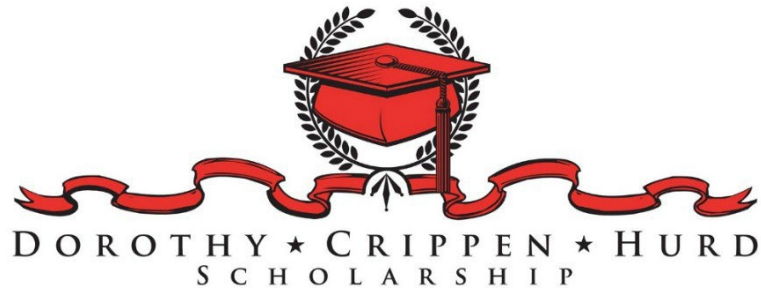


## WACO ISD EDUCATION FOUNDATION



### ABOUT THE SCHOLAR PROGRAM:

Each spring, the Waco ISD Education Foundation selects one or more Waco High School seniors as Dorothy Crippen Hurd Scholars. The prestigious title recognizes outstanding academic achievement and leadership of Waco High graduates. Past recipients are: Kathryn Grossman (2000), Jennifer Aycock and D.J. Hankins (2001), Summer Carter (2002), Karen Ashley Petree (2003), Jessica Brown (2004), Francesca Fraga (2005), Kristen Parker (2006), Kate Wilson & Colin Powell (2007), Cameron Byrd & Sameer Hashmi (2008), David Miller & Fernando Ramirez (2011), Christopher Daughters (2012), Matthew Reynolds (2013), Marshall Tekell (2014), Antonio Najera (2015), Kristen Petree (2016), Haley Miller (2017), Hannah Sriram (2017), Dylan Rivera (2018), Sarah Sriram (2018), Olivia Henderson (2019), Harper Hoover (2020), Jacqueline Grimaldo (2021), Elisha Sriram (2022), Helen Goodman & Maritza Degollado-Ramirez (2023), Anna Hogue (2024), and Justyce Allen & Lydia Allen (2025).

### SCHOLARSHIP AWARD:

A Hurd Scholarship of \$6,000 to \$10,000 will be awarded to at least one graduating student from Waco High School each year. The student must have attended Waco High School in the 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> grades. The award will be given over a four-year period. The student must be enrolled in a four-year accredited university. If required GPA is maintained, the awarded funds will be given directly to the university (one-eighth per semester) each of the four years. Multiple scholarships or monetary finalists' gifts may be awarded at the discretion of the Waco ISD Education Foundation.

### CRITERIA:

- Top 5 % of graduating class
- Demonstrate leadership during high school
- Participate as a community volunteer during the high school years
- Obtain a SAT score of 1220 or an ACT score of 27
- Complete a balanced college preparatory program in Advanced Academics Studies
- Only Waco High seniors may apply; must have attended Waco High for 3 years (10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, & 12<sup>th</sup> grades)

### APPLICATION:

An application form must be completed including a personal essay (1-2 pages) which demonstrates the candidate's personal and academic qualifications, concept of leadership and philosophy of service. Applicant must also attach a resume. Electronic submissions are preferred and should be sent to [education.foundation@wacoisd.org](mailto:education.foundation@wacoisd.org) and must be received **by midnight on April 24, 2026**.

### SELECTION:

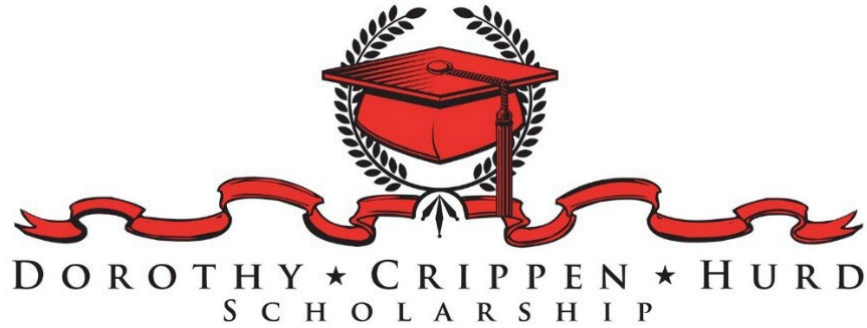
A selection committee will be formed by the WISD Education Foundation. Included on the committee will be the Waco High School principal or designee, a Waco High School counselor, and community representatives. Scholars are engraved on a plaque placed at Waco High.

### CONTINUATION:

The student must maintain a GPA of 3.2 each semester to qualify for scholarship continuation. The scholarship will be discontinued if the GPA has not been maintained for a semester, but is available again in subsequent semesters in which a 3.2 GPA is reattained.

*For more information, please contact the Waco ISD Education Foundation  
at 254.755.9510 or [education.foundation@wacoisd.org](mailto:education.foundation@wacoisd.org).*

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2026 Scholarship Application

LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ MIDDLE INITIAL \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY, STATE, ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE OF BIRTH \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ GRADUATION DATE \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT UNIVERSITY DO YOU PLAN TO ATTEND? \_\_\_\_\_

HAVE YOU BEEN ACCEPTED?  YES  NO/NOT YET

WHAT LEVEL DEGREE TO YOU PLAN TO SEEK? \_\_\_\_\_

WHAT MAJOR/CAREER TO YOU PLAN TO PURSUE? \_\_\_\_\_

DO YOU MEET ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA?  YES  NO IF NO, PLEASE EXPLAIN: \_\_\_\_\_

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- Top 5% of the graduating class
- Demonstrated leadership during high school
- Participated as a community volunteer during your high school years
- Obtained an SAT score of 1220 or an ACT score of 27
- Completed a balanced college preparatory program in Advanced Academic Studies
- Current Waco High senior who has attended Waco High for at least 3 years

LIST ANY HONORS, AWARDS, ACHIEVEMENTS OR EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES IN WHICH YOU HAVE BEEN INVOLVED. (USE A SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY.)

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**PREPARE A PERSONAL ESSAY. YOUR ESSAY SHOULD BE ONE TO TWO PAGES IN LENGTH AND DESIGNED TO DEMONSTRATE YOUR PERSONAL AND ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS, CONCEPTS OF LEADERSHIP, AND PHILOSOPHY OF SERVICE. ALSO INCLUDE A RESUME.**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 24, 2026**

Return to: Waco ISD Education Foundation - P.O. Box 2369 - Waco, TX 76703

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