

Texas DPS Troopers Foundation Scholarship Application “Hints for Success”

Every year, the Texas DPS Officers Association, and now the Texas DPS Troopers Foundation awards scholarships for college on a merit basis. To be approved for a scholarship, all of the stipulated guidelines must be followed. Unfortunately, every year, many scholarship applications are rejected due to oversight or other technical issues.

Below are some of the most common causes for **NOT** receiving a DPSOA/TDPSTF Scholarship:

Initial Scholarships:

1. Failure to Sign the Application (next year we may allow electronic signatures and online filing)
2. Hand written (not accepted)
3. Failure to include a narrative (“Why I’m going to college and would like a scholarship...”)
4. Failure to include a final HS transcript or diploma
5. Failure to have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher (out of 4)
6. Initial application not submitted within 4 years of graduation from HS.
7. Not postmarked by the deadline (June 15)

Continuing Scholarships

1. Failure to Sign the Application
2. Failure to submit a transcript or not enough documented hours in the last 12 months (24 hrs. minimum). Transcripts that are printed prior to the end of the Spring semester do not show “completed” hours for that semester.
3. Failure to maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher
4. Failure to include a narrative (“Why I’m going to college and would like a scholarship...”)
5. Maximum number of scholarships already awarded by DPSOA/TDPSTF (4).
6. Not submitted within 4 years of initial scholarship.
7. Not postmarked by the deadline

Texas DPS Troopers Foundation is proud of your initiative in attending college and happy that you applied for a scholarship. Please do not let this year’s setback discourage you from applying again next year if you still qualify.

Good luck in the coming school year!

Texas DPS Troopers Foundation Scholarship Committee

