

Educational Talent Search Scholarship

Academic Year 2018-2019

The ETS scholarship will be awarded to students who have actively participated in the ETS program; benefited directly from the services provided; and through proven academic growth/success, are committed to their college plan.

Awards Available:

- \$500 scholarship for a two year college (or proprietary school) attendee
- \$500 scholarship for a four year college attendee

Scholarship Qualifications:

- Student must be attending college in the fall of 2019 to be eligible for a scholarship.
- Scholarship will be paid after 2019 fall college semester grades are submitted to ETS with at least a 2.5 GPA.
- Student must complete a FAFSA before semester for which award will be given. No FAFSA on file disqualifies student for ETS scholarship.

Application/Required Documents:

1. Application below must be completed in full.
2. Two letters of recommendations with completed ETS Recommendation Form cover sheet for each.

The completed application, short essay questions, and letters of recommendation must be mailed to:

Educational Talent Search
ATTN: Scholarship Committee
Minnesota State University, Mankato
356 Wiecking Center
Mankato, MN 56001

Or scanned and e-mailed to: nancy.spregeler@mnsu.edu

Deadline is April 5th, 2019. The completed application packet must be received by the ETS office by 3:00PM for scholarship consideration.

If chosen as one of the scholarship recipients, a release of records for postsecondary grades and financial aid transcripts must be signed. We also request that you agree to share excerpts from your short essay with current and future ETS participants regarding the benefits of the ETS program.

Educational Talent Search Scholarship Application 2018-2019

Name _____ High School _____

Social Security # _____ Graduation Date _____

Address _____

Email Address _____

Telephone _____ Cell _____

Are you attending a ____ 2 year or ____ 4 year college this fall?
College attending in fall of 2019 _____

Have you been accepted? ____ Yes ____ Not yet
Major/Field of Study _____

Have you completed the FAFSA (Financial Aid) forms yet? ____ Yes ____ No
If yes, what was your Estimated Family Contribution (EFC)? _____

If taken, what was your ACT score? _____ (best score if taken more than once)

Have you taken the Accuplacer? ____ Yes ____ No

Will you retake prior to fall start? ____ Yes ____ No

By submitting this application you are authorizing the Scholarship Committee to review your student record and application. All pieces of the scholarship application packet must be complete for file to receive full consideration.

I certify that the information submitted is correct. I understand that if I am awarded the ETS scholarship, I must complete one semester in college with a 2.5 GPA or higher and be enrolled for the second semester to receive the funds.

It is the applicant's responsibility to make sure all information is submitted – including recommendation letters. Omission of any of the required items (application, essay and two recommendation letters) will remove the application from consideration by the Scholarship Committee.

I certify that I am the student and not a family member or friend completing this application.

Applicant's Signature

Date

For Office Use only

Eligibility Type: _____

Educational Talent Search Scholarship Short Essay

You can write/type on this form or retype questions and answers on a separate sheet of paper.

1. The ETS scholarship will be awarded to a student who was actively involved in ETS; benefitted from the program; is committed to academic growth; and dedicated to their college goals. How do you feel that you best represent this scholarship?

2. What do you believe it takes to be successful in college? How do you demonstrate these characteristics?

Educational Talent Search Scholarship Short Essay Continued

3. Describe a specific example/event where ETS made an impact on your college/career plans.

4. What else would you like the committee to know about you and why you should be selected to receive the ETS scholarship for 2019?

Please check one and, if under 18, must have parent's signature:

I hereby consent to having excerpts from my essay shared with current, past and potential ETS participants for the purpose of marketing, newsletters and testimonials (website).

I prefer not to have my essay information shared unless I am the recipient of the scholarship, in which case, I am aware that my consent to share is required as an ETS scholarship recipient.

Participant Signature _____ Date _____

Parent Signature _____ Date _____

Educational Talent Search Recommendation Form Scholarship 2018-2019

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Student Name _____
High School _____
College Choice _____ Major _____

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Name of Reference _____ Title _____
Address _____
Place of Employment _____
Relationship to Applicant _____
Length of time you've known applicant _____

Please rate the applicant in each of the following areas: (circle one – 1 lowest, 5 highest)

- Demonstrated readiness for post-secondary education
1 2 3 4 5
- Commitment to education
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- Ability to set goals and follow through
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Describe this applicant's best traits, characteristics or positive qualities in four words:

Signature of Reference: _____

Please attach this form to your letter of recommendation.

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