

ATA SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

The deadline to submit this application is **Monday, May 3rd, 2021**. All applications should be turned in to the ATA treasurer, Mrs. VanHoose.

Explanation/Guidelines:

1. The ATA Scholarship is a one time scholarship for students pursuing a career in education. It is paid after the first semester of college has been completed.
2. Announcement of the scholarship recipient will be made at the academic awards program held in the spring of each school year.
3. A scholarship award in the amount of \$500 will be provided to the recipient via check.
4. Any student applying for this scholarship must submit an application to the ATA treasurer by **May 3rd** of his or her senior year of high school to be considered for the ATA Education Scholarship.
5. The scholarship will be awarded after copies of the first college semester's grades and a second semester course schedule have been submitted to the Arlington Teacher's Association treasurer and approved by the scholarship committee.

In order to be eligible for this financial award, the following criteria must be met:

1. The student must complete the scholarship application that is included with this document.
2. The recipient must enroll in a course of study related to the field of education, including: teacher, guidance counselor, speech pathologist, ASL, etc.
3. The student must have received a 3.0 grade point average or better during their first 7 semesters of high school. In addition, a 3.0 grade point average or better must be earned during the first semester of the recipient's college career.
4. A copy of transcripts from the student's first college semester must be submitted to the ATA treasurer by January 15th of the student's first year of college. Documents may be delivered in person, through email, or via traditional mail.
 - a. If the student is mailing their transcript and other accompanying documents, they must be postmarked by January 15th of the student's freshman year of college.

Upon receipt of transcripts and a course schedule for the second semester, the committee will review all documents and authorize the ATA treasurer to make payment.

ATA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Academic Information:

GPA _____ Class Rank _____ Composite ACT _____

Guidance Counselor's signature is required to verify high school GPA, Class rank, and ACT score:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Personal Statement:

In no more than 500 words, describe both your short-term and long-term education goals along with your personal characteristics that you believe will contribute to your success as a teacher.

Rationale Statement:

In no more than 500 words, explain your motivation for becoming a teacher. What is it about a career in education that appeals to you personally?

Service Activities:

Provide a list of service oriented activities or groups that you have been involved with during your high school career as well as any significant titles that you have held within these groups. Be sure to also include a brief summary of the activities you took part in as a member. This list can include school related organizations, community service opportunities, mission trips, and other relevant activities that demonstrate your efforts to help others.

Letter of Recommendation:

Include a letter of recommendation from one person describing the traits that will make you an outstanding teacher. This letter should focus on your character, work ethic, and personality in order to demonstrate your potential for success as an educator.

All documents must be submitted to Mrs. VanHoose by 3 pm on Monday, May 3rd, 2021 to be considered for this scholarship.