

Brazosport Christian School Scholarship Handbook

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Psalm 32:8

*I will instruct you and teach you in the way which you should go;
I will counsel you with My eye upon you.*

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Instructions for Submitting Local Scholarship Applications

- The scholarships listed in this handbook are considered “Local Scholarships”
- A separate application form is required for each scholarship.
- BCS Scholarship Application can be picked up at the Secondary Office or found on the website at www.1bcs.org
- If you do not have access to a computer at home, contact Mrs. Travis and she will help you obtain access to a BCS computer to use.
- Scholarships are more easily read if they are typed or completed on the computer (if the application is available in electronic format). If not available in electronic format, please print legibly. If the application is completed on the computer, please print out the application to either mail in to the organization or give to the BCS College Counselor per the specific requirements of the scholarship.
- If assistance from the BCS College Counselor is needed, including official high school transcripts, please fill out the necessary scholarship forms and/or transcript release forms and turn in to the College Counselor at least six working days before the scholarship deadline.
- If letters of recommendation are required, give the teacher/counselor/principal at least two weeks notice to write them. Be considerate of others time, especially if you want them to say something nice about you. Provide them with information concerning to whom the letter should be addressed. Will they need to mail the letter or will it be given to the BCS College Counselor? Provide any specific essay requirements. Will the writer need a list of your accomplishments and activities?
- PLEASE NOTE ALL DEADLINES.

Instructions for Submitting College Scholarship Applications

- Your college may accept the scholarship application that is available on www.applytexas.org. If so, continue filling out the information required at the end of your college application on www.applytexas.org.
- If your college does not accept the www.applytexas.org scholarship application, find out what is required from the college website.
- Check with your college to see if they offer the following types of scholarships:
 - Talent Scholarships (Dance, Voice, Instrumental, Band, etc.)
 - Departmental Scholarships in the field of your major
 - Academic Scholarships

Instructions for Applying for Federal Student Aid

- Apply for Federal Aid through the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA). Complete the FAFSA with your parents/guardians. Apply at www.fafsa.com. This can be submitted after until January 1st each year. The BCS College Counselor has a worksheet to help you gather the information needed for FAFSA prior to submitting it online. This information is also available in the BCS College Information Handbook available in the BCS College Counselor’s office or on the BCS website at www.1bcs.org. Look under “High School” and “College and Career”.

Additional Resources

- Check out the College Information Handbook available in the College Counselor’s office or on the BCS website at www.1bcs.org under “High School” and “College and Career”.
- Check with your church and/or denomination to see if they offer scholarships.
- Check with the corporations where your parents work to see if they offer scholarships.
- Check with the organizations you or your parents are members of to see if they offer scholarships.

American Chemical Society Scholars Program

Eligibility

- African American, Hispanic/Latino, or American Indian
- U.S. citizen or permanent resident of the US
- Full-time student at an accredited college, university or community college
- High academic achievers in chemistry or science (GPA 3.0 or better)
- Able to demonstrate evidence of financial need according to FAFSA
- A high school senior, college freshman, sophomore or junior intending to or already majoring in chemistry, biochemistry, chemical engineering or a chemically-related science and planning a career in the chemical sciences or chemical technology.
- Students planning careers in medicine or pharmacy are not eligible for this program.

Amount

Approximately 100 scholarships are awarded for up to \$2500 for freshmen and up to \$3000 for sophomores, juniors and seniors per academic year. The scholarships are renewable for all four or five years of an undergraduate degree so long as the student maintains a GPA of 3.0 in an approved major. Renewable forms and transcripts are required each year.

Selection

An ACS Selection Committee is comprised of members from the minority groups that the scholarship program is designed to attract and college professors. Announcement of awards occurs in June.

