

North and East Texas Press Association

\$1,500 Scholarship Application Instructions



The North and East Texas Press Association will award two \$1,500 scholarships, one to a **graduating high school senior** and one to a **currently enrolled college student***. The scholarships are payable at \$750 per semester to the registrar of the college of the recipient's choice when the recipient is pursuing an education in print journalism.

Applicants must be from the area served by the NETPA and should:

1. Complete the attached application.
2. Provide a current official transcript stamped by the school.
3. High school applicants should submit three letters with their applications:
 - a. a letter of recommendation from a senior or junior level English teacher;
 - b. a letter from the student's publications adviser;
 - c. a letter from a person of the applicant's choice.

Collegiate applicants should submit (b) and (c) above.

4. Applicants should submit clips of work produced in the current school year.

Send the completed application to Randy Keck, The Community News, P.O. Box 1031, Aledo, TX 76008. **DEADLINE:** Applications must be postmarked by **Saturday, March 7, 2009** to be considered. Winners will be notified by March 28 and will be invited to attend the NETPA covention in Granbury **April 2-4, 2009**. Questions may be directed to Randy Keck (817-441-7661, rkeck@community-news.com). Additional copies of the scholarship application may be downloaded from www.netpa.us.

* At judges' discretion, two scholarships may be awarded in one category and none in another based on the quality of the applications.

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Name _____ Gender _____

I am _____ a graduating high school senior _____ a college student (check one)

Mailing address _____ Phone _____

City, State Zip _____ Age last birthday _____

Name of college or university _____ City _____

Name of High School _____ City _____

Father's full name _____ Phone _____

Mother's Full Name _____ Phone _____

Financial need (circle one) Great Average Slight

School paper experience? Yes No Yearbook experience? Yes No

If yes to either question above, please list positions held and responsibilities:

Other journalism experience? Yes No Where? _____

Positions held and responsibilities:

Major high school or college accomplishments and honors: _____

Favorite Subjects: _____

On a separate sheet of paper, please put your name at the top and answer the following questions:

- What are your career goals once you have achieved your academic goals?
- What role does print journalism play in maintaining a healthy democracy?
- Briefly explain the importance of community journalism.
- How have you demonstrated the development of the work ethic necessary to insure the successful investment of this scholarship in your future as a journalist?
- Is there anything else you would like to tell the scholarship committee?

Applicant's signature: _____ Date: _____