TEXAS STUDENT HOUSING

(AN INSTRUMENTALITY OF THE TOWN OF WESTLAKE)

2027-2028 Scholarship Application

For 2027 High School Graduates

In 2026 alone TSHA awarded in excess of $300,000 in housing scholarships.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 1, 2027

This scholarship is open to students accepted to colleges in ***College Station, or Denton, Texas***, that have **NOT** signed off-campus housing leases.

Please note: **Texas Woman's University typically does not permit Freshmen or Sophomore students to live off campus. The **University of North Texas** restricts Freshmen from living off-campus as well. Therefore, scholarships may be limited to upper-classmen at these universities.*

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Introduction

Texas Student Housing Authority's (TSHA) academic scholarships are administered by the Board of Directors. The academic scholarship described below rewards academic and leadership excellence. Family financial needs may be considered. A complete application for the scholarship listed in this publication consists of the application form, personal statement, official transcript, letters of recommendation, and standardized test scores. ALL TSHA scholarships awarded through this application will be announced to the winning applicants by e-mail or US mail. **Please make sure TSHA is kept informed of any changes in your contact information (e-mail address, mailing address, and/or home/cell telephone number).**

Application Instructions

1. **Application Form:** Properly complete and sign the application form. Scholarship application materials should be mailed to the address on the last page of this package. **Postmark deadline for this application is MARCH 1, 2027** Earlier submission of the application is encouraged.

2. **Eligibility:** TSHA Scholarships are available to Texas High School graduating seniors, Community College attendees, and university upper classmen who have previously graduated from a Texas High School.

3. **High School and University Transcripts:** An **OFFICIAL** high school transcript and (if applicable) **OFFICIAL** University transcript indicating grades and class rank at least through the mid term of the previous year must accompany the scholarship application. Faxed copies of transcripts are not official and cannot be accepted.

4. **SAT or ACT Scores:** An SAT or ACT score is required. The TSHA considers the student's highest one-day test score for scholarship competition regardless of how many times the test has been taken. The highest combined/mixed scores from two different test dates may not be combined. Copies of the official score sheet are acceptable and also are required as part of the Counselor/Principal form (page 3).

5. **GPA:** Please make sure the Counselor/Principal has filled in the applicant's GPA and all requested data on the page he/she fills out. The GPA must be presented on a 4.0 scale.

6. **Completeness of the Application Package:** The ability to follow the given instructions will be a factor in the award process.

Scholarships

1. Scholarships for academic year 2027-2028 will be limited to students who will be attending college in College Station, or Denton, Texas.

2. Scholarships are awarded for the full or partial cost of it all **OFF-CAMPU**S room for one (1) academic year at The Ridge at North Texas, and the Cambridge in College Station. **This scholarship cannot be transferred to another university or location** A scholarship awardee may be eligible for scholarship support the following year if the student maintains TSHA established academic and leadership standards and communicates with the TSHA Board as required.

3. A college grade point average of 3.0 is desired for renewal of the scholarship for subsequent years. The Board also requires you to keep them apprised of your progress in school.

KEEP THESE THREE PAGES OF INFORMATION FOR YOUR RECORDS

DO NOT MAIL WITH APPLICATION

TEXAS STUDENT HOUSING AUTHORITY
INCREMENTAL ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

PERSONAL PROFILE
Please type or print in ink

Last Name _____ **First Name** _____ **Middle:** _____

E-mail address: _____

Permanent Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Phone Number with Area Code: ( ) _____

Birth date _____ **Birthplace** _____
Month/Day/Year **City** **State** **County**

US Citizen? ☐ **Yes** ☐ **No** If "No" complete: _____
Country of Citizenship **Permanent resident PR#** **Visa Type**

Date Issued: _____
(Enclose copy of both sides of card)

Please indicate the gross annual household income for your family by checking the appropriate range below:

- ◯ Less than 50,000
- ◯ 50,001 to 125,000
- ◯ 125,000 and above

Please attach a current photograph of yourself here.

Name of High School District: _____

Location of College: ◯ **Denton** ◯ **College Station**

Please note: Failure to attach a current photo will delay the processing of your application.

