

## **TEXAS RICE FESTIVAL MEMBERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES**

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of the Texas Rice Festival Scholarship Award is to encourage and assist deserving young men and women desiring to further their education by attending an accredited college. The award will be two (2) \$3,000 scholarships to graduating High School Seniors.

- RULES:**
- 1) Selection of the recipient will be based on an essay. The content of the essay will be judged on how it relates to the chosen topic.
  - 2) The applicant must be a paid member or the child or grandchild of a paid member to apply. Must have been a paid member for 1 year prior to applying for scholarship.
  - 3) Applicants must write an essay, see topic on entry form. The essay must be typed and be a minimum of 300 words and a maximum of 500 words.
  - 4) Applicant must have an average of "80" or better during their high school years. Transcript and college entrance examination scores are required to be attached to the application.
  - 5) A photo must be included to be used for promotional purposes. The photo can be any size and should be original, not a scan of a picture.
  - 6) Essays will be judged by an outside teacher and reviewed by the Texas Rice Festival Scholarship Committee. The decision of the committee will be final.
  - 7) Recipients will receive \$1500 at the beginning of the fall semester upon documentation of college enrollment of at least 12 hours: and at the beginning of the spring semester upon documentation of college enrollment of at least 12 hours and a GPA of 2.5 for the previous fall semester. Recipients must use this scholarship the fall and spring semesters immediately following high school graduation.
  - 8) If the recipient does not utilize any of the scholarships, the unused balance of the scholarship will revert back to the Texas Rice Festival Scholarship Fund.

**2026**  
**TEXAS RICE FESTIVAL**  
**Membership Scholarship Application**  
**Applications must be received by 4pm May 8, 2026**  
**Mail to Texas Rice Festival, Box 147, Winnie, Texas 77665**

**Essay Topic:**

**HOW WILL WINNING THIS SCHOLARSHIP HELP ACCOMPLISH YOUR GOALS?**

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_

Education Plans: \_\_\_\_\_ 4 yrs. Academic \_\_\_\_\_ Vocational, business or technical

College/Institute you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted? \_\_\_\_\_ Area of intended study: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Student

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Signature of Parent