

BEDFORD JUNIOR HIGH PTA SCHOLARSHIP

Background

The Bedford Junior High PTA scholarship consists of two (2) \$500 scholarships awarded to two (2) graduating seniors of HEB ISD who attended Bedford Junior High at least two (2) years and are making the choice to continue their education at any of the following: collegiate level, vocational school, or trade school.

The scholarship is funded with PTA monies for the purpose of encouraging students to continue on to higher education.

The dollar amount of the award will be paid directly to the college or Institute of higher learning (recipient's choice) at the time of registration. The scholarship must be secured by May 1 in the year following your graduation from high school.

*Please note, a student is ineligible for this award if receiving a full scholarship/grant.

Applicant Criteria

- Current L.D. Bell senior
- College bound: collegiate level, vocational school, or trade school.
- Attended Bedford Junior High at least two (2) years.
- Must be of good character and high moral standards.
- Must have demonstrated good citizenship in school, community, athletic, religious, and/or other related activities or organizations.
- Must have maintained an academic standard in line with trade school/college/university acceptance.
- Financial need will be considered a factor, but will constitute only one consideration.

Scholarship Description

This scholarship will be awarded as two (2) \$500 scholarships.

Submission Criteria

In order for your application to be considered, please submit the following items to the L.D. Bell Counseling Office as a packet by April 3rd, 2026:

- Demographic page (see page 2-3)
- Counselor Reference Form
- Three (3) Essays - typed
- Two (2) letters of recommendation from a teacher, administrator, religious or civic leader, or community member

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****Application with all required documents must be submitted by April 3rd, 2026 to the L.D. Bell Counseling Office**

Demographic information

Name of Applicant & Student ID #: _____

E-mail: _____

Address: _____

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Parent/Guardian Occupation: _____

Parent Contact Phone Number: _____

High School you attend: _____

Date of Graduation: _____

What is your planned field of study and educational goals after high school? _____

What are your career goals? _____

Why do you wish to enter this field? _____

Schools you have been accepted to _____

Name of HEB ISD schools attended (including high school) and grades attended _____

Work experience (Job position, employer, dates employed, hours per week)

Please list all high school activities (clubs, athletics, student government, scouts, church, community related). Include the name of the activity, years of participation, and office held or awards (you can attach an additional sheet if needed).

Indicate all sources that will contribute to your financial support in college:

Work Loans Family Support

Have you been awarded any scholarships? _____

If yes, what benefits will you receive from them? _____

Provide a statement of financial need (50 words or less): _____

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On separate papers, please type your essay response.

Essay prompt:

Essay 1: Type on a separate sheet of paper and attach to application. (maximum 500 words) In your own words, please provide a personal “glimpse” of you to allow the selection committee to gain some insight about you. (hobbies, family, obstacles/accomplishments in life, etc.)

Essay 2: Type on a separate sheet of paper and attach to application. (maximum 250 words) How would you like to make use of the award? Educational goals projected or ultimate career goal. Apart from its monetary value, why is this particular award be meaningful to you?

Essay 3: Type on a separate sheet of paper and attach to application. (maximum of 250 words) Describe an accomplishment, event, or realization that sparked a period of personal growth and a new understanding of yourself or others.

Please include your student ID# on the top of your essay papers. Please NO NAMES on essay pages.

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The following must be completed by your counselor.

Applicant's name: _____

Counselor's name: _____

SAT Scores:

Critical Reading _____ Mathematics _____ Writing _____ Total _____

ACT Scores: Composite _____

This student ranks _____ in a class of _____ and has a GPA of _____.

Counselor Remarks:

Counselor's Signature _____ Date _____

Is the questionnaire filled out in its entirety?

Is the Counselor's signature on for

Are 3 typed essays included?

Are 2 letters of reference included?

Are you a BJH PTA Member? (this is required to apply)

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Any questions, Contact Heather Halliday at bedfordjh.pta@gmail.com