



NTAPT Student Scholarship Application Instructions 2025-2026

The NTAPT Scholarship is sponsored by the North Texas Association for Pupil Transportation (NTAPT). It is presented to a graduating senior of an accredited Texas High School, Private School (including home schooling), or Charter School. The applicant must be an immediate family member (son, daughter, or grandchild) of a person employed in school bus transportation in a district that is an active member of NTAPT.

Awards

Three (3) Student Scholarships will be awarded this year. A one-time award of \$2,000.00 will be presented to each of the three selected seniors. Funds will be released after proof of registration and payment for a minimum of 12 college semester hours is provided to the NTAPT President or designee.

One (1) Adult Scholarship will be awarded. A one-time award of \$1,500.00 will be presented to the selected recipient. Funds will be released after proof of registration and payment for eligible continued education is provided to the NTAPT President or designee.

Selection Process

The scholarship selection committee will consist of a minimum of three active NTAPT members appointed by the NTAPT President. Applicants may be contacted for possible interviews. The 2026 Scholarship Committee consists of the following members:

Liz Ospina – Chair	– Mesquite ISD
Dana Reichenau	– Midlothian ISD
Itzumi Goss	– Garland ISD
Erika Leyva	– Community ISD

Application Requirements

Applicants must be **graduating high school seniors in the year of application** and ensure they meet all scholarship criteria. A completed application and all required materials must

be submitted by the deadline. Accurate student and parent/guardian contact information must be provided.

Eligibility Documentation

Applicants must submit proof of acceptance into a 2-year or 4-year college program and proof of qualifying employment or membership as required.

NTAPT Packet Rules

- Applicant name appears only on the cover sheet.
- Parent/legal guardian must sign if applicant is under 18.
- All questions on the application must be answered.
- Only NTAPT forms may be used.
- Do not attach resumes or additional sheets.
- Do not include identifying information in responses.
- Chairperson will assign a control number and remove identifying pages before review.

Additional Required Materials

Personal Essay (including):

- Educational and career goals
- Volunteer/community service work
- Extracurricular activities
- Leadership roles, honors, awards
- Impact of scholarship on educational plan

Letters of Support:

- High school principal
- High school counselor
- Current teacher
- Parent or grandparent

Deadline

Wednesday, April 1, 2026. All applications must be submitted to Liz Ospina at lospina@mesquiteisd.org, NTAPT Scholarship Committee Chairperson, by 11:59 pm. Applications will be shared with the scholarship committee for review.