



TEXAS ASSOCIATION FOR THE GIFTED & TALENTED

Adelle McClendon Young Leader Scholarship

In 500 words or less, please provide an essay describing: How you have exhibited leadership; Areas in which you have decision-making experience; Your aspirations and goals related to the university you plan to attend; Your community service experience; Some unique experience and/or obstacle you have overcome.

In 250 words or less, please provide a composition about a leader whose philosophy, contribution, and/or style has inspired you.

Please provide a resume of activities, awards, accomplishments, and public service experiences during high school.

Upload one letter of recommendation from an educator who taught you in high school. If preferred, recommendations can be emailed to TAGT directly at membership@txgifted.org.

Upload one letter of recommendation from another adult who is not a family member. If preferred, recommendations can be emailed to TAGT directly at membership@txgifted.org.

Laura Allard Future Vision Scholarship

Please provide a personal statement (maximum of 500 words) describing the following:

- Your area(s) of outstanding academic achievement
- Your plan for future studies involving this academic discipline(s) at the university level
- Your long-term aspirations and goals in this area(s)

Applicants must submit three (3), and only three, exhibits associated with the different eligibility criteria below to provide evidence of exemplary achievement. Use separate exhibit cover pages for each exhibit submission (cover page templates found at <https://www.txgifted.org/scholarships>). For

non-print artifacts, you may represent these with a photo image taken with a camera or downloaded from a website or create a representation using other digital media. It may be constructive to consult with a teacher, counselor or another educational advocate/mentor who can help you to identify and craft your exhibits. Students are permitted to submit three exhibits from the same category, but are encouraged to submit different exhibit types to display various accomplishments and abilities.

1. **Exceptional test score.** Be identified as highly gifted as evidenced by nationally standardized intelligence or achievement test scores: comprehensive or subtest score. Scored in top 5% on standardized test scores within the last three years.
2. **Accelerated.** Be grade or content area accelerated by at least one year. One referral letter should provide evidence of acceleration within content of letter.
3. **Exemplary achievement.** Provide evidence of exceptional accomplishment, i.e., received a distinguishing award, scholarship, won competition generally received/earned by a person 1 or more years older than nominee. Provide copy or scan of award letter with statement attached explaining the exemplary achievement.
4. **Early Entrance or Dual Enrollment.** Entered high school by age 13 or younger OR college by age 15 or younger.
5. **Exemplary School Work.** Provide a sample of work (DVD or video link) that sets this student/applicant apart from his/her peers in a specific gifted category or content area discipline. Attach a statement explaining the exemplary schoolwork.
6. **Competition Winner.** Won state, regional, national or international status in an academic or arts competition (e.g., chess, science, mathematics, arts, leadership, forensics, engineering). Provide copy of award letter or other evidence, along with a statement explaining the significance of the competition.

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Summer Enrichment Scholarships

Student: What would you like the TAGT Scholarship Committee to know about you? (500 word maximum)

Student: Why do you want to attend this summer program? (500 word maximum)

Parent: What would you like the TAGT Scholarship Committee to know about your child? (500 word maximum) *To give a strong recommendation for your child, elaborate on your responses, focusing on your child's strengths. Be sure to include specific examples. The TAGT Scholarship Committee is especially interested in supporting evidence outside of the school environment.*

Parent: Do you have any financial circumstances about which the TAGT Scholarship Evaluation Committee should be aware? (500 word maximum)

Please provide an adult recommendation from an adult who is not the parent. A strong recommendation of a student will focus on the strengths of the applicant. Include examples, if possible. If the adult wishes to send the recommendation directly to TAGT, they can email it to membership@txgifted.org

You must apply to a summer program for admission. **If you won a summer scholarship in 2023 or 2024, you are not eligible to apply this year.** You will be asked to provide the following: Name of Summer Program, Program website and Program Cost (it is ok if this changes after you submit an application).

Amount of scholarship requested (\$1,000 maximum)