



2024 Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks Future Teachers Scholarship Application

General Information

The Award

Two (2) Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks Future Teacher Scholarship awards will be given to two (2) graduating students from Thousand Oaks, Newbury Park, Westlake, Oak Park, Agoura or Century Academy High Schools who intend to pursue a career in teaching and enroll in a two or four year college or university in the fall of 2024. Each awardee will receive a one-year scholarship of \$1,000.

Use of Scholarship

The scholarships are to be used for the recipient's tuition, books, and miscellaneous expenses to further their future teaching academic or career education in the fall of 2024.

Application

An application form is included here in this packet and is also available at the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks website at www.tokiwani.org. Completed application and supporting documents must be received via email or ground mail no later than 5 PM on Monday, April 1st, 2024.

1. This scholarship is open to:
 - a. Students who wish to pursue a Baccalaureate degree in teacher education.
 - b. Students who wish to pursue an Associate Degree in teacher education.

2. The student, in the personal essay, must show a commitment to pursuing a career in teaching.

Eligibility

Graduating high school students having a minimum 3.0 GPA.



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Selection

The final decision of awards will be made by the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks Scholarship Committee. Selection will be made primarily on the basis of a commitment to a future teaching career, answers to application questions, personal essay, GPA and letter(s) of recommendation. Note: Some importance will be given to a student's volunteering or community service activities. Financial need will also be considered, if appropriate.

Presentation of Award:

Recipients will be notified by email. They will be honored and presented their award (a check made out to the student) at a regular meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks in May, 2024. Recipients will also be recognized at their high school's award night.

For questions about this application or its status, please contact scholarship committee at the Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks via email at scholarship@tokiwanis.org.

Application Checklist:

- ___ Completed and signed application form
- ___ Personal essay
- ___ GPA (certified transcript from your school is preferred)
- ___ Letter(s) of recommendation

SUBMITTING COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKET:

Email or mail Application Packet with Recommendation Letter(s) and other required documentation to: scholarship@tokiwanis.org

OR: Must be received by April 1st, 2024 at the following address:

Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 1791
Thousand Oaks, CA 91358



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APPLICANT INFORMATION FORM

Name (First, Middle, Last) _____

Street Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Email: _____ Phone _____

Name of parent or guardian _____

Name of High School _____

Briefly describe further training or education plans for next school year:

By signing this document, you confirm the accuracy of your completed form. If you purposely give false or misleading information, you will be disqualified for this award.

Signature

Date



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Submit With Application

- Personal Essay
 - What level for future teaching do you intend to pursue (i.e. elementary, high school) and, if known, what academic emphasis will you plan to study (i.e. English, history, geography, technical skills, etc.)?
 - Describe your motivation to pursue a career in teaching, including people who influenced you and what you want to achieve.
 - Describe your involvement and time spent with community service projects and events.
 - Statement of financial need, if appropriate.
 - Statement of intent to attend a local community college or public university, if admitted and known by April 1st.
 - Anything else you'd like to share about yourself.
- Letter of recommendation from a counselor or faculty member at your school.
- Transcripts showing minimum 3.0 GPA. **Copy of official transcript is preferred.**



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**LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION INSTRUCTIONS
FOR KIWANIS CLUB OF THOUSAND OAKS
FUTURE TEACHERS SCHOLARSHIP**

Dear Teacher/Counselor/Staff,

This student, _____, is applying for a Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks Future Teachers Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00. It will be awarded to graduating students who intend to pursue a career in teaching in the fall of 2024. The award is based on the student's completed application form, personal essay, GPA, and a counselor's or faculty member's recommendation.

What can you share with us about this student's desire, performance, and personality traits? What special teaching or mentoring related projects have they completed? How long have you known this student and in what capacity? Financial need will also be considered. Please advise if appropriate for this student.

Please use the student's name in title of email and send your letter to: scholarship@tokiwanis.org; OR place your letter in a **sealed** envelope before giving it to the student applicant. Include your name and position. Send the email or return the sealed envelope to the applicant before April 1st, 2024 to complete the application process. If mailed, please send it to: **Kiwanis Club of Thousand Oaks Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 1791, Thousand Oaks, CA 91358**

Thank you for your time and your assistance in this process. Kiwanis

Club of Thousand Oaks Scholarship Committee