Application Process

- Complete the application found at www.chemistry.org/scholars or call 800-227-5558, ext. 6250 or email scholars@acs.org
- Complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid).
- Arrange to have your ACT or SAT scores reported to the ACS Scholars Program, follow instructions printed on the application form for transmittal.
- Official High School transcript

Deadline

March 1st annually

American Chemical Society Brazosport Section

Eligibility

- Must be an outstanding chemistry student
- Must plan to attend a junior college, college or university
- Must plan to declare a major in chemistry or chemical engineering
- Financial need will be a consideration

Amount

Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded to students from high schools in Brazoria County.

Selection

Candidates should complete the application form supplied by the Brazosport Section of the ACS. This form should be submitted along with the standard scholarship application supplied by the high school. Selection of recipients will be made by the Scholarship and Awards Committee of the Brazosport Section of the American Chemical Society.

Forms Required

- ACS Brazosport Section Application Form
- School Standard Scholarship Application
- Official High School Transcript

Application Process

Request application from BCS Counselor.

Return application to:

Dr. J.D. Weaver

Chairman, Awards Committee

American Chemical Society, Brazosport Section

122 Anchusa

Lake Jackson, TX 77566

979-238-7504 work

979-297-6894 home

JDWeaver@dow.com

Deadline

February 15th annually

American Institute Of Chemical Engineers

Eligibility

Must be a graduating senior in a Brazoria or Matagorda County High School, which is represented by the membership of the local section of the American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE): Brazosport, Brazoswood, West Columbia, Sweeny, Bay City, Van Vleck, Angleton, Danbury and Brazosport Christian School.

Amount

Determined by availability. Typically \$500

Selection

- The recipient will be selected from applicants from the eight area high schools in our local section. Criteria for the selection are scholarship, leadership and financial need, with the possibility of an interview.
- Must enroll in Chemical Engineering at an accredited college or university.

Application Process

Request application from and return application to:

Brian J. Zielke

AIChE – Texas Gulf Coast Section

PO Box 2289

Freeport, TX 77542

979-238-3579 work

bjzielke@dow.com

Deadline

April 15th annually

Boys & Girls Club Of Brazoria County Scholarship

Eligibility

- Must be a present or former member of the Boys and Girls Club. Considerable volunteer service with the Boys and Girls Club of Brazoria County will be considered in lieu of BGC membership.
- Must be a graduating senior.
- Must be performing academically to a point that predicts success
- Financial need will be considered

Amount

Not less than \$300 awarded when the Boys and Girls Club of Brazoria County receives verification of the recipient's enrollment as a full-time student at a university or college.

Selection

- Students should state how the field of study they choose to pursue would benefit youth. Alternatively, they may state how they plan to serve youth regardless of their planned field of study.
- The Scholarship Committee of the Boys and Girls Club of Brazoria County will assess eligibility, need, and potential for academic success and select recipient(s). All decisions of the Committee are final.

Application Process

Request application from and return application to:

Faye Beard, Executive Director

Boys & Girls Club

202 W. First Street

Freeport, TX 77541

979-373-9668

www.bgcbc.com

Deadline

March 15th annually

Brazoria County Cattlemen's Association

Eligibility

- A scholarship will be awarded to a deserving student entering a college. If the scholarship selection committee approves no student, this award will not be made for the year.
- The student must have been a resident of Brazoria County for at least one (1) year before he/she is eligible for the scholarship.
- The student should be pursuing a career in veterinary medicine or an agriculturally related field.
- The student must be planning to attend a two or four year accredited or approved college or university.

Amount

\$1500 to be paid to the credit of student's account at the college of his/her choice, over two years.

Selection

- Scholastic standing
- Need for financial assistance
- Results of personal interview by the Brazoria County Cattlemen's Association Scholarship Committee.

