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South Texas County Judges and Commissioners,

As the economy has become a daily topic in most of our lives, we know that costs especially in education change daily also. With that thought in mind, the South Texas County Judges’ and Commissioners’ Association is now accepting applications for the awarding of scholarships for children or grandchildren of current County Judges and Commissioners.

College scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded to three applicants during the Annual Conference in Corpus Christi on June 12th.

To be eligible for scholarship consideration applicants must be a child, grandchild, or under the legal guardianship of a current Judge or Commissioner. Each of the applicants must be a current resident of a county within the 67 member county region. Each applicant must be a graduating senior for the class of 2013 from a high school within the 67 member county region.

Applications will be judged on the following criteria:

- \* Personal resume
- \* Letters of reference (3)
- \* Official transcript
- \* Completed application form

The scholarship’s funds are not derived from tax dollars collected from member dues. Instead, funding comes from previous conference proceeds, not at taxpayer expense.

All entries are to be submitted to the President Neil E. Fritsch for Scholarship Committee consideration. **All entries are to be received or postmarked by 5pm, May 15, 2013.** Entries are to be sent to:

Honorable Neil E. Fritsch  
President, South Texas County Judges’ and Commissioners’ Association  
24627 State Hwy 172  
Port Lavaca, Texas 77979  
[neil.fritsch@calhouncotx.org](mailto:neil.fritsch@calhouncotx.org)

# South Texas Judges' & Commissioners' Association Scholarship Application Form

**General Information:**

Name:	Home Address:
Home Phone:	Email Address:
Relationship ( <b>child, grandchild, etc.</b> ) to Current Judge Or Commissioner Member:	
Commissioner's Court Member Name ( <b>Please indicate if they are Judge or Commissioner</b> ), Address and County:	
Commissioners Court Member Phone Number:	
Current High School: (School Name)	School Address:
School Contact Person (Principal, Counselor, Teacher, Etc.):	High School Phone Number:
Projected Grade Point Average At Graduation:	
Projected Ranking In Graduation Class:	
What is the Current Enrollment Number of Students In your High School:	
Are you, or will you be a candidate for any scholarship (such as scholastic, athletic, work, etc.)? (You May Attach A Separate Sheet Of Paper If Necessary):	
Extra Curricular Activities (You May Attach A Separate Sheet Of Paper If Necessary):	
Awards & Achievements (You May Attach A Separate Sheet Of Paper If Necessary):	

**Essay Questions** – Attach separate sheets of paper

Essay 1. Tell us in 200 words or less why you are seeking a Scholarship and identify any special financial need.

Essay 2. Where do you see yourself in ten years?

**Please provide with this completed Application:**

1. Your personal resume
2. Three (3) personal letters of reference
3. Official transcript
4. SAT or ACT score

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SIGNATURE

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DATE

**Please return or postmark your application by 5pm on May 15, 2013 to:**

Hon. Neil E. Fritsch  
President, South Texas County Judges' and Commissioners' Association  
24627 State Hwy 172  
Port Lavaca, Texas 77979

## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

The scholarship application is to be used for scholarships awarded by South Texas County Judges' and Commissioners' Association (STCJCA). All scholarship applications must be submitted to the President of the STCJCA on the approved form either by hand delivery, electronic format \* (PDF) or postmarked by 5pm, May 15, 2013. The Scholarship Committee will evaluate the overall comprehensiveness of the application.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

The STCJCA is pleased to offer scholarship opportunities to a child or grandchild of an active member of the Association.

## **SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES**

All applications must adhere to the following guidelines:

1. Submit a completed scholarship application. Incomplete applications may not be considered.
2. The President of the STCJCA will appoint a Scholarship Committee to review the applications and make the selection.
3. Any application received by the President postmarked after the date of May 15<sup>th</sup>, shall not be considered by the Committee (electronic PDF application accepted by 5pm on deadline date).
4. Scholarships will be awarded at the Annual Conference of the STCJCA.
5. The student's grade average should be considered, but the grades should not be the only factor considered. The needs of the student, whether the student is receiving any other scholarships, the student's sincere desire to attend college, and any other similar information should be considered.
6. Each recipient will be officially notified in writing by the President of the Association, Neil E. Fritsch.
7. Upon proof of enrollment to an institution of higher education a check will be issued to the respective institution in the scholarship recipient's name.
8. Scholarships must be utilized during the fall semester following award.

*\*If you choose to submit electronically, Calhoun County has an extremely tight spam filter system. Be sure to check with the office of the President to ensure the application was received by calling (361) 893-5346.*