



2025 STGCSA Student 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 who are or will attend college. Since 1992 we have held our annual scholarship tournament. The majority of the funds raised at this event are used each year to fund the winners of the scholarship. 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 \$469,000 has been awarded to the children of STGCSA members.

Criteria for Selection

Eligibility:

Parent or Guardian of applicant must be an active GCSAA Class A, B, C, AA, or AF member:

- Parent or Guardian of applicant must be an active GCSAA Class A, B, C, AA, or AF member and in good standing with STGCSA for five or more consecutive years leading up to the year applying

-OR-

- In good standing for five or more consecutive years (minimum 3 years with STGCSA + the remainder with a different affiliated chapter to equal 5)

The parent/guardian member must attend a minimum of THREE STGCSA events during the scholarship year, which is defined as the September 2024 through August 2025 period leading up to the scholarship application deadline. Lone Star GCSA events and the GCSAA Annual Conference do not count toward the 3-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 **one-page essay that will accompany their scholarship application**. Choose from one of the topics on the last page of the application for your essay. 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).

To be eligible for the scholarship the following must arrive at the STGCSA office by September 1, 2025:

- 1. Completed application**
- 2. 1-page essay (copied essays from previous years WILL NOT be accepted)**
- 3. College acceptance letter (graduating high school seniors only)**

AND

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, 2025**. Any transcripts arriving after October 1, 2025 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 2025 Scholarship Awards Banquet in December to receive their check. If attendance of the student is not possible, the scholarship committee asks that the member/parent of the recipient is present to receive the award on the student's behalf.

Mailing address:

South Texas GCSA, Inc.
PO Box 2443
Cypress, TX 77410-2443
stgcsa@stgcsa.org

*****Please DO NOT send anything via Certified Mail – THANK YOU!*****

Summary of Eligibility Requirements:

1. Parent or Guardian of applicant must be an active GCSAA Class A, B, C, AA, or AF member:

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- In good standing for five or more consecutive years (minimum 3 years with STGCSA + the remainder with a different affiliated chapter to equal 5)

- Students may be awarded the scholarship a maximum of five times.

The following items must be received at the STGCSA office by September 1, 2025 to be eligible to receive a scholarship:

- Completed Application
- 1-page essay (**copied essays from previous years WILL NOT be accepted**)
- 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, 2025 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/transcripts received after the due date will not be considered valid. There will be no exceptions to this rule.

****Please note that Scholarship amounts can vary and are based off a percentage of profit raised from our Annual Scholarship Tournament and then divided by the number of qualified recipients for that year****

**South Texas Golf Course Superintendents Association
2025 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

Print legibly or type. The application is also available as a fillable form

I. INFORMATION

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Home Address, City, St. Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Phone: _____

II. EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION FOR GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR

High School _____ School District _____
GPA _____ on a _____ scale Class Rank (ex. 14 of 450) _____ of

SAT Reading: _____ Writing: _____ Math: _____
SAT Total _____ Date(s) Taken _____

ACT _____ Date(s) Taken _____

Other Comparable Entrance Exams _____

Type	Date(s) Taken	Score(s)
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III. FUTURE PLANS

Name of College Student Plans to Attend: _____

Intended Academic Major/Future Occupation: _____

I have applied to college

I have been accepted (My acceptance letter is attached)

I am currently in college

My current college GPA is: _____

EMPLOYMENT

List your employment history starting with the most recent.

Employer	Type of Work
Employment Period	Hours

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Employment Period	Hours

EXTRACURRICULAR/VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

List Organizations and affiliations to which you belong:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

List organizations and affiliations to which you belong including volunteer organizations.

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| 1. | Hours |
| 2. | Hours |
| 3. | Hours |
| 4. | Hours |

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

ESSAYS

Essay Instructions:

Choose from the following list of questions to write a one-page essay. You may submit your essay by email to: stqcsa@stqcsa.org

- What are your career goals upon completion of college, and five years later?
- Who has been the most influential person in your life and why?
- Describe a personal achievement that you are most proud of.
- Describe a success or failure that changed your outlook on life.
- If you were awarded one million dollars, would that change your chosen career path and why?

*****COPIED ESSAYS FROM PREVIOUS YEARS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED*****