Application Process

Request application from and return application to:
Brazoria County Cattlemen's Association
PO Box 818
Angleton, Texas 77516-0818
979-849-6416

Deadline

March 1st annually

Brazoria County Fair Association Life Member Scholarship Fund

Eligibility

- Applicant must be a graduating 12th grade high school student currently enrolled in a state-accredited Brazoria County school
- Applicant must be a resident of Brazoria County and at least one parent or guardian must be a member of the Brazoria County Fair Association
- Applicant must have competed in a scheduled fair sponsored competition for at least two years in his/her 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th grade years. This includes any off-season fair sponsored event. Brazoria county Fair Youth Advisory Council members are also eligible. Fair parade does not qualify as a competition.
- Applicant must be planning to attend a two or four year accredited or approved college, university or trade school
- Scholarship payments to include books, tuition and related fees, will be made to the college, university or trade school of the winners choice at the rate of \$500.00 per semester, up to \$10000 per year, not to exceed \$2000 over a two year period. In the case of trade school recipients, payment schedule may be adjusted to meet different semester and total term requirements
- Selection of the scholarship winner will be made by the Brazoria County Fat Stock and Fair Association, Inc., and will be announced at each respective school's award program
- Student must pass 12 semester/quarter college hours maintaining a 2.0 grade point average or will forfeit scholarship
- Semester grades must be sent to the Brazoria County Fair Office before next semester is paid
- Merit must exist to be awarded to scholarship

Amount

Awards of \$2,000.00 each will be given to selected outstanding Brazoria County 12th grade students pursuing a career in any field.

Selection

- Fair participation
- Financial need
- Scholastic ability

Application Process

Request application from and return application to:

Brazoria County Fair Association

PO Box 818

Angleton, Texas 77516-0818

979-849-6416

Deadline

March 1st annually

Brazoria County Texas A&M Mothers' Club Scholarship

Eligibility

- Must already be accepted by Texas A&M University and planning to attend either the College Station or Galveston campus
- Must show aptitude for college work
- Financial need will be a consideration
- Must attach an official high school transcript

Amount

One scholarship in the amount of \$500. \$500 will be paid upon enrollment for the fall semester at Texas A&M.

Selection

The scholarship committee of the Brazoria County A&M Mothers' Club will screen applicants. The committee may interview finalists. In addition to GPA the committee looks at community involvement.

Forms Required

- BCS Scholarship Application
- Acceptance letter from A&M
- Official High School Transcript
- Paragraph describing why student chose Texas A&M University and briefly describe their career interest

Application Process

Request application form and return application to:
BCS College Counselor

Deadline

March 1st annually

Brazosport A&M Club Scholarship

Eligibility

- Must already be accepted by Texas A&M University and planning to attend either the College Station or Galveston campus
- Must show aptitude for college work
- Financial need will be a consideration
- Must attach an official high school transcript
- Must submit SAT or ACT scores

Amount

One scholarship in the amount of \$1000 will be awarded. \$500 will be paid upon enrollment for the fall semester at Texas A&M and the remaining \$500 to be paid upon enrollment the following spring semester.

Selection

Applicants will be screened by the scholarship committee of the Brazosport A&M Club. Finalists will be interviewed by the committee.

Forms Required

- BCS Scholarship Application with SAT/ACT scores
- Acceptance letter from A&M
- Official High School Transcript
- Paragraph describing why student chose Texas A&M University and briefly describe their career interest

Application Process

Request application form and return application to:
BCS College Counselor

Deadline

March 1st annually

Brazosport Center Stages Scholarship

Eligibility

Student must be a graduating senior from Brazoswood, Brazosport, Brazosport Christian School, Angleton, Danbury, Columbia-Brazoria or Sweeny High School, or completing the senior year of an accredited home schooling program. Must show outstanding aptitude and ability, as well as exhibit a continuing interest in Drama, Dance, Technical theatre, Vocal or Instrumental Music. Must demonstrate a commitment to scholastics and education by a cumulative numeric average of 85.0 (B+) or better.

Amount

Up to five scholarships each in the amount of \$1000, will be awarded upon presentation of proof of registration in an accredited college or university program.

