



2018 Scholarship Information

"In Recognition of High Achievement in Leadership, Academics, and Pageantry"

Dear Unit Director,

Enclosed, please find an application for the 2018 TCGC Scholarship. The application must be completed in full and submitted via **CERTIFIED MAIL** to the following address with a postmark no later than:

Tuesday, February 20, 2018

to

Kim Booher
TCGC Scholarship Committee
3708 East 29th Street, PMB 108
Bryan, TX 77802-3901

Please be sure to mail the completed application to the above address exactly as it is written.

The Board of Directors has established the following guidelines regarding the TCGC Scholarship:

1. The recipient must be a senior in high school, or already attending a college/university (no trade or vocational schools will be accepted).
2. Each unit may only submit ***ONE*** nomination.
3. The recipient must be an active marching member of a TCGC member unit that will be attending the Circuit Championships and must plan on attending their respective awards ceremony.
4. Scholarships granted will be according to the amounts provided for in the TCGC Constitution and Bylaws.
5. Scholarship recipients will be selected by a committee created and chaired by the TCGC Color Guard Vice President. This 5 person committee will consist of TCGC board members and unit directors of both color guard and percussion units.
6. The scholarships awarded will be presented at the Texas Color Guard Circuit Championships at the recipients' respective award ceremonies.

If you have any questions regarding the application or selection process, please contact Kim Booher - TCGC Color Guard Vice President by emailing colorguard@texascolorguardcircuit.org.



Application Requirements

Scholarship nominees must enclose the following information for their application to be considered complete:

- High School Transcripts (including an explanation of the scoring system i.e. 4 point scale)
- College Transcripts (if applicable)
- Three letters of recommendation from individuals other than unit director (see attached form)
- Completed 3-5 page personal statement (see application)
- Three completed 1-3 page original essays (see application)
- Completed certification page signed by applicant and unit director. (see last page of application)

****If an application is found to be missing any of the items listed above, the application will be considered incomplete and the nominee will forfeit their nomination for the TCGC Scholarship****

Scholarship Criteria

Scholarship recipients will be selected based on merit. The following criteria will be used by the TCGC Scholarship Committee to determine which nominees will be awarded a scholarship:

- Service and Participation in the pageantry activity
- Essay Responses
- Future Educational Goals
- Previous Academic Excellence
- Letters of Recommendation

This application will remain confidential. Any materials submitted become the property of the TCGC Scholarship Committee and will be returned only upon written request.

DO NOT STAPLE OR PAPER CLIP ANY PAGES OF THIS APPLICATION



Personal Data:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Alternate Phone #: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Father's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Alternate Phone #: _____

Mother's Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Alternate Phone #: _____

Siblings (if any): _____ Active in pageantry?: _____
_____ Active in pageantry?: _____
_____ Active in pageantry?: _____
_____ Active in pageantry?: _____
_____ Active in pageantry?: _____

Unit Information:

Unit Name: _____

Seasons Marched: _____

Band Director: _____

Band Hall Phone: _____

Guard Director: _____

Phone #: _____ Alternate Phone #: _____

Positions/Titles: _____

Have you performed with any other units? _____

If so, please list the unit(s): _____

Education:

High School: _____

Address: _____

Phone # (Main): _____ Principal's Name: _____

Classification (3A, 4A, etc): _____

Complete if in College. If not yet college, please complete for next year:

College/ University: _____

Address: _____

Phone # (Main): _____ Major: _____

Awards: (Any awards you would like to share; does not have to be color guard related)

Award Name: _____

Semesters Received: _____

Brief Description: _____

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Semesters Received: _____

Brief Description: _____

Employment History:

Are you currently employed? _____

If yes, please complete:

Employer: _____

Position/Title: _____

Address: _____

Supervisor: _____ Phone: _____

Employment Dates: _____ Average hrs/wk: _____

Extracurricular Activities:

(Any activities outside of color guard you would like to share)

Organization Name: _____

Semesters Involved: _____

Positions/Titles: _____

Brief Description: _____

Organization Name: _____

Semesters Involved: _____

Positions/Titles: _____

Brief Description: _____

Volunteer Work/ Community Service:

Organization Name: _____

Semesters Involved: _____

Positions/Titles: _____

Brief Description: _____

Organization Name: _____

Semesters Involved: _____

Positions/Titles: _____

Brief Description: _____

Letters of Recommendation:

Please make 3 copies of the attached questionnaire and distribute to the individuals you have selected to provide your recommendations. Be sure to print your name at the top of each questionnaire. Instructions to complete the recommendation have been provided on the questionnaire for their convenience.

Personal Statement:

Please answer the questions listed below in a separate 3-5 page typed personal statement. You may answer the questions in any order you see fit, however, the statement must be cohesive. All questions must be answered in order for your statement to be considered complete. Please refer to the page setup specifications for formatting instructions.

- Why did you decide to participate in the color guard/percussion activity?
- What have you learned through your participation in the color guard/percussion activity?
- How will you apply what you have learned to your future career goals?
- How will the experience of performing affect your future?
- Why do you believe you deserve this scholarship?

Original Essays:

In addition to your personal statement, you must complete 3 original essays, 2 required and a third of your choosing from the options provided. Each essay must be at least 1 page in length, but no longer than 3. Please refer to the page setup specifications for formatting instructions.

****Required Essays****

- How would you recruit and convince someone to join the color guard/percussion activity?
- Describe a situation where you struggled in color guard/percussion and explain what you learned from that experience.

****Optional - choose 1 additional essay****

1. If you were the Director of a competitive unit, what values would you emphasize in your program and what process would you use to develop those values in your members?
2. Identify 3 things that you believe need to be improved in the contest experience and explain why they need to be changed.
3. If you could perform to any piece of music, what would it be (artist & title) and why? Explain how your soundtrack provides opportunities to design for each of the captions judged in color guard/percussion.

Page Setup Specifications

- All margins must be set at 1 inch.
- You may only use Times New Roman font, size 12 to type your essay.
- Essays must be double-spaced; Paragraphs must be indented.
- Headers must have your last name, first initial and "Personal Statement/Essay Number" in the upper right hand corner.
- Page numbers should be located on the bottom of each page.



2018 Scholarship Recommendation Form

Applicant Name: _____ Return by: _____

Directions:

Please answer the following questions about the applicant to the best of your ability. Please be as specific as possible. If you would like to attach a separate letter elaborating on the information provided below or to provide any additional information about the applicant, please feel free to do so.

Relationship to Applicant: _____

Length of Relationship: _____

Please describe a situation where the applicant has exhibited strong leadership qualities.

In what ways is the applicant a good role model for others?

Please describe how the applicant works with others.

What kind of work ethic does the applicant have?

What do you consider to be the applicant's greatest strength(s)?

In what areas do you feel the applicant needs to improve?

Reference Signature

Date

Reference Printed Name

Title



Certification Statement:

I certify that the above and enclosed information is complete and true to my knowledge.

Applicant Signature

Date

Applicant Printed Name

I have reviewed the above information and recommend this member for the 2018 TCGC Scholarship.

Director Signature

Date

Director Printed Name

Unit Name