



## **Alief ISD Education Foundation**

### **Student Scholarship Application Packet**

Revised: March 2017

Dear Graduating Senior:

The Alief ISD Education Foundation is proud to offer ten scholarships to the Graduating Class of 2016.

**\$2,000 Foundation Scholarships/20 scholarships available/Grade Point of 2.5 or higher/funded by the Alief ISD Education Foundation/Scholarships are payable at \$500 per semester for up to two years upon receipt of invoice from college/trade school.\***

**\$1,500 Jason Best Scholarship, a former Alief student—The winner will receive \$1500 per year for up to four years of post-secondary instruction. Students must maintain a 2.5 or higher grade point and full-time student status. A transcript or other acceptable documentation must be submitted annually. This is Year 6 of the cycle so four scholarships will be awarded—one to recipients from the Class of 2014, 2015 and 2016 and another from the Class of 2017. The scholarship is payable upon receipt of invoice from college/trade school.\***

**\$2,000 Pay It Forward, It's All About Relationships, A.O. (Chuck) Lang, III/1 scholarship available/Grade Point of 2.0 or higher/funded by A.O. (Chuck) Lang/Scholarship is payable upon receipt of invoice from college/trade school.\***

**\$1,000 ALT/ILT Scholarships/The number of ALT/ILT Scholarships will be determined after a fundraising event scheduled for April 21./ Grade Point of 2.5 or higher/funded by the Alief ISD Administrative/Instructional Team/Scholarships are payable upon receipt of invoice from college/trade school.\***

**\$1,000 Dancing With the Alief Stars Scholarships/ Grade Point of 2.0 or higher/The number of DWTAS/Scholarships are payable upon receipt of invoice from college/trade school.\***

***\*Applicants will forfeit their scholarship if their total expenses (Tuition, Housing, Meal Plans, Books, Fees) have been covered by other funding entities. The scholarship will then be offered to the top applicant on the "reserve" list.***

***Funds not spent by May 2018 will be forfeited and returned to the Foundation's general scholarship fund.***

Applications will be evaluated on the following:

- a. Academics (GPA of 2.0 or higher-depending on the scholarship [Please refer to the scholarship information above for GPA requirements.], high school transcript)
- b. Essay (200-300 words)
- c. Community service and/or employment
- d. School activities (clubs, sports)
- e. Possible Interview (15 minutes)

### **Scholarship Process:**

Application forms will be supplied to the senior centers of each high school and will be available on the Foundation's website: [www.AliefEducationFoundation.org](http://www.AliefEducationFoundation.org). **Please remember: Applicants are also being graded on grammar, content, spelling, and style as well as answering the questions as stated. This is a "formal" application packet, and applicants should take the same care as they would if they were writing/formatting an essay for a major grade.**

1. The applications will be available to any graduating senior who plans to obtain a degree and whose GPA meets the requirements listed above. **The applicant will complete and return the neatly printed application to the senior center at each respective school by Wednesday, April 12, 2017, by 3:00 p.m.**

2. A 200-300 word essay on the topic listed on the application. A **typed** or **computer-printed** version of the essay must be the sole product of the applicant.
3. Two letters of recommendation—**one from a teacher and one from a non-school person must be submitted**. The letters must be attached to the application.
4. A copy of the applicant's high school transcript must be obtained from the counselor.

Applications will be reviewed, and the top finalist(s) may be asked to attend a 15-minute interview. If an interview is necessary, the finalist(s) will be notified of the date and time of the interview. If applicants have questions about the scholarship process, the school counselor or Senior Center rep will be able to assist.. Recipients of the scholarships will be announced at the end-of-the-year awards ceremony for each Alief ISD high school.

### **Purpose:**

The student scholarship awards are designed to aid deserving, academically oriented students in furthering their education.

### **Persons Eligible to Apply for Scholarships:**

Applicants must be graduating high school seniors who have been, or anticipate being, accepted to an accredited two-year or four-year college institution or a trade school offering coursework designed to earn a certification.

### **Due Date:**

College and Career Center personnel will check each application to ensure that the student has completed it properly and attached all necessary information. Senior Center personnel must submit the applications to Craig Eichhorn, Treasurer/Alief ISD Education Foundation, 4250 High Star at Cook Rd., by Friday, April 14, 2017, by 3:00 p.m. Late applications will not be scored!

### **Selection Process:**

1. Applications will be reviewed by the Student Scholarship Application Review Committee. This committee may be comprised of one or more foundation directors (appointed by the President of the Foundation), the Assistant to the Superintendent of Instructional Services, the Executive Director of Secondary Education, and/or one or two civic leaders.
2. Finalists will be notified of the date and time of the interview (if committee members deem it necessary).
3. If recommended for approval, the applications are then presented to the Foundation Board of Directors for review and formal approval.
4. Awarded funds are for the 2017 summer semester, the 2017 fall semester and/or the 2018 spring semester.
5. **Please Note: The scholarships are to cover the following expenses: tuition, housing, meal plans, books, and fees. If a student is awarded a Foundation scholarship and the student receives a scholarship(s) that cover all expenses, the Foundation scholarship will be awarded to the next qualifying applicant.**

**To receive awarded funds, you must submit an invoice to be paid directly to the university/post-secondary institution, or you will need to submit a paid receipt from the university or post-secondary institution for books. Requests for payment to the university/post-secondary institution should include a student ID or account number and an address for mailing the scholarship payment.**

**Please send requests to Craig Eichhorn, Treasurer/Alief ISD Education Foundation, 4250 Cook Road, Houston, Texas 77072. For additional information, Mr. Eichhorn can also be reached at 281-498-8110, ext. 29216.**

Application Number \_\_\_\_\_

(for office use only)

**Alief ISD Education Foundation  
Student Scholarship Application**

Name of High School:

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip

Phone Number:

Date of Birth:

Father's Name:

Occupation:

Mother's Name:

Occupation:

GPA (on 4 point scale):

Rank in Class:

out of

total

SAT Total Score:

Verbal:

Math:

Writing:

ACT Scores:

Have you applied for admission into a college or university?

yes

no

(circle one)

If so, which one(s)?

Have you been accepted?

yes

no

(circle one)

Explain your financial and/or personal need for scholarship assistance:

School Activities: Clubs, Sports, etc. – indicate years of involvement and offices held:

Honors and Awards:

Community Activities: Scouts, Church, Volunteer, Employment, etc. (indicate dates and responsibilities)

**Essay:**

On a separate sheet, please write a 200 to 300 word essay about your educational and career goals. (Don't forget to tell us why you are choosing your area of study.). **As stated on a previous page, please remember that you are being graded on grammar, content, spelling, and style as well as answering the questions as stated. This is a "formal" application packet, and applicants should take the same care as they would if they were writing/formatting an essay for a major grade.**

**Affidavit:**

*I do hereby certify that the information provided is correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that I will forfeit my scholarship if my total expenses (Tuition, Housing, Meal Plan, Books, Fees) have been covered by other funding entities. The scholarship will then be offered to the top applicant on the Foundation's "reserve" list. I also understand that funding is only available until May 1, 2017.*

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Student signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Counselor signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Please have your Senior Center representative review your application and deliver it, along with your required transcript and two letters of recommendation, to:

Craig Eichhorn, Treasurer  
Alief ISD Education Foundation  
4250 Cook Road  
Houston, Texas 77072