 10 years?

17	<p>A) The following items must be attached to this application for the application to qualify to be reviewed by the scholarship committee.</p> <p>B) Your application will be returned if these items are not attached to this application. (No exceptions)</p> <p>C) check the box to be sure you have attached each item as required.</p>	
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>Two reference forms.</b> Your references will email to <a href="mailto:txowaconference@gmail.com">txowaconference@gmail.com</a> or mail to:          Scholarship Program          Texas On-Site Wastewater Association          201 Stillwater, Ste. 8          Wimberley, Texas 78676</p>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>Proof of college acceptance or current student enrollment.</b> A letter of college acceptance or program acceptance is required for receipt of funds.</p>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>Most recent high school or college transcript.</b></p>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>Answers to questions 1-17</b></p>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>500 word or more essay</b></p>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>Permanent email address</b></p>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>Contact information for parent /guardian</b></p>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	<p><b>TCEQ license number and type applying under</b></p>

**STATEMENT OF ACCURACY**

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me to the Texas Onsite Wastewater Association Scholarship Committee is true, correct and without forgery. I also consent that my picture may be taken and used for any purpose deemed necessary to promote the “*Protecting Texas & Texans*” Scholarship Program. I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to scholarship policy, I must provide evidence of enrollment/registration at the post-secondary institution of my choice before scholarship funds can be awarded.

Signature of scholarship applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**The deadline for this application to be received by The Texas Onsite Wastewater Association is May 30.**