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Texas Renaissance Festival School Days Announces Scholarships

\$1,500 Scholarships available to graduating seniors in four categories

February XX, 2020 (Todd Mission, TX) – The Texas Renaissance Festival School Days program has announced four scholarship opportunities for graduating seniors. The application deadline for each of the scholarships is April 1, 2020. Recipients will be announced on May 1, 2020.

All scholarships are available to graduating seniors in public, private and home school programs in Harris, Montgomery, Walker, Grimes, Brazos, Washington, Austin, Waller, Burelson, Fort Bend, Brazoria, Galveston, Chambers, San Jacinto, Jefferson, and Liberty counties, **as well as students who competed in any 2019 School Days Academic or Fine Arts Competition.** Applicants must be a U.S. citizen or eligible resident.

Educators - \$1,500

Students must be planning to major in education, to become a teacher in a public or private school.

Scholarship Criteria:

- 50% academic
- 25% extracurricular involvement, including participation in teacher preparation activities such as Texas Association of Future Educators (TMEA).
- 25% essays

Fine Arts - \$1,500

Fine Arts are defined as: Dance (traditional i.e. ballet, tap, modern jazz), Instrumental Music, Vocal Music, Theatre Arts and Visual/Graphic Arts.

Scholarship Criteria:

- 50% demonstrated achievement in the student's chosen discipline
- 25% academic
- 25% essays

Humanities - \$1,500

Students must be planning to major in the subjects of History, English or foreign languages.

Scholarship Criteria:

- 50% academic
- 25% extracurricular involvement, including participation in service and/or academic organizations
- 25% essays

Participant - \$1,500

Available to current college students or graduating seniors in public, private and home schools who work for the Texas Renaissance Festival or one of its vendors for the entire 2019 season, and is planning to attend a college, university or trade school in the fall of 2020.

Scholarship criteria:

- 40% academic
- 20% extracurricular involvement, including participation in school activities such as sports or arts; or service organizations such as school student council or tutoring initiatives, local food banks or animal shelters, etc.
- 20% recommendations, including official rubric from TRF employer
- 20% essays.

All scholarship monies are paid directly to the college or university in which the recipient enrolls. Applications can be obtained by visiting www.texrenfest.com/school-days. All applications, recommendation letters and transcripts must be sent in together for consideration. All application information is confidential and exclusive for the use of the scholarship committee. For additional information, contact The Texas Renaissance Festival office at 281-356-2178 or SchoolDays@TexRenFest.com.

About the Texas Renaissance Festival

The Texas Renaissance Festival is the nation's largest Renaissance event. Each year over 450,000 patrons enter through the gates of the festival into a 16th Century European Village where performers immerse you in the enchantment of the village that feature 21 stages of music and stage acts, 400 shoppes, artisans, and a world tour for the taste buds that of course include turkey legs! 2020 TRF season dates are October 3 – November 29. More information can be found at www.texrenfest.com.