Last Name _____ **First Name** _____ **Middle:** _____

HIGH SCHOOL COURSE WORK PROFILE

Fall 2027 - City where University/College is located (please select all that apply):

◯ College Station ◯ Denton

Please note, the TSHA Housing Scholarship only applies to housing in one of the two Texas cities listed above.

Name of University/College you will be attending: _____

Include acceptance letter with application (if not yet accepted and are subsequently accepted, send this updated information to TSHA ASAP so we can update your application.

High School:

List all high schools and colleges you have attended. Place first the school where you attend currently and list chronologically.

School Name	**School Address**	**City, State, Zip**	**Attendance Dates**

Senior Course Work:

List the courses you are taking this year. Identify courses that are Honors (H), Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), etc.

Term 1	**Term II**

College Course Work:

If you have taken or are currently taking college courses, list the course title(s), the college, the grade(s) earned and dates attended.

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PERSONAL STATEMENT

Personal statement should be typewritten on an 8½" by 11" white unlined paper, double-spaced, leaving 1 inch margins and using front side only. The personal statement must be included with this submittal. **Do not send items separately**. Since this statement may be photocopied for committee members, be sure the print is dark enough to produce legible photocopies. Please answer all the following questions in less than 250 words total for all 4 questions. It should be approximately 1 page in length.

- Why do you want and need this scholarship?
- Comment on high school courses that have been most challenging and rewarding.
- Comment on character traits, which have been your best assets.
- Describe your post-college ambition.

I understand that the information submitted herein will be relied upon by officials of the TSHA to determine my status as a scholarship candidate. I certify that the information in and submitted with this application is complete and correct and understand that it may be verified by the TSHA and that the submission of false information is grounds for rejection of my application and withdrawal of any offer of scholarship. I also give permission to release these materials to any appropriate scholarship committee.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

ACTIVITIES PROFILE
HONORS AND DISTINCTIONS

List major honors and distinctions, in order of importance to you, received both in and out of school during grades 9-12. Include the sponsor, basis of award and date received. DO NOT ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS. IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN 10, LIST THE 10 MOST IMPORTANT.

Award/Honor	Sponsor	Basis of Award	Date Received

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

List below, in order of importance to you, your principal extracurricular activities in grades 9-12 and college if applicable. (Do not list employment or volunteer work.) If not self-explanatory by title, please describe the activity. DO NOT ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS. IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN 8, LIST THE 8 MOST IMPORTANT.

Activity	Note grade level(s) of participation by recording number of hours per week & weeks per year you were/are involved in the activity.	Position/office held or honors won

COMMUNITY SERVICE OR ACTIVITIES

Describe the nature of the activities/community service (*Examples: Candy Striper, Literacy Volunteer, etc.)* your specific role, when you participated in the activities, and how much of your time was devoted to each activity. DO NOT ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS. IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN 8, LIST THE 8 MOST IMPORTANT.

Activity	Description/Role	Dates	Hours

WORK EXPERIENCE/SUMMER ACTIVITIES

Please list any jobs *(Example: Fast Food, Primary Caretaker, etc.)* you have held or are holding and provide dates of employment, hours per week, and a brief description of your position and responsibilities. You may also include significant summer activities such as academic enrichment or travel abroad. DO NOT ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS. IF YOU HAVE MORE THAN 8, LIST THE 8 MOST IMPORTANT.

Job/Activity	Position/Responsibilities	Date	Hours per week

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Writer Title Date

1. _____

2. _____

Checklist for scholarship application package:

COUNSELOR OR PRINCIPAL MUST COMPLETE THIS PAGE FOR APPLICATION TO BE COMPLETE

Student Name: _____ **High School:** _____

Name of School District: _____

1. **Standardized Test Scores:** Please fill in scores for all tests taken. Test scores are necessary for a student's scholarship application to be complete and should also be sent to the TSHA as soon as possible. The TSHA considers the student's highest one day test score for scholarship competition regardless of how many times the test is taken; the TSHA does not combine highest scores. Scores of the prior SAT format are still acceptable (i.e. verbal/math).

