

# **DENNIS HENNEKE FOUNDATION**

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## **DENNIS HENNEKE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP for TRADE/TECHNICAL SCHOOL**

### **2025 GUIDELINES**

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#### **IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER**

December 1, 2024	Release of Online Application
<b>March 15, 2025</b>	<b>All Required Forms &amp; Information Due</b>
April 26, 2025	Finalists Interview
May 2025	Recipient Selection & Notification

# 2025 TRADE/TECHNICAL SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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Last Name	First Name	Middle Initial
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Mailing Address	City/ State/Zip	County
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Physical Address	City/ State/Zip	County
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Cell Phone	Home or Alt Phone
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Date of Birth	Email Address
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Parent or Guardian Name(s)

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Parent or Guardian(s) Mailing Address	City, State	Zip
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High School Diploma – Grad Date: \_\_\_\_\_  GED - Completion Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Last High School Attended or Attending	HS Address	City/State/Zip
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High School GPA (4.0 scale)

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Trade or Technical School currently attending (if applicable)	Exp Grad Date
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List your activities, honors or awards while in high school:

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List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities:

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List your jobs worked and/or volunteer activities:

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Anticipated Trade Degree or Certification you are seeking & length of time to complete:

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Name & Location of Trade or Technical School you will attend:

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If not decided, list your top 3 Technical or Trade School choices:

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How do you plan to finance your Trade Degree or Certification?

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Please list any other scholarships applied for and note if awarded:

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Family Gross Annual Income from 2024 Income Tax Return form 1040:  
(use 2023 Return if 2024 not completed yet)

<\$50,000    \$50,000-\$80,000    \$80,000-\$110,000    \$110,000-\$140,000    \$140,000-\$170,000    >\$170,000

Legal Residence of the State of Texas:  Yes    No

If selected as a Finalist, I am able to attend in-person interview on April 26, 2025:  Yes    No

<b>IMPORTANT CHECKLIST</b>
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**The following items must be submitted:**

- Application (including Statement of Accuracy)
- Official High School Transcript (or college if applicable)
- GED Certificate if applicable
- FAFSA Student Aid Report (not required, but recommended)
- 2 Letters of Recommendation
- Essay
- Photography Consent & Release

**All Required Information shall be received no later than March 15, 2025**

Submit one PDF file with all the required information at [helpingjustonemore.org/submit-application](http://helpingjustonemore.org/submit-application). Name your PDF file using your last and first name. (ex: Smith.Chris.pdf).

Alternatively, you can email your file to us at [apply@HelpingJustOneMore.org](mailto:apply@HelpingJustOneMore.org).

**STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship recipient, according to the Dennis Henneke Foundation, I will be present at the awards ceremony and/or reception to receive my scholarship award and I will attend and help at the Annual Dennis Henneke Just One More Celebration & Fundraiser.

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

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

Please sign one of the applicable Photography Releases below:

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**PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT & RELEASE  
Adult Applicant (18 or Older)**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby grant permission to the Dennis Henneke Foundation to take and use photographs and/or digital images of me for use in news releases and/or educational materials. These materials might include printed or electronic publications, websites or other electronic communications. I further agree that my name and identity may be revealed in descriptive text or commentary in connection with the image(s). I authorize the use of these images without compensation to me. All negatives, prints and digital reproductions shall be the property of the Dennis Henneke Foundation.

**Signature of Scholarship Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**PHOTOGRAPHY CONSENT & RELEASE  
For Minor Children (Under 18)**

I, \_\_\_\_\_, parent or official guardian of (child's name) \_\_\_\_\_ hereby grant permission to the Dennis Henneke Foundation to take and use photographs and/or digital images of my child for use in news releases and/or educational materials. These materials might include printed or electronic publications, websites or other electronic communications. I further agree that my child's name and identity may be revealed in descriptive text or commentary in connection with the image(s). I authorize the use of these images without compensation to me. All negatives, prints and digital reproductions shall be the property of the Dennis Henneke Foundation.

**Signature of Parent or Guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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## **INTRODUCTION**

The Dennis Henneke Foundation established the Trade/Technical Scholarships to help students interested in pursuing programs of study leading to trade, technical, industrial or vocational occupations, including (but not limited to) Welding, Culinary, HVAC, Plumbing, Electrical, Auto Mechanic, Medical or Dental Assistant, Cosmetology, Real Estate, etc. **Each scholarship will be awarded for amounts up to \$10,000.**

In 2025, the Dennis Henneke Foundation will award Dennis Henneke Memorial Scholarships to Texas High School students graduating in 2025 and/or others that may or may not already be enrolled in a Technical School or College.

A number of finalists will be selected from the applications received and will be invited in for a personal interview. If applicant is not invited in for a personal interview by May 1, 2025, they may assume that they are not a finalist and no correspondence will be forthcoming from the Dennis Henneke Foundation.

The Dennis Henneke Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization with the mission to honor the memory and continue the generous spirit of Dennis Henneke. Dennis was especially passionate for mentoring and helping others. The Dennis Henneke Foundation is setup to help people pursue their passion and achieve their goals through education.

## **SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA**

The Scholarship will be awarded based on the following:

- **Financial Need**  
This includes those that would not be able to seek a trade certification or degree without financial help.
- **Character**  
Someone who sets high standards for themselves, encourages others, demonstrates an outstanding work ethic, shows respect and genuine concern for others, maintains a humble manner, is honest, and sets a positive example for their peers.
- **Academic Success**  
Someone who has a 2.25 GPA or higher and puts forth a strong work ethic and is committed to completing a trade program.
- **Application Requirements Completed**  
This includes providing all of the required information, documentation, and following the application instructions.

