

Trussville Area Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Program

Overview, Scholarships, Policies & Procedures

The Trussville Area Chamber of Commerce (TACC) annually awards scholarships to graduating high school seniors to support their pursuit of higher education. These scholarships recognize academic achievement, community involvement, leadership, and commitment to the Trussville community.

Application Timeline

- **Application Period:** Opens in January and closes in early April
- **Notification of Recipients:** