

**TRINITY STAR ARTS COUNCIL
SCHOLARSHIP**

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2026 TRINITY STAR ARTS COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP

Eligibility

1. TSAC will award a scholarship of \$1,000 each to qualified students during the current school year, to be paid in two installments: half in the fall semester; the other half in the spring semester.
2. Applicants must be graduating from a high school within Freestone County, Texas.
3. The scholarship must be used for enrollment in an accredited college program toward a degree in The Arts, minimum 12 hours. Scholarship moneys are limited to tuition, fees and on-campus housing only. The award must be redeemed within one year of presentation.
4. Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of artistic merit and artistic potential only.
5. Students should be enrolled in high school arts class(es) and show proven artistic ability in at least one of, but not limited to, these areas: **Performing Arts** (such as music, dance, theatre), **Literary Arts** (ex. creative writing), **Culinary Arts**, **Media Arts**, **Medical Arts** (such as music therapy) and/or **Visual Arts** (ex. drawing, painting, sculpture, architecture, photography, cinematography, cosmetology.)
6. Not eligible: TSAC board members, or members of immediate family or dependent children.

Application Process

Application must:

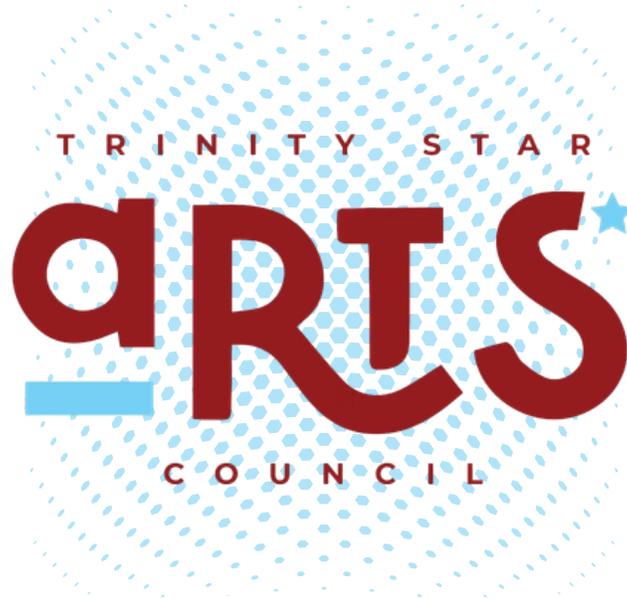
- **Be submitted online or printed** no later than April 20, 2026.
- No late or incomplete entry will be accepted.
- Paper applications may be dropped off at SHINE at 534 E Commerce St, Fairfield.
- **Be typed for legibility. HARD COPY ONLY.** Handwritten applications will not be accepted.
- Be accompanied by **two (2) letters of recommendation**, at least one of which from a teacher of the arts who is familiar with the applicant's **artistic** work.
 - + Letter-writers should not be otherwise related to the student.
 - + Include an official copy of the high school **academic transcript**, showing GPA
 - + Include an example or photo showing your level of expertise in your chosen art field. You may use an online portfolio or drop pieces off at SHINE Pilates in Fairfield.
 - + Include a **one-page essay addressing the topic:**
“My future life plans, my career goals, and how this scholarship will help me obtain those.”

Committee members will evaluate & score each applicant based on the following criteria as demonstrated in the written essay, noted artistic achievements, letters of recommendation and/or interview:

- **Proven artistic/academic abilities** in dance, literature, music, theatre, visual arts, etc.
- **Well defined future goals** and objectives relating to the intended field of study.

Selection Process and Scholarship Award

- > Applications will be reviewed by the Arts Council Scholarship Committee.
- > Applicants should be available for an interview if requested by the Committee.
- > TSAC Board President will be included in the recommendation process to break a tie.
- > The Scholarship Committee will make recommendations for scholarship recipients to TSAC Board of Directors. Decision of the Board of Directors is final.
- > A Scholarship Award Certificate will be presented to the recipient by a TSAC Board member at the recipients' school senior awards ceremony.
- > Check will be forwarded directly to the college or university upon receipt of a copy of the student's official enrollment, including student ID number.



TRINITY STAR ARTS COUNCIL IS A NON-PROFIT, NON-DISCRIMINATORY ORGANIZATION WHOSE MISSION IS TO PRESENT PERFORMING, LITERARY AND VISUAL ARTS THROUGH EDUCATION AND PARTICIPATION IN FREESTONE COUNTY.

TRINITY STAR ARTS COUNCIL
P. O. Box 1546
Fairfield, Texas 75840
2026 TSAC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Date: _____

Name: _____ Social Security #: _____

Address: _____

Cell number.: _____ E-mail _____

Parent's Name: _____ Contact.: _____

Class Rank: _____ *GPA: _____

Number of students in your class: _____

****Official High School Transcript must be provided.***

Intended College or University: _____

Have you been accepted? Yes _____ No _____ Pending _____

Major Course of Study (dance, music, theatre, visual arts, etc.): Be very specific.

List high school **academic honors** and year(s) received:

List any **school-related clubs, activities, and achievements**, especially those related to your chosen field within The Arts. Include year(s) involved.

List any **community clubs, activities, and achievements**, especially those related to your chosen field within The Arts. Include year(s) involved:

On a separate page, please include a one-page essay: "My future life plans, my career goals, and how this scholarship will help me obtain those."

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT:

We certify that the information provided on this application is complete and accurate to the best of our knowledge. We have read and understand the TSAC Scholarship eligibility requirements. False information submitted as part of the application process will result in revocation of any scholarship granted.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 20, 2026

