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As the economy has become a daily topic in most of our lives, we know that costs, especially in education, change daily also. With that in mind, the South Texas County Judges and Commissioners Association is now accepting applications for the awarding of scholarships for children or grandchildren of current county judges and commissioners.

College scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded to three applicants during our annual conference in Corpus Christi on June 1-3, 2025.

To be eligible for scholarship consideration, each applicant must be a child, grandchild or student under the legal guardianship of a current judge or commissioner. Each applicant must be a current resident of a county within the 63-member county region. Applicants must be graduating high school seniors for the class of 2024 or pursuing an undergraduate degree at a four-year university.

Applications will be judged on the following criteria:

- * Personal résumé
- * Letters of reference (3)
- * Official transcript
- * Completed application form

The scholarship's funds are not derived from tax dollars collected from member dues. Instead, funding comes from previous conference proceeds, not at taxpayer expense.

All entries are to be submitted to South Texas CJCA President David Fuentes for Scholarship Committee consideration. All entries are to be received or postmarked by 5 p.m. on May 16, 2025. Entries are to be sent to:

Honorable David Fuentes President, South Texas Judges and Commissioners Association 1902 Joe Stephens Ave., Ste. 101 Weslaco, TX 78596 David.fuentes@co.hidalgo.tx.us

South Texas Judges and Commissioners Association Scholarship Application Form

General Information:

Home Address:	
email address:	
nmissioners Court Member:	
rson is a Judge or Commissioner), Address and County:	
Commissioners Court Member's Phone Number:	
School Address:	
High School Phone Number:	
Projected Grade-Point Average at Graduation:	
Projected Ranking in Graduation Class:	
What is the Current Enrollment Number of Students in Your High School?	
Are You, or Will You Be, a Candidate for Any Scholarship (such as scholastic, athletic, work, etc.)? (You May Attach a Separate Sheet of Paper If Necessary):	
Extra Curricular Activities (You May Attach a Separate Sheet of Paper If Necessary):	
Awards & Achievements (You May Attach a Separate Sheet of Paper If Necessary):	
Essay Questions – Attach separate sheets of paper Essay 1. Tell us in 200 words or fewer why you are seeking a scholarship and identify any special financial need. Essay 2. Where do you see yourself in 10 years? Please provide with this completed application: 1. Your personal résumé 2. Three (3) personal letters of reference 3. Official transcript 4. SAT or ACT score	

DATE

Please return or postmark your application by 5 p.m. on May 16, 2025, to:

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SIGNATURE

GENERAL INFORMATION

The scholarship application is to be used for scholarships awarded by the South Texas County Judges and Commissioners Association (STCJCA). All scholarship applications must be submitted to the chair of the STCJCA Scholarship Committee on the approved form either by hand delivery, electronic format (PDF) or postmarked by **5 p.m. on May 16, 2025**.

The Scholarship Committee will evaluate the overall comprehensiveness of the application.

ELIGIBILITY

The STCJCA is pleased to offer scholarship opportunities to a child or grandchild of an active member of the Association.

SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

All applications must adhere to the following guidelines:

- 1. Submit a completed scholarship application. Incomplete applications may not be considered.
- 2. The president of the STCJCA will appoint a Scholarship Committee to review the applications and make the selection.
- 3. Any application received by the Scholarship Committee chair or South Texas CJCA president postmarked after May 16 shall not be considered by the committee (electronic PDF application accepted by 5 p.m. on deadline date).
- 4. Scholarships will be awarded at the annual conference of the STCJCA.
- 5. The student's grade average should be considered, but grades should not be the only consideration. The needs of the student, whether the student is receiving other scholarships, the student's sincere desire to attend college, and other similar information should be considered.
- 6. Each recipient will be notified in writing by the Scholarship Committee chair.
- 7. Upon proof of enrollment to an institution of higher education, a check will be issued to that institution in the scholarship recipient's name.
- 8. Scholarships must be used during the fall semester after they are awarded.