SAT: _____ Reading/writing _____ Math _____ TOTAL COMPOSITE _____ Date Taken

ACT: _____ English _____ Reading _____ Composite _____ Date Taken _____ Math _____ Sci. Reasoning

If student is retesting or if scores are not available, note below:

☐ SAT will be (re)taken _____ (date) ☐ ACT will be (re)taken _____ (date)

Indicate category of recognition (if applicable):

_____ Nat'l. Merit Commended _____ Nat'l. Merit Semifinalist ____ Other

____ Nat'l. Achievement Commended ____ Nat'l. Achievement Semifinalist

_____ Nat'l. Hispanic Hon. Mention Scholar _____ Nat'l. Hispanic Scholar

2. **Class Rank:** The candidate most recently ranks _____ in a class numbering _____.
If school does not rank; Student falls in the _____% of his/her class.

Rank is based on grades that are (check one): ☐ weighted ☐ unweighted

3. **GPA:** Student has a GPA of _____ on a 4 point scale.

AN OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT MUST BE ON FILE IN THE OFFICE OF THE TSHA FOR A SCHOLARSHIP FILE TO BE COMPLETE. Information on high school and/or school district, including types of courses offered, profiles of student body, etc, is helpful in the scholarship evaluation process.

4. **Letters of Recommendation:** Students must submit at least two (2) LETTERS of recommendation from a counselor, principal, teacher, employer, minister, etc. appraising the individual's academic and personal qualities and promise as a University/College student. Unusual family circumstances or special personal challenges should be presented. Scholarship committees are particularly interested in evidence of character, relative maturity, integrity, independence, interest, and any special talents or qualities. Please avoid listing activities which are available elsewhere in this application. **Letters must accompany this application.**

Has the student been accepted for enrollment to _____? ☐ Yes ☐ No

If no, has the student applied for admission? ☐ Yes ☐ No

5. Verification of Financial Hardship:

To the best of your knowledge, does this student and their family have a financial hardship? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Submitted by (print name):_____

Date: _____ Signature: _____

Title Position: _____ Email Address:_____

Phone Number: _____

School Address: _____

Either the student or the counselor/principal may return this application, personal statement, official transcript, and letters of recommendation as a part of this package, postmarked by **MARCH 1, 2027** to: **Texas Student Housing Authority, P.O. Box 110638, Lakewood Ranch, FL, 34211**

Please review the following checklist to ensure your application package is complete.

- ☐ Are you attending a university located in one of the following cities? College Station, or Denton, Texas.
- ☐ Have you included your full legal name?
- ☐ Have you entered your e-mail address and phone number and are they legible? You must advise TSH of any changes.
- ☐ Have you included the personal statement on a separate sheet of paper?
- ☐ Have you signed the application?
- ☐ Have you given the name of the college you attend or plan to attend?
- ☐ Have you enclosed your letter of acceptance from the college you plan to attend? If this letter is not enclosed, please forward it to TSHA as soon as possible.
- ☐ Have you enclosed an official high school transcript? If you are attending a University/College have you included both your high school and official college transcripts?
- ☐ Have you enclosed a COPY of your official SAT/ACT score sheet? TSHA does not require an original of the score sheet.
- ☐ Has your counselor/principal provided the information requested, including his/her signature, phone number and e-mail address? This information **MUST** be enclosed.
- ☐ Have you enclosed at **TWO** letters of recommendation?
- ☐ Have you answered all questions completely? (Failure to do so may delay the processing of your application.)
- ☐ Are the pages in order? Your personal Statement should follow page five followed by the letters of recommendation. Official High School and College Transcripts should complete the package as the last page(s)
- ☐ Have you correctly addressed the mailing envelope to the following address?

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P.O. Box 110638, Lakewood Ranch, FL, 34211

If you have any questions, call 817-946-6997 or e-mail txstudenthousing@gmail.com

DOUBLE CHECK YOUR APPLICATION PACKAGE!
PLEASE MAKE EVERY ATTEMPT TO SUBMIT
ALL ITEMS AT THE SAME TIME.