Selection

Applicants will be asked to demonstrate ability using three methods:

- Present a prepared selection (for example, a monologue, set design, recital or UIL solo) lasting not more than 6 minutes to demonstrate talent and overall ability. This will constitute 40% of the total score. The Scholarship Chairperson will notify applicants of the date and time of their presentation in the spring.
- An unprepared sight-reading or “cold” reading of about two-three minutes such as is typically encountered at auditions. The judges will choose this. The judges will interview those competing in the theatre arts. This will constitute 20% of the total score.
- A general knowledge question pertaining to the field in which the student auditions will constitute 10% of the total score.
- Past contributions to the Brazosport Center Stages’ productions will constitute 10% of the total score.
- The final 20% of the applicant’s total score will be given to overall scholarship based on class rank, standard tests and GPA.

Forms Required

- Official High School Transcript

Application Process

Request application from and return application to:

Brazosport Center Stages

Scholarship Committee

400 College Drive

Clute, Texas 77531

979-265-7661

www.bcfas.org

Deadline

March 1st annually

Brazosport Museum of Natural Science

The Raymond Walley Memorial Scholarship fund was established in honor of Raymond Walley, a respected amateur archaeologist and a founder of the Brazosport Museum of Natural Science.

Eligibility

- Student must become a full time student at Brazosport College.
- Student must submit a high school transcript and a scholarship application.

Amount

A scholarship in the amount of \$250 will be awarded.

Selection

The Museum of Scholarship committee will receive applications and make the selection from any high school senior in Brazoria County. In the event that the winner is unable to use the scholarship, it will be awarded to an alternate.

Contact

Request application from the BCS Counselor.

Return application to:

Brazosport Museum of Natural Science

P O Box 611

Lake Jackson, TX 77566

Deadline

March 1st annually

Brazosport Rotary Club Scholarship

Eligibility

- Enrollment in any field of study in a two or four year college or university for the academic year following high school graduation
- Applicant must submit application that includes all activities, achievements, and community service both in and outside of school with details of offices held, etc. Applicants may attach additional pages to the application to give complete information cited above.
- A transcript that includes class rank and cumulative grade point average must be attached to the application.

Amount

- One \$500 award. A check for \$250 will be paid at the beginning of the fall semester, and a check in the amount of \$250 will be paid at the beginning of the spring semester upon verification of the completion of the previous semester (minimum 12 hours) with a grade point average of 2.5 or more
- Payment will be made only upon receipt of registration and verification as a full time student (12 hours or more) for each semester and verification of 2.5 grade point average or better in the fall semester for spring semester payment

Forms Required

Special Application Form from BCS College Counselor

Application Process

Request application form and return application to:
BCS College Counselor

Deadline

March 1st annually

Daughters Of The Republic Of Texas, Cradle Of Texas Chapter

Eligibility

- Be an American Citizen and a direct descendant of an ancestor living in the Republic of Texas prior to February 1846.
- Be a single male or female student in the senior class of an accredited high school in Brazoria County, Matagorda County or Wharton County.
- Plan to use this scholarship award at a Texas college within one year of receiving it.

Amount

- Payment of \$500 scholarship will be placed on deposit with college or university applicant designates.
- If the student should fail to enroll or leave the college or university, any unused portion of scholarship shall be returned to the Cradle of Texas Chapter.
- Only the winner of the scholarship award will be notified.

Selection

Application will be judged on the basis of:

- Scholarship
- Financial need
- Extracurricular activities
- Essay
- References

Forms Required

- An essay of not more than 500 words stating “Why I want to go to college” and “Why I need financial aid”.
- Applicant must show proof of lineage by using the lineal chart with photocopies of birth certificates, marriage licenses and death certificates.
- Official High School Transcript with SAT or ACT test results
- Any information relative to extracurricular activities.
- Four letters of reference. Two personal references (neighbor, employer; not relatives) and two references from members of high school faculty.

Assemble application material in the following order:

- Application
- Ancestor chart
- Proof of lineage
- Official High School Transcript with SAT or ACT test results
- Essay
- Extracurricular activities
- Four letters of reference

Only applications completed in full will be reviewed.

Application Process

Request application & lineage chart from the BCS Counselor.

