

The William R. Stewart Scholarship Guidelines

Scholarship for Continuing Education toward Degree in Agricultural Related Fields.

The William R. Stewart Scholarship has been funded to offer an annual award to an exceptional graduating senior who plans to continue his/her education in a degree program resulting in a bachelor's degree in Agricultural Related Fields. The scholarships are in recognition of the graduates' achievements and desire to reach their goals in life. The award will be paid directly to the accredited school of higher education that the recipient has chosen and been accepted upon proof of enrollment (i.e., tuition and fees statement, invoice issued by the school, etc.) in the coming fall semester. The scholarship will only pay tuition, fees, and books. The award amount of each scholarship traditionally has been \$1,000.00.

Race, gender, age, religion, or relation to an Alumni member will not be a factor in choosing the recipient of this scholarship. Selection will be based upon the applicants' desire to continue their education, citizenship and school support as well as the following criteria.

The General Alumni Scholarship application criteria are as follows:

- A. The applicants must have an earnest desire to enter college to continue their education with the stated intent of pursuing a career in the field of Agricultural Related Fields.
- B. Applicants must have exhibited exemplary behavior in and around High School as noted in their letters or recommendation.
- C. Recommendation from his/her FFA advisor and a current teacher or principal who helped guide their interest into their chosen career. **(Two letters required.)**
- D. Applicants must have a non-weighted GPA of 2.5 or better. **(Transcript must be submitted.)**
- E. Applicants must have been active in one or more of the following: Campus Organization, Extra-Curricular Activity.
- F. Punctuation, spelling and neatness in the application will be considered in the selection.
- G. The completed application should be typed, including cover letter, transcript and two letters of recommendation, must be submitted to the senior counselor or main office by the designated due date. **(Incomplete Applications Will NOT be considered.)**
- H. The scholarship recipient must be present at the Annual Alumni Banquet in order to receive award. **(This requirement waived for 2020.)**
- I. If the applicant feels there is a valid reason (s)he cannot attend the Alumni Banquet, (s)he can request an exception be made to the Chairman of the Selection

Committee. The final decision will be made by the Scholarship Committee. **(This requirement waived for 2020.)**

- J. To secure payment of the scholarship awards to their chosen school, the recipients must mail their proof of enrollment to:

Tecumseh High School Alumni Association
Attn: Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 304
Tecumseh, OK 74873-0304

Scholarships must be claimed no later than September 15th for the Fall Semester and no later than February 15th for the Spring Semester of the year following high school graduation. Proof of enrollment must be submitted no later than November 15th for the Fall Semester and March 15th for the Spring Semester

Selection Procedure:

- A. The Scholarship Selection Committee will consist of the Alumni Officers or a designated committee.
- B. If the President is related in any way to any of the applicants, the First Vice-President shall serve as the Committee Chair.
- C. Due to Privacy Act concerns, only designated committee members may attend selection meetings. No discussions involving identity of applicants are permitted. Chairman and committee may only have discussion of rankings if required.
- D. The committee will select alternate applicants in case the selected recipient fails to attend the Banquet or for some reason declines the award. The alternate applicants will be ranked as Alternate #1 and #2, etc.
- E. Only the chairman of the Selection Committee has the authority to announce the recipients.
- F. As stated in Section XII of the Tecumseh High School Alumni By-Laws, the Selection Committee or the Alumni Officers will select the scholarship recipients. The President will review all applications to determine eligibility.
- G. In meeting criteria: The Selection Committee will review the applications anonymously thus eliminating any bias and ensuring each applicant will be considered fairly.
- H. The applications will then be returned to the President (Chairman) and identified.

[APPLICATION ATTACHED]

WILLIAM R. (BILL) STEWART SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The following information must be submitted to the Counselor's office.

The application must consist of a Letter of Recommendation for his/her FFA Advisor and a current Principal or Teacher. The application must include a brief statement indicating their future goals and expectations.

All payments are made directly to the College, University, or Institute after receipt of copy of official "Invoice/Bill" from school. This scholarship only covers Tuition, Books, and Fees.

An applicant must include the following information, submit a current transcript as of May 1st, 2020; and attach the required Letters of Recommendation.

DUE DATE: JUNE 1ST, 2020

SCHOLARSHIP \$1,000.00

Cover Page Only:

Student's Name; Parent's or Guardian Name, Address Zip Code; Phone Number.

Application: (Not to exceed 2 typed pages excluding cover page and required documents)

APPLICATION # (As Assigned by Counselor)

- College or University, or Institute of Higher Learning You Plan to Attend.
- What Course of Study Do You Plan to Pursue?
- I have been active in Vocational Agriculture (indicate years that apply):
Freshman (9th) _____
Sophomore (10th) _____
Junior (11th) _____
Senior (12th) _____
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Senior (12th) _____
- Please List Organizations to Which You Belong While Attending THS.
- (Separate Page) Dialog regarding planned course of study, future goals, and why you should be selected.
- Cumulative non-weighted G.P.A. (Attach Separate Transcript)

Do you qualify for OHLAP or Pell Grant? Yes No Don't know

Have you applied for either? Yes No If yes List: _____
