

Texas PTA Faculty Scholarship Application



Texas PTA offers up to \$500 scholarships for teachers, teachers' aides, or other faculty members planning to take college credit courses, workshops or continuing education which improves the applicant's teaching proficiency or applies to a specific education-related certification (includes middle management, administrator, counselor, etc.). These courses may include online and correspondence courses. Awarded scholarships apply to the summer, fall, and/or spring terms following the current school year.

The Texas PTA scholarship program is tangible evidence of our desire to improve the quality of education for Texas students.

Who May Apply?

- Applicant must be a teacher, teacher's aide, or other faculty member with three or more completed years of experience in Texas schools prior to application.
- Applicant must be employed in a school with a Local PTA/PTSA that has achieved Active Status by December 1.
- Applicant must be a current PTA member by December 1 at their employed campus. *Note: PTA membership is a renewable, annual membership. Current membership year begins August 1.*
- Applicant must plan to enroll no later than July 15 immediately following the notification of the award scholarship.
- Immediate family members of the Texas PTA Board of Directors or staff are not eligible to apply. Affected applicants must allow for one year to elapse before eligibility is restored.
- Must not have received a Texas PTA scholarship within the past 24 months.
- A completed electronic application must be received by November 15. Application can be found at www.txpta.org/scholarships.

Preparing Required Documents

Please submit documents as a .doc, .docx, or .pdf (preferred) format.
The online application requires:

- A resume, limited to one page, listing relevant work experience, community activities, PTA involvement, and special recognition or awards.
- Four separate responses to the following. The first three responses have a minimum of 150 and maximum of 300 word count.
 1. Please outline the specific coursework you plan to complete and explain how it will benefit students and their families beyond your classroom.
 2. How have you fostered partnerships with families to support their children's education, and what positive impact has this had on your classroom and school?
 3. What is your understanding of the PTA mission? What is your involvement with PTA? How have its programs and initiatives specifically impacted your classroom and school community? Please provide specific examples.
 4. How will receiving this scholarship help you achieve your educational goals and pursue this coursework? Please explain any financial circumstances that make the scholarship important to your ability to enroll or complete the coursework. (No minimum or maximum word count)

NOTE: Be prepared to provide your PTA President's name and email address.

Application Process

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Prepare Required Docs (PDFs preferred)

One-page resume

Pre-write responses to four questions (Min 150 / Max 300 words)

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Complete Application (September 15 - November 15)

www.txpta.org/scholarships

Applicant must be a teacher, aid, or faculty member with 3 yrs of Texas school experience and a member of their campus PTA by 12/1.

Will need PTA President's email address

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Selection

Applications will be reviewed in multiple rounds, depending on number of applications received.

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Results & Disbursement

Results posted on the Texas PTA website no later than April 1.

Awardees must claim their scholarship no later than July 15.

Disbursements sent directly to institution of enrollment.

Further instructions provided on submitting required documentation for disbursement.

Failure to meet the deadline will result in forfeiture of scholarship.