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

To be eligible to apply for or to be awarded the Dennis Henneke Memorial Scholarship for Trade School, an applicant must:

1. Be a citizen of the United States. If the applicant's transcript reflects a place of birth other than the United States, appropriate proof of citizenship must be furnished (i.e. a copy of the photo page of a valid U.S. passport, a copy of Naturalization Certificate or a birth certificate for the U.S. Citizen Born Abroad). Applications submitted without proof of citizenship will not be considered. Students with permanent resident status are not eligible to apply.
2. Be a Texas resident.
3. Reside in one of the following Texas counties: Aransas, Bee, Goliad, Karnes, Kleberg, Nueces, Refugio, San Patricio, Victoria and possible surrounding counties.
4. Be a graduating senior in the school year 2024-2025 or a student already enrolled in a Texas Trade School or College or an individual with a high school diploma or GED pursuing a Trade or Certification in Texas. (Possible exceptions will be made at the discretion of the Board of Directors)
5. Attending a Trade or Technical school in the state of Texas.
6. Be 25 years of age or younger at time of due date.
7. To maintain eligibility for scholarship benefits beyond the initial award, an overall passing grade in all classes.

## **APPLICATION PROCESS for Trade/ Technical School Scholarship**

### Required Forms and Information **Due March 15, 2025:**

1. Application (Pages 2-4 in this packet)
2. Official High School Transcript (or Trade School, College Transcript) or GED Certificate if did not complete high school.
3. FAFSA Student Aid Report (not required, but recommended)
4. 2 Letters of Recommendation
5. Essay
6. Photography Consent & Release (Page 5)

### Description of Required Forms and Information:

#### **1. Application**

Dennis Henneke Foundation application is on Page 2-4 and is also available online at <https://helpingjustonemore.org/> under the Scholarship tab. Applicant should fully complete this 3-page application.

#### **2. Transcript**

Please submit your official high school transcript. Or if currently attending a trade school or college, submit your current official transcript. The transcripts must be an original; no copies will be accepted. If high school was not completed, also submit GED Certificate.

#### **3. FAFSA Student Aid Report (not required, but recommended)**

You can complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and submit a copy of their Student Aid Report (SAR), which is obtained once the FAFSA is accepted. Please note that it takes at least two weeks after submitting the application for you to receive the SAR report.

#### **4. 2 Letters of Recommendation**

Submit 2 Letters of Recommendation – **Only one letter per category**, for example don't send 2 teacher letters.

- Category 1: Teacher, Counselor or Principal
- Category 2: Work Supervisor, Coach, Extra-Curricular Activity Leader
- Category 3: Close family friend or mentor
- Category 4: Pastor, Bible Study Leader, or Young Life Leader



5. **Essay**

Please submit an essay about why you are passionate about your trade choice and how your future trade career will impact your life.

Make sure you spend time and thought on your essay because we look forward to reading about you and your pursuits in your own words. We recommend at least 500 words, but this is up to you.

6. **Photography Consent & Release**

Please sign and submit the Photography Consent & Release on Page 10.

**How to Submit:** Scan all required information into ONE .pdf file

**Name your PDF file using your last and first name (ex: Smith.Chris.pdf).**

**Upload your application file on our website at:**  
[helpingjustonemore.org/submit-application](https://helpingjustonemore.org/submit-application)

**Alternatively, you can email your file to:**  
[apply@HelpingJustOneMore.org](mailto:apply@HelpingJustOneMore.org)

**SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINES AND IMPORTANT DATES**

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**The Dennis Henneke Foundation Scholarship Committee will not accept or consider any incomplete or late applications. No exceptions will be made.**

## **Letter of Recommendation Guidelines**

*(Please give this information to your references.)*

### ***Dennis Henneke Memorial Scholarship***

*awarded by the Dennis Henneke Foundation*

Thank you for providing a letter of reference to the Dennis Henneke Foundation. Our goal is to honor the memory and legacy of Dennis Henneke, helping those with hardships the way Dennis did. The Dennis Henneke Memorial Scholarship is awarded based on the criteria listed below.

#### **SCHOLARSHIP CRITERIA**

1. Financial Need
2. Character
3. Academic Success & Determination

It would be helpful to us if you could elaborate as best you can on the unique qualities of the individual rather than just relisting their resume.

Please address your letter of reference to DHF Scholarship Committee.

Thank you again for helping us find the candidate(s) deserving of this scholarship.

More information can be found on our website at [www.HelpingJustOneMore.org](http://www.HelpingJustOneMore.org).

Thank you,

Dennis Henneke Foundation Scholarship Committee

## **MISCELLANEOUS IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

### **Evaluation Procedure**

All completed applications will be reviewed and evaluated by the Scholarship Committee and then brought before the Board of Directors of the Dennis Henneke Foundation for the personal interview, final review and approval. Additional information may be requested and required by the Committee and/or Board.

### **Notification of Recipients**

Final approval and notification of each scholarship recipient will be made by the Dennis Henneke Foundation in May of 2025.

### **Additional Information**

Applications will not be returned.

The Dennis Henneke Foundation has the right to refuse and/or retract any scholarship application or award during the judging, awarding, or post awarding process. Refusal/retraction can be based on, but not limited to, nonfactual information provided in the application process or failure to meet any of the requirements.

The dollar amount of the scholarships will be awarded based on the Dennis Henneke Foundation Board's discretion. The dollar amount could change without notice.