

TENNESSEE ELKS ASSOCIATION TRADE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

The applicant must be a U.S. citizen, high school senior or graduate from an accredited high school (Home School Program). GED is acceptable.

The applicant should reside in the jurisdiction of the Elks Lodge to which the application is submitted. This is usually the closest Elks Lodge to applicant's residence.

The applicant and parents or guardian are required to complete all sections of the application form. Items not applicable must be marked "N.A.".

The following attachments MUST be included with each application :

1. A letter from the applicant stating their reason for choosing this career path. Include all courses taken or Industry experience for your chosen career path.
2. A letter from non—traditional applicant or applicant's parents regarding the need for financial support.
3. A transcript of the high school, GED or any trade or certificate courses. This must include the school grade point average through the last reporting period prior to submission of application as well as results of ACT and/or SAT tests.
4. A letter from a high school guidance counselor, principal, career path teacher evaluating applicant's ability to complete their chosen career path courses or current employer.
5. A letter from applicant's employer and/or community leader concerning applicant's character, honesty and dependability.
6. Awards and pictorials applicable to career path
7. Total Portfolio not to exceed 15 pages.

Applicants must use the official TEA Trade Scholarship application (copies are acceptable) that have been signed by the applicant, parent(s) or guardian(s) AND Lodge Official.

High School, GED or trade/certificate transcripts of student records may be copied. Copies of ACT and/or SAT and other test results are acceptable.

All applications must be neatly bound on the left side in a standard binder (NOT A 3-RING NOTEBOOK). Any applicant identification on the front cover is NOT necessary.

Any incomplete applications will not be considered for assistance. It is imperative that all information be set forth—especially as to your cost to attend your chosen course—so we may effectively evaluate your application.

All scholarships are awarded in the form of Certificates of Award issued by the Scholarship Chairman of the Tennessee Elks Trade Scholarship Committee conditioned on enrollment of student in an accredited school of their chosen career path. Upon receipt of VERIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT completed by the proper school officials, the TEA Trade Scholarship Committee will issue a TEA check in the amount of the scholarship. This check will be forwarded to the proper officials at the school where a credit for you will be established for your ensuing program. Payments may not be used to cover retroactive charges.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE JUDGED ON THE FOLLOWING:

Scholastic Achievements:

GPA, proficiency in subjects essential to trade curriculum, honors, work history, internships, etc.

Aptitude and Interest:

Volunteer service, employment, motivation, aptitude for chosen field

Need:

Financial need and resourcefulness

TENNESSEE ELKS ASSOCIATION

TRADE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

This application must be submitted to the Scholarship Chairman of the B.P.O. Elks Lodge nearest to the applicant's residence in order that it may be judged by the sponsoring Lodge Scholarship Committee and forwarded to the Tennessee Elks Association (TEA) Trade Scholarship Committee.

APPLICATION MUST BE SUBMITTED TO LOCAL LODGE NO LATER THAN (January 31, 2026)

Applications must be legibly written or typed

Applicant's Full Name _____

Address _____

Street

City

State

Zip

Telephone _____ Email _____ Martial Status _____

Date of Birth _____ Social Security # _____

Are you a U.S. Citizen _____ If a naturalized citizen give date and place of naturalization _____

Name & Location of High School _____

Date of Graduation _____ Type of Diploma _____

Grade Point Average (4 years) _____ ACT/SAT Score _____

Offices Held in Class or School Organizations _____

Extra Circular Activities (Awards, Offices, Etc) _____

Volunteer Services (Church, Community, Etc.) List dates of service and average weekly hours separately for each activity:

Service Dates	Location	Hours	Total Hours
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ENDORSEMENT OF SPONSORING LODGE

This application and attachments have been reviewed, the contents verified and found to conform with the rules and regulations established by the Tennessee Elks Trade Scholarship Committee.

Lodge Scholarship Chairman	Date	Exalted Ruler or Secretary	Date
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Lodge No. _____	_____
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Applicant's Signature _____	Date _____
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EMPLOYMENT (List dates of employment and average hours worked weekly while attending school)

DATES OF EMPLOYMENT	EMPLOYER'S NAME	JOB TYPE	AVERAGE HOURS

Attach additional sheet if needed.

List all courses taken in support of your career path. Did you take all such courses offered by your school? _____

Have you applied for or expect scholarship assistance from any other source? _____ If yes, please provide all details _____

Name and location of approved* school you plan to attend _____

*Accredited trade or certificate school/program in the State of Tennessee or any other school approved by the TEA Trade Scholarship Committee.

TO BE COMPLETED BY ALL APPLICANTS

Budget for full course completion	How many months _____
Tuition and Fees (Full course cost NOT monthly)	\$ _____
Books and Supplies	\$ _____
Room and Board (If applicable)	\$ _____
Travel	\$ _____
TOTAL COSTS	\$ _____
LESS ANTICIPATED INCOME:	
Parents Contribution	\$ _____
Student's Contribution	\$ _____
Summer Earnings	\$ _____
School Work/Study Employment	\$ _____
Other Scholarships, Grants or Loans (details)	\$ _____
TOTAL ANTICIPATED INCOME	\$ _____
Amount Needed to Balance School Budget for Course	\$ _____

I certify that information in this application is true.

Father's or Non-Traditional Student Signature _____ Date _____
 Mother's or Spouse Signature _____ Date _____