

STGCSA Legacy Scholarship

The Board of Directors of the South Texas Golf Course Superintendents Association started the Legacy Scholarship program in 1990 for the purpose of assisting the children of STGCSA members attend college. Since 1992 a scholarship tournament has taken place where the majority of the money used to fund the scholarships is raised. In 2001 the Board of Directors created the "Legacy Memorial Scholarship" to honor members who have passed away. This scholarship is awarded to one student who demonstrates excellence in both education and extracurricular or volunteer activities. Since the first scholarship was awarded in 1990 over \$200,000 has been awarded to the children of STGCSA members.

Criteria for Selection

Eligibility:

One or more of the applicant's parents or guardians must be an active GCSAA class A, SM, C, AA or AF member in good standing with the STGCSA for five or more consecutive years leading up to the year applying for the scholarship. The parent/guardian member must attend a minimum of two STGCSA events during the scholarship year, which is defined as the September through August period leading up to the scholarship application deadline. Lone Star GCSA events and the GCSAA Annual Conference do not count toward the 2 event requirement. Scholarships are for associate, baccalaureate and post graduate degrees. Students may be awarded the scholarship a maximum of five times.

Criteria for Selection:

The student must either be enrolled as a full-time student at an accredited institution of higher learning or be a graduating high school senior who has applied to and been accepted as a potential student by an accredited institute of higher learning. **Graduating high school** seniors must provide a copy of their acceptance letter from the accredited institute of higher learning. For the purposes of this application, the term "graduating high school seniors" includes all students entering their first semester at an accredited institute of higher education.

Applicant must write a <u>one-page autobiography that will accompany their scholarship</u> <u>application</u>. Content of the autobiography should include an introduction of oneself, state of intent (i.e. major, need, etc.) and future goals. Please be specific. The student must

demonstrate a broad base of interests including academic achievement, extracurricular and volunteer activities, and employment (employment is not a requirement but an industrious individual should be considered).

<u>To be eligible for the scholarship the following must arrive at the **STGCSA office by September 1**, **2016.**</u>

- o <u>completed application</u>
- o <u>1-page autobiography</u>
- o <u>college acceptance letter (graduating high school seniors only)</u>

All applicants must submit an **official sealed transcript** proving they have a **minimum 2.0 GPA** either through high school graduation or currently at an institute of higher learning. *(Note: Official transcripts from a University may take up to 6 weeks to arrive.)* Your transcript can be sent directly to the **STGCSA office and must arrive at the office by October 1, 2016**. Any transcripts arriving after October 1, 2016 will not be accepted. No copies or faxed transcripts will be allowed.

Award selection methods may include (but will not be limited to) personal interviews, transcripts, autobiographies, overall quality of application, neatness of prepared documents, and member participation. Scholarship awards will be determined by an independent committee.

The Board of Director's also request that each student awarded a scholarship attends the 2016 Annual Banquet to receive their check. If attendance of the student is not possible, the member/parent of the recipient will need to be present to receive the award on the student's behalf no later than the 2017 January meeting.

Summary of Eligibility Requirements

- Parent or Guardian of applicant must be an active GCSAA Class A, SM, C, AA or AF in good standing with the STGCSA for five or more consecutive years leading up to the year applying for the scholarship.
- Students may be awarded the scholarship a maximum of five times.

The following items must be received at the STGCSA office by September 1, 2016 to be eligible to receive a scholarship:

- Completed Application
- 1 page autobiography
- For graduating high school seniors, an acceptance letter to an accredited institute of higher education

The following item must be received at the STGCSA office by October 1, 2016 to be eligible to receive a scholarship:

- Official sealed transcript proving a minimum 2.0 GPA
 - Note: Official transcripts from a University may take up to 6 weeks to arrive

Incomplete applications or applications received after the due date will not be considered valid. There will be no exceptions to this rule.

Legacy Scholarship Application

| General Information: | |
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| Name (Last, First, Middle): | |
| Mailing Address: | |
| City:State: | Zip: |
| Phone Number: | Date of Birth: |
| E-Mail: | |
| Name of Member Parent or Guardian: | |
| Phone Number of Member Parent or Guardian: | : |
| Academic Information | |
| What Institute of Higher Learning are/will you b | oe attending? |
| If Decided What Is The Major Course Of Study? | , |

| Employment History: | |
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| This Section to Be Completed By STGCSA Member | |
| Number of Consecutive Years Parent or Guardian Has Been a Member of STGCSA: | |
| Has Member Parent or Guardian Ever Served On STGCSA Board of Directors: | |
| If So, when and in what Capacity: | |
| Member Classification of Parent or Guardian: | |
| List Any Distinguished Service Awards of Member: | |
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