

Austin Bank has provided financial services to East Texas since 1900. In keeping with their tradition of community service and a commitment to education, Austin Bank established an educational scholarship to assist high school graduates in continuing their education at a university, college, trade or vocational school.

A minimum of 36 scholarships will be awarded, with nine for \$2,500 and 27 for \$500.

The Austin Bank scholarship funds are for one year only and are not renewable.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Students must be a graduating Senior of one of the following high schools to be eligible for the Austin Bank Community Scholarship:

All Saints Episcopal School	Gladewater High School	Marshall High School	The Woodlands High School
Big Sandy High School	Good Shepherd School	Martinsville High School	Timpson High School
Bishop T.K. Gorman	Grace Community High School	Montgomery High School	Tomball High School
Brook Hill School	Grand Saline High School	Nacogdoches High School	Tomball Memorial High School
Bullard High School	Harmony High School	Neches High School	Trinity School of Texas
Central Heights High School	Hudson High School	Palestine High School	Troup High School
Chapel Hill High School	Jacksonville High School	Pine Tree High School	Tyler Classical Academy
Christian Heritage Classical School	Kilgore High School	Rains High School	Tyler High School
Cleveland High School	LaPoynor High School	Regents Academy	Tyler Legacy High School
College Park High School (The Woodlands)	Lake Creek High School	Rusk High School	Union Grove High School
Cumberland High School	Lindale High School	Sabine High School	Union Hill High School
Early College High School	Longview Christian Academy	Spring Hill High School	Van High School
Frankston High School	Longview Christian School	St. Mary's Catholic School	Westwood High School
Garrison High School	Longview High School	Tarkington High School	Whitehouse High School
Gilmer High School	Lufkin High School	The Woodlands Christian Academy	

- Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4 point scale (or equivalent) to be eligible.
- Application form must be completed in its entirety and all supporting documents included.
- All applications **must be postmarked by Friday, February 21, 2025 or delivered in person** to the Whitehouse Austin Bank location by the end of business day (5:00 p.m.) on **Friday, February 21, 2025** to be included in judging.
- Application may be completed online at <https://forms.gle/zmDxQHqm47UsfF4n7>
(Google form closes at 11:59 p.m. on Friday, February 21, 2025.)

SELECTION PROCESS

- The Scholarship Committee of Austin Bank will evaluate all applications received that meet the above criteria.
- Scholarship, leadership, community involvement and character are criteria by which applicants will be judged.
- Scholarship winners will be announced at each participating school's awards program.

SCHOLARSHIP PAYMENT

- Scholarship funds will be made payable directly to the educational institution.
- Winners must supply proof of enrollment for Fall 2025 semester as a full-time student with a minimum of 12 hours.
- \$500 winners must apply their funds to the Fall 2025 semester. Funds are not available to be carried over.
- \$2,500 winners will receive two payments of \$1,250 each – one payment to be made in Fall 2025 and one for Spring 2026.



2025 Scholarship Application COMMUNITY

APPLICATION DEADLINE - February 21, 2025

(Applications must be postmarked by this date. Items received with insufficient postage will be returned to sender.)

Please complete all information below. If any information requested does not apply to you, please indicate with N/A.

TYPE or PRINT all information. DO NOT USE STAPLES OR PAPER CLIPS IN YOUR APPLICATION SUBMISSION. DO NOT FOLD APPLICATION - MAIL FLAT.

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Student Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Preferred Name: _____ Email Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Parent/Guardian Name(s): _____

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

High School: _____ GPA: _____

Will you be graduating with any college hours earned? Yes No If yes, how many? _____

(To receive credit for college hours, you MUST attach a transcript showing hours earned/courses taken. This does not have to be an official transcript; it may be a print out from your student portal.)

List any high school honors, activities, clubs, and/or leadership positions. (You may attach additional pages if needed.)

NON-SCHOOL RELATED EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

List and describe other activities, clubs, volunteer groups, church, employment, etc. that are non-school related.

(You may attach additional pages if needed.)

HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION INFORMATION

Institution in which enrollment is desired: _____

City and State of School: _____ Estimated Tuition: _____

Course of Study: _____ Degree Sought: _____

Why did you select this course of study? *(You may attach additional pages if needed.)*

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

Are you currently employed? Yes No If yes, position: _____

Name of current (or last) employer: _____

Will you work while attending college? Yes No

By signing this document, I hereby submit my application to Austin Bank for a scholarship. I certify the above information is correct.

Student Signature

Date

In order for your application to be considered for judging, you **MUST** include the following with your signed application:

- **High school transcript** *(does not have to be 'official' in a sealed envelope, but must be signed by school staff)*
- **College transcript** *(required to receive credit if graduating with college hours - does not have to be an official transcript; may be a print out from your student portal)*
- **Two page, typed essay telling us about you, your future plans & how this scholarship will help you** *(may be single or double-spaced)*
- **Three character reference letters** *(do not place in individual envelopes and do not staple or paper clip)*
- **Resume'** *(this item is optional)*

IMPORTANT ** DO NOT STAPLE OR PAPER CLIP YOUR DOCUMENTS ** MAIL FLAT - DO NOT FOLD **

Mail your completed scholarship application with all requested items to:

AUSTIN BANK
ATTN: MAEBETH COTTON
100 HORTON
WHITEHOUSE, TX 75791

**Applications must be
postmarked by 2/21/2025.**

- ◇ Questions may be directed to: scholarships@austinbank.com or 903.871.2518
- ◇ Applications may be hand-delivered to the Whitehouse location only. If delivered, they must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 21, 2025.
- ◇ Application may be completed online at <https://forms.gle/zmDxQHqm47UsfF4n7> (Google form closes at 11:59 p.m. on Friday, February 21, 2025)

For bank use only:

____ Date application received	____ College Transcript(s):
____ Essay included	School _____ Hours _____
____ 3 character reference letters received	School _____ Hours _____
____ Transcript: School _____ GPA _____	School _____ Hours _____