TEXAS ENGINEERING FOUNDATION
2015-2016 Scholarship Application for Graduating Texas High School Seniors

Application deadline is January 8, 2016

The chapters of the Texas Society of Professional Engineers (TSPE) in affiliation with Texas Engineering Foundation (TEF) will award scholarships to students studying to become engineers in an engineering program at an ABET-accredited (Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology) college or university. Upon verification of enrollment, these scholarships will be presented to the university in the student’s name. As individual chapter scholarship requirements may vary, it is essential to contact your Chapter Scholarship Coordinator for complete application requirements (see attached lists for school district chapter assignments and Chapter Coordinators). Unless otherwise instructed by your scholarship coordinator, applications must be submitted to the coordinator by the date specified below.

The application consists of seven (7) sections. Please complete each section according to the instructions of your Chapter Scholarship Coordinator.

To be eligible for a TSPE Chapter Scholarship a student must (a TSPE chapter may require additional criteria):

• Be a United States citizen
• Be a high school senior with a 3.0 or higher GPA entering college in the fall of 2016
• Have scored at least a 600 in math, a 550 in critical reading and a 500 in writing on the SAT, or a 29 in math and a 25 in English on the ACT
• Enroll in an ABET (Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology) accredited engineering program. (Visit www.abet.org and click on “Find ABET-Accredited Programs” to obtain a listing)
• Provide a completed Scholarship Application with all required attachments postmarked or delivered by January 8, 2016

Additional Considerations:

• Students may be required to participate in an in-person interview
• Ask your Chapter Scholarship Coordinator if there are any additional eligibility requirements

Instructions for submitting an application:

• Complete the Scholarship Application form (attached)
• Provide documentation of all eligibility requirements as listed above
• Secure and attach all required documentation for the application per your Chapter Scholarship Coordinator
• Mail or otherwise deliver the entire application (including all components) no later than January 8, 2016 to your Chapter Scholarship Coordinator. (Incomplete application packets will not be considered)

Assemble the application in the following order:

• Completed application form
• Essay (if required)
• Two recommendations from non-relatives (high school teachers preferred)
• Official transcript(s); no photocopies will be accepted; a school counselor must verify current courses
• SAT or ACT scores
• Additional information as required by your Chapter Scholarship Coordinator

TSPE scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic record, achievement, leadership, and career goals.
SECTION 1 – PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: ____________________________________________________________ Male ☐ Female ☐

Date of Birth: _____________________________________________

Month Day Year

Permanent Postal Address: ____________________________________________

Street Apt. ____________________________

City State Zip Code (____) Home Phone

E-Mail Address: ____________________________________________________

Ethnicity: _____ Hispanic or Latino _____ American Indian or Alaskan Native _____ Asian _____ Black or African American _____ Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander _____ White

Are you a legal citizen of the United States of America? _____

SECTION 2 – ACADEMIC INFORMATION

High School: ___________________________ Phone: (____) __________

School Address: __________________________________________________

Person responsible for scholarship information at your school: ___________________________

Their phone number: (____) ___________ E-Mail Address: _____________________________

Class Rank: __________________________ Cumulative Grade Point Average: _________ on a _______ scale

SAT Score: _________ (Attach copy of score)

ACT Score: _________ (Attach copy of score)

Colleges or Universities Applied to (in order of preference): Date Applied

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Institution Name City and State Month/Year

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Planned Engineering Major: ____________________________________________
SECTION 3 – HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES (Please attach an additional sheet):

List no more than six of your activities (in or outside of school) of which you are most proud. Why are you proud of these accomplishments? (If necessary, please attach additional sheet)

Accomplishments/Honors/Awards
List no more than six of your most significant accomplishments outside of school. Explain why you believe these accomplishments are significant. (If necessary, please attach an additional sheet)
SECTION 4 – WORK EXPERIENCE (Please attach an additional sheet):

List your work experience and include the following information: 1) Dates (start & end); 2) Employer/Supervisor/Phone; 3) Job Duties; 4) Hours Worked; 5) Paid or Volunteer; and 6) During the School Year and/or Summer Breaks.

SECTION 5 – ESSAY (Optional Chapter Requirement - Contact your Chapter Coordinator)

The essay should be typewritten or computer generated in a 10-point font, double spaced, and not more than 750 words. Put your name, birth date, and planned major field of engineering at the top of the essay. Develop and title your essay based on one of the following three questions:

1. What people and/or events in your life led you to choose to study engineering?
2. Describe accomplishments that illustrate your aptitude for and interest in engineering.
3. What aspects of engineering influenced your decision to select it as a profession?

Note: Essays often serve as tiebreakers between closely ranked applicants. A well thought out essay enhances your chances of winning a scholarship.

SECTION 6 – INTERVIEW (Optional Chapter Requirement – Contact your Chapter Coordinator)

An interview of fifteen to twenty minutes in length permits a dynamic interchange between evaluators and applicants, which allows further insight into the student’s aptitude and interest in pursuing a career in engineering. Interviews are held at the discretion of each chapter.

SECTION 7 – CERTIFICATION (Applications without required signatures will be disqualified.)

Scholarship Applicant:

To the best of my knowledge, the information presented on this application is complete and true. I understand my application will not be reviewed if it is incomplete. By signing below, I authorize my school officials to release information about my academic records to representatives of TSPE/TEF.

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Parental Certification:

I certify that all information presented on this application is complete and true.

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Printed Name

Parent Phone Number