Return application to:

Ann Phillips
1911 Avenue G
Danbury, TX 77534
979-922-8416

Deadline

April 1st annually

Junior Service League Scholarship

Eligibility

- Must be a graduating senior
- Must be in the top 50% of the class
- Immediate family members of Junior Service League active and sustaining members are ineligible for the scholarship
- Must fully complete and attach the special Junior Service League application
- Must submit an essay, as described below, and attach it to the application with the applicant's telephone number, social security number, and signature.
- Must submit a transcript
- Must submit two letters of recommendation from teachers
- Must enroll and attend a college, university or vocational school during the fall semester immediately following graduation from high school
- No incomplete applications will be considered
- Must maintain at least a 2.5 GPA for the duration of the scholarship

Amount

- Scholarships totaling \$10,000 shall be awarded to graduating seniors who attend high school at Brazosport High School, Brazoswood High School and/or Brazosport Christian School.
- Each student will receive \$2,000, payable _ each semester for one school year.
- Money for the first semester will be paid to the recipient upon receiving proof of registration
- Money for the second semester will be paid to the recipient upon receiving a transcript from the 1st semester with proof of registration for the second semester
- Grades are sent to the Junior Service League of Brazosport by the recipient

Selection

The Junior Service League Scholarship Committee will select the scholarship recipients. An interview may be required. The following will be considered when choosing the recipients of these scholarships:

- Volunteer work
- Community service
- Financial need

Essay Requirements

Applicants must submit a one page, type-written essay expressing past, present, and future participation in volunteer work and community service, and its importance to the applicant and others. Attach the essay to the completed application form and include the applicant's telephone number, social security number and signature.

Application Process

Request application from and return application to:
BCS College Counselor

Deadline

March 15th annually

Texas Dow Employees Credit Union's Scholarship

Scholarship Purpose

This scholarship has been created to encourage students to pursue a vocational or professional education to serve the industrial or private sector.

Eligibility

- Credit Union member
- Recipients must have a grade average of at least a "C" in high school
- A regional accrediting association, a state agency of the national association of trade or technical schools, must accredit the vocational school
- Recipients must present completion of the first semester with at least a "C" average to receive the second semester payment for the Professional Scholarship
- Recipients must maintain a "C" average the first semester to receive the second semester payment
- Recipients must earnestly desire to further his/her education
- Financial need will be considered
- Eighteen scholarships for TDECU members each year beginning with 2005/2006 school years
- Committee will need student's class rank and GPA

Amount

\$1,000 for one-year enrollment. Payable in two semesters, \$500 each for the Professional Scholarship or \$1000 lump sum payment for the Vocational Scholarship.

Selection

Application Process

Request application from and return application to:

Ilse Moore

TDECU

1001 FM 2004

Lake Jackson, TX 77566

979-297-1154 or 979-299-0363

Email: imoore@tdecu.org

or application available online at www.tdecu.org. Click on "About TDECU", click on "Community Commitment", click on "Scholarship Information", "Applications", click on "Print and Complete for an application". Print out, complete and mail in to the above address.

Deadline

February 15th annually

United Daughters Of The Confederacy, Lamar Fontaine Chapter 33, Alvin, Texas

Eligibility

- Be an American Citizen and a descendant of a Confederate soldier
- Be a single student in the senior class of an accredited high school
- Plan to use this scholarship award at a Texas college within one year of receiving it

Amount

\$500 payable the first semester to the attending college. Should the student fail to enroll or leave the college or university, any unused portion of the scholarship shall be returned to the Lamar Fontaine Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy.

Selection

A committee of three shall review all applications. Only the winner of the scholarship will be notified.

Forms Required

- Application
- Essay of 50 words or less stating why you feel you should receive the Lamar Fontaine 33 United Daughters of the Confederacy scholarship.
- Completed and documented lineage chart
- Official High School transcript

Application Process

Request application & lineage chart from the BCS Counselor.

Return application to:

Judy Bernard

2265 River Valley Drive

West Columbia, TX 77486

979-345-2638

Deadline

April 1st annually