

ROBERT D. & CATHERINE ALEXANDER SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS 2009-2010 (Fort Worth)

Overview

Junior Achievement of the Chisholm Trail is pleased to offer scholarships to qualified high school seniors who have participated in a Junior Achievement program during high school. The following scholarships are available:

- JA-at-large Scholarships – for use at any four year college or university
- TCU – for use at Texas Christian University
- TWU – for use at Texas Wesleyan University
- Better Business Bureau Scholarship – use at any four year college or university (see application requirements on back)
- Tarrant County Bankers Assoc. Scholarship – use at any four year college or university
- John W. Spruill Leadership Scholarship – use at any four year college or university

Applicants should indicate which scholarship they wish to be considered for on the application. Scholarship application may be accessed via our website: www.jafortworth.org. Applicants can complete the form, print it and mail it with the required attachments. All forms must be received by the JA office no later than **April 7, 2010**.

Eligibility

To be considered for a scholarship under current selection procedures, a candidate:

1. Must have participated in a Junior Achievement program during high school in the Chisholm Trail franchise (Tarrant and surrounding counties).
2. Must have submitted a completed application with high school transcript and SAT/ACT scores. (Test scores may be recorded on transcript by school district). Information must be submitted by the deadline.
3. Must have overall GPA of 3.0 or higher.
4. Finalists must participate in an interview with the scholarship committee.

Basis for Determining Scholarship Winners

Winners of scholarships are selected on the basis of scholarship ability, participation in Junior Achievement programs as well as other organizational or extracurricular activities, and other information indicative of achievement, leadership, college and career potential, and financial need.

Applicants will be required to complete and submit an application in addition to their SAT/ACT test scores and high school transcript. The information submitted will be reviewed to determine top overall candidates. Applicants should limit information to the application. **Resumes, reference letters etc. will not be accepted.**

Top applicants will be invited to interview with our scholarship committee. The interview criteria includes but is not limited to:

- Application information (goals and plans, community and school interests, etc.)
- Communication Skills
- Personal Characteristics
- Career Preparation

Applicants invited to interview will be asked to give a 2-3 minute summary about themselves, indicating their accomplishments, their need and why they feel they are a deserving candidate for a scholarship through Junior Achievement.

Selection of Scholarship Winners

The scholarship selection committee is made up of educators, business professionals and members of the Board of Directors of Junior Achievement of the Chisholm Trail, Inc. This committee makes the final selection of scholarship winners based on the factors mentioned above. The scholarship winners will be announced in May 2010. The decisions of the committee are final.

Amount and Duration of Scholarship

Each scholarship is valued at a minimum of \$500 per semester, payable for up to 8 semesters or four years. The actual semester amount is determined by the type of scholarship. Funding may be used to cover tuition, fees, books, etc.

The student is encouraged to take regular rest periods from scholastic studies and therefore, no provisions are made for summer sessions or for more than three quarters in any one school year.

Selection of and Admission to College

The scholarship recipient is required to enroll in an accredited four year college, university or approved two year college, in the first full term following the award. There is no restriction as to major.

It will be the responsibility of each scholarship winner to select his/her college and courses, and to personally take all steps necessary for admission to the college of his/her choice.

Obligations of Scholarship Winners

The recipient must carry a full academic program toward graduation within the normal period of attendance. A minimum semester course-load of 12 hours must be maintained. If it becomes necessary or desirable for a scholarship recipient to change or transfer to a different institution, it is the recipient's responsibility to notify Junior Achievement of the Chisholm Trail in writing. The recipient is required to furnish certain information on a semester-basis and maintain certain GPA levels. Failure to do so may result in being dropped from the program.

General Provisions

It is the intent of Junior Achievement of the Chisholm Trail that no scholarship will be discontinued short of its full term except for failure of the student to maintain qualifications in accordance with the conditions set forth in this report, and the scholar-

ship agreement. However, Junior Achievement of the Chisholm Trail reserves the right to modify or discontinue the program in whole or in part, at any time. No responsibility is assumed by Junior Achievement of the Chisholm Trail or the Scholarship Selection Committee for the personal conduct of scholarship candidates or winners.

Correspondence

All inquiries or other correspondence from scholarship winners concerning the Scholarship Program should be addressed to:

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BETTER BUSINESS BUREAU SCHOLARSHIP

Junior Achievement has partnered with the Better Business Bureau to award two annually renewable scholarships to students that have completed a JA program at their high school. It can be used at the college or university of your choice. By virtue of having completed the general Junior Achievement scholarship application, this allows you an additional opportunity to be eligible to apply for this scholarship. You are invited to write a maximum 250 word essay on the topic –

“If you owned or ran a business, how would you promote ethics with your employees, vendors, and investors?”

The essay can either be hand written or typed, but cannot be any longer than 250 words. Be sure to put your first and last name, and the name of your high school on your essay. Once you have completed the essay, please send it by the deadline, along with your application to:

Junior Achievement, 6300 Ridglea Place, Suite 400, Fort Worth, TX 76116

JOHN W. SPRUILL LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP

The John W. Spruill Leadership Scholarship was established in 1995 as a memorial scholarship for developing youth in preparation for their leadership contribution to the business community and society. This scholarship honors John's leadership as Chairman of the Board of Alcon Surgical and his long-term participation on the Board of Junior Achievement. His personal philosophy of “Leadership starts in the heart with a desire to set a good example” led him to be a proponent of giving deserving young people a leg up in the world to find his or her own productive path.

One four-year scholarship of \$2,500 per year is awarded bi-annually every even year. Students applying must not only meet the qualifying standards of the Junior Achievement general scholarships in academia and JA participation, but also must demonstrate leadership qualities and achievements relating to extracurricular activities at school, community and philanthropic involvement, as well as employment.