



# SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PACKET

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT COMPLETED PACKET IS  
5:00 PM ON MONDAY, MAY 11, 2026

**INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS OR APPLICATIONS BROUGHT  
IN AFTER THE DEADLINE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**



April 6, 2026

Dear Applicant,

On behalf of the 2025-2026 Scholarship Team and your Trinity Baptist Church family, please let me tell you how proud we are of all of your hard work!

Whether you are just heading into college for the first time, or already enrolled and continue to progress through your courses, the pursuit of a college degree is an extremely admirable endeavor. We will be prayerfully thinking of you as you pursue your goals and dreams.

It is our privilege to award scholarships to members of our church who are working towards these goals and look forward to helping you and your family in this way. Contained in this packet you will find:

- a. a description of the scholarships that are available and the criteria for qualifying for each scholarship,
- b. a description of how monies for each scholarship are awarded,
- c. instructions for completing your application,
- d. the application itself.

Please prepare your application carefully and promptly, being mindful of the due date of Monday, May 11, 2026, as **no late entries will be considered.**

Again, we congratulate you on your past achievements and wish you continued success.

Sincerely,

**The Scholarship Team**

Sandee Johns, Chair  
Marcia Barr  
Sherry Curnutt  
Anita Foster  
Mary Kunz  
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Sid Lawrence  
Kay Montgomery  
Michael Shanklin  
Ann Smith  
Allison Sommers  
Sandra Stone

Charles L. Wedge, Church Administrator (Interim)/Staff Liaison



## **AVAILABLE 2026-2027 SCHOLARSHIPS**

There are four eligible scholarships available this school year: the McLendon Fund, the Rouse Fund, the Reyes fund and Hailey fund. Scholarships will be provided to college students of all ages who are working toward an undergraduate degree or a career in Christian ministry.

Below you will find a description of each fund and the criteria for qualifying for each scholarship. (Scholarship Funds and Dollar amounts may vary from year to year.)

### **I. GLORIA REYES SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

- a. Dated 3-2-93, from estate of Gloria Reyes
- b. Purpose: Scholarships to deserving ministerial students at one or more seminaries which students/seminaries shall be selected by and distributed by TBC.

### **II. DAN & MILDRED MCLENDON SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

- a. Dated 1992
- b. Purpose: Scholarships for college students who are members of TBC
- c. Trust income plus 75% of gifts received to the scholarship fund during the year. The remaining 25% will be added to trust corpus.

### **III. ROUSE MEMORIAL ENDOWMENT FUND**

- a. Dated 12-22-67, upon death of the Rouses
- b. Purpose: To assist needing and deserving students attending any educational institution which is under the control or supervision of the BGCT, SBC or CBF and which students have declared their intention to become ministers of the gospel, music or church related vocations or are to engage in full-time, church related and approved vocations within the Baptist denomination.

### **IV. ELEANOR HAILEY SCHOLARSHIP FUND**

- a. Dated March 2005, on death of Eleanor Hailey
- b. Purpose: To provide scholarships to music students.



## DESCRIPTION OF HOW AVAILABLE 2026-2027 SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BE AWARDED

The Scholarship Team will review your application packet and those of all other applicants who turn in their applications by the May 11, 2026 deadline.

Each application is evaluated on three different criteria:

1. Church Involvement (Present and/or Past)
  - a. Your church family values all members. We owe a special thanks to those members and their families that have been especially active and service oriented in the life of Trinity Baptist Church. Now is your chance to brag a little and tell about the work you have been doing over the years!
  - b. Perhaps you have been involved in exciting work in the city where you are attending college. Let us hear how you are serving God in your present community.
2. Academic History
  - a. Academic success requires a great deal of work, and we want you to show off the results of all that work to us! Again, now isn't the time to be shy. We want to hear what your teachers have to say about your hard work and let's see those grades.
  - b. Struggle in school? That's okay; we understand! We all have different strengths, weaknesses and obstacles to overcome. Just be as candid as possible and help us to understand your own unique circumstances.
3. Financial Need
  - a. God has blessed us each differently with our own talents and unique blessings. Your church recognizes that not all applicants and their families are equally positioned to handle the substantial cost involved with getting your college degree. Your church wants to offer additional help where additional help is needed.
  - b. Not comfortable with disclosing yours or your family income? We understand and you are not alone. It is not our desire to know your family's every financial detail, but rather to give a little extra help to those who need it the most. If you choose not to disclose your family's total dollar value income, it will not be held against you, as long as you can give us an explanation of financial need. Be creative and put those essay skills to great use!



On this page you will see the scale by which you will be evaluated.

