



Ukrainian American Society of Texas Academic Scholarship Award Guidelines

Purpose: To provide a monetary award to a young person of Ukrainian heritage who is ready to commit themselves to higher education.

Criteria: The scholarship will be awarded without regard to creed, color, sex, religion; but is based upon Ukrainian heritage or lineage, academic achievement; personal qualifications, accomplishments and interests; and participation in the promotion of Ukrainian culture. . Refer to section Requirements/Eligibility for more details.

Award amount: The Ukrainian American Society will contribute to the scholarship a minimum annual amount of \$300. Additional funds may be added from individual donations and/or from a selected fundraiser in the year the award is to be given.

If at the end of a given year, no qualified recipients are determined the following rules will apply: 1) The \$300 annual amount will be absorbed back into the general ledger. 2) Any individual donations or fundraiser dollars received towards this scholarship will not be absorbed into the general ledger ,instead it will be kept in a account to be used only for scholarship purposes. These monies will be earmarked and added to the \$300 amount the year a recipient is determined eligible for the award.

Recipient Requirements and Selection Guidelines

To be considered for this award the following eligibility requirements must be met:

Requirements/Eligibility:

1. Applicant must be in their last year of high school, scheduled to graduate and anticipate attending college full time during the subsequent year. Those who are full-time undergraduate college students enrolled in 12 or more semester hours with no more than six months having lapsed since the completion of a full semester are also eligible to apply.
2. Applicant will be less than 21 years of age.
3. Parent or legal guardian will have been a member in good standing with the Ukrainian American Society of Texas (UAST) for a minimum of 2 years.
4. Applicant or parent will be of Ukrainian lineage or heritage.
5. Applicant will submit an application form and write a short essay discussing the following three points:
 - 1) Why is going to college is important to me.

- 2) What have I done to promote Ukrainian culture in my community.
- 3) How will I continue to promote Ukrainian culture in the future.
6. Previous recipients of this award are ineligible.

Academic Guidelines:

1. Academic achievements, Grade Point Average and S.A.T /A.C.T scores will be recorded on the application for evaluation. More emphasis will be placed on academic achievements if more than one application is received.

Application Procedures:

Applicant will:

1. Request and complete an application form.
2. Attach the written essay as explained above.
3. Obtain the required signatures on the bottom of the application form.
4. Mail the completed application and essay by May 15th to the current President of UAST. No extensions or exemptions to this policy will be made.

Selection Criteria/ Responsibility of UAST:

1. UAST will consider one award yearly.
2. The current UAST board and any ad hoc scholarship committee members appointed by the board will review each application received.
3. Selection of a recipient, if more than one application is received, will be based on following criteria in this order of significance:
 - Content of written essay
 - Participation in the promotion of Ukrainian culture
 - Academic achievements such as Grade Point Average and S.A.T/A.C.T. scores.
4. Final selection will be at the board's discretion.
5. Payment of the award will be given directly to the recipient or legal guardian upon receipt of documentation that recipient has been accepted and enrolled into college.

Scholarship Award Date:

1. Scholarship winner will be announced each year at either the annual UAST Malanka event, held in January or the Ukrainian Independence Day celebration in August. The recipients name will also be announced in the quarterly newsletter.

Enclosure

Application Form