

PURPOSE

The East Knoxville Business and Professional Association (EKBPA) Austin-East Scholarship Program has been developed to aid eligible applicants who desire to continue their academic education beyond high school.

SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTION

The EKBPA Scholarship Program

- Will award scholarship(s) to a graduating Austin-East High School senior(s) to attend an accredited two- or four-year **Institution of Higher Education** in the United States or a post-secondary program of the students choosing.
- There is no restriction on the number of scholarship applicants per family.
- The scholarship award will be paid directly to the Institution of Higher Education and will be
 applied toward the recipient's tuition, books, required academic fees, room and/or board or to
 the post-secondary training institution.
- The scholarship will be awarded upon evidence of recipient's enrollment and other criteria established by the organization.

SELECTION

The EKBPA Austin-East Scholarship Program committee will select the scholarship recipient(s). The Committee will make selections based on several factors, with special emphasis on each applicant's character, personal merit, background, and past academic performance.

Recommendations for selection will be based on a combination of factors, where applicable, including GPA, ACT/SAT scores, the essay, letters of recommendation, school activities, leadership, community service and church involvement.

ELIGIBILITY

To be considered for the EKBPA Scholarship, an applicant:

- Must be a graduating high school senior within one year of application.
- Must have a cumulative grade-point average of at least 2.5 out of 4.0.
- Must be accepted as a full-time student at an accredited two-or four-year Institution of Higher Education in the United States at the time of the scholarship award.

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- Must complete an EKBPA Austin-East Scholarship Program application.
- Must submit three (3) letters of recommendation with scholarship application.
- Submit one (1) letter from at least one (1) each of the following categories:
 - Community leader/mentor/pastor;
 - Youth leader, community service provider;
 - Academic connection; (teacher, principal, counselor);
 - If working, from a supervisor.
- Must have demonstrated leadership skills in the community, and list community activity.
- Must write an essay on a topic provided with the application.

EKBPA Scholarship Committee Member's immediate family are not eligible to receive an award.



Applica	nt's Name					
Address			City/State	ZIP		
Home			Mobi	le		
Parent/C	Guardian/Caregiver'	s Name				
Parent/C	Guardian/Caregiver'	s Address	City/State	ZIP		
	Work		Mobi	le		
# of Household Dependents			# in College			
Name of	f High School Atter	nding				
*Fall Semester Senior GPA			High School Cumulative GPA			
	* sub	mit your high school ti	anscripts reflecting Fall 2022 S	emester grades		
ACT Score	English	Math	Reading	Overall		
SAT Score	Verbal	Math	Total			



Location	Date	# Hours Worked	Type of Service			
List Community Service or Volunteer Activities in which you are/have been involved (does not include work completed for family)						
List Activities where you have or had a Leadership Position (name activity/class and leadership role)						
		are involved (outside of acader bs, hobbies, volunteering, etc.)	nics, not graded) (i.e. sports, the			
List Academic Honors and A	wards					



List Other Scholarships you are or will be receiving, along with purpose of award. (i.e. academic excellence, community service, etc.)

Scholarship Name	Purpose of Award		

MUST INCLUDE

Applicants **must** include an original, type written Essay, no more than one (1) page (12 pt, double spaced, one-inch margins) entitled: "How education will help me achieve my dreams".

• Essay Prompt

Who has been your most significant influence (inspiration) and why? What impact have they had on your future plans?

- Include a Cover Page with your name and Title of the Essay.
- Include in your essay an explanation of what your future plans are.
- How your plans for the future will make a difference.
- Scholarship Application Deadline

Friday, April 18, 2025

Application must be received or postmarked on the deadline date.

- Scholarships Award Presentation
 Seniors Award Day
- Applications may be emailed to eastknoxvillebpa@gmail.com; or
- Applications may be mailed to: EKBPA Austin-East Scholarship Committee Post Office Box 6066 Knoxville, Tennessee 37914
- For more information, visit our website at www.ekbpa.com.