1. All members of the Scholarship Team will be given a copy of the application packet to review.
  - a. Each Team member will independently evaluate each applicant based on church involvement, academic history, and financial need.
  - b. Those three scores will be added together, giving each applicant a total score by that Scholarship Team Member.
2. The Scholarship Team will reconvene after all Team Members have completed the evaluations for all applicants.
  - a. The scores of each applicant will be totaled, and that number will represent that applicant's "Total Score"
  - b. At this point, the team will determine which of the four available scholarships best fits each applicant.
  - c. The total funds available for each scholarship shall be divided according to each applicant's total score.
  - d. All available monies for each available scholarship will be awarded and none will be held back, except in the event that there are no eligible applicants for a particular scholarship. In that case, the available funds will be rolled over for use during the following year.
  - e. Personal information contained in the application shall remain confidential. The applications shall be destroyed after the scholarship decisions have been made.



### Example Score Card:

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GUIDELINES FOR SELECTING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANTS

APPLICANT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate from 0 to 5, with 5 being the highest

	0	1	2	3	4	5
Church Involvement and Service						
Financial Need						
Academically capable of success						

Remarks:

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**INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

1. **Print using dark ink. Make it legible!**
2. **Fill in all blanks, use "N/A" or "zero" if necessary.**
3. **Attach a recent photo of yourself.**
4. **Send only the information and attachments requested on the application.**
5. **Ensure all information is submitted and received in the church office by the application deadline**
6. **Application Deadline is 5:00 pm on Monday, May 11, 2026 Applications will not be accepted after this date.**
7. **Review instructions 1-6. Incomplete applications will not be considered.**



# Scholarship Application (FALL 2026 & SPRING 2027)

## Scholarship Applicant Information

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First Middle*

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Street Address Apartment/Unit #*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*City State ZIP Code*

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_

Please check if you are pursuing an education in  Music  Ministerial or  Other

Will you be living at home? YES  NO

Check which semesters you will be attending:  Summer 2026  Fall 2026 or  Spring 2027

How many hours are you planning on taking? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of Trinity Baptist Church? YES  NO  If yes, how long? \_\_\_\_\_

If no, are you currently attending church? YES  NO  If yes, where? \_\_\_\_\_

\*If you are a college student who joined a church in the city where you are attending college, you need to apply for associate membership here at Trinity in order to meet the membership requirements as a candidate for a scholarship. To do this, please contact the Senior Pastor, by e-mail or note, requesting associate membership BEFORE you submit your application. Please state the date you received approval: \_\_\_\_\_

Are your parents/guardians' members? YES  NO  If yes, what are their names: \_\_\_\_\_

In what church activities have you generally participated? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Complete this Section if you have NOT started college**

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

List SAT Score \_\_\_\_\_ List ACT Score \_\_\_\_\_

List honors and activities participated in and offices held: \_\_\_\_\_

**Complete this Section if you HAVE started college**

College Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_

College Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Hours Completed? \_\_\_\_\_

List honors and activities participated in and offices held: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be attending same college?  YES  NO If no, where do you plan on attending? \_\_\_\_\_

What will be your Major? \_\_\_\_\_

**List Jobs, Part-Time and Full-Time that You have Held**

Employer's Name	Position	Dates of Employment	Hours Worked Per Week

List employment plans for the summer and next school year: \_\_\_\_\_

## Required Documents Check List

The documents listed below must be attached to the Scholarship Application. Check the boxes to confirm that they are attached.

- References:** Two letters are required for all applicants. These may be submitted from high school or college faculty members and/or supervisors in work experiences. Personal reference letters will also be accepted **IF they are from non-family members**. All letters of recommendation must be current, which is, written in the timeframe of this application process.
  
- Transcript:** A current, or most recent, transcript. The transcript must have a date on it.
  
- Your personal letter:**  
Your personal letter should include the following:
  - a. Why you plan to attend, or continue to attend, college
  - b. Family income as it relates to financial need  
If you are not comfortable disclosing specific details of family finances, you will not be penalized in any way; however, be sure to include an **explanation of financial need**.
  - c. Any additional personal information that you think might be helpful to the Scholarship Team
  - d. Signature and date
  
- Recent Photo**

If you are awarded a scholarship, may we list your name as a recipient in the Trumpet?

YES

NO

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Deadline to Submit Scholarship Application with Attached Documents is 5:00 pm on Monday, May 11, 2026**

Scholarship Application Packets should be delivered to:

Cheryl Reyes  
Business Office  
Trinity Baptist Church  
319 E. Mulberry Ave  
San Antonio, TX 78212

**\*\*Incomplete Application Packets or Application Packets brought in after the deadline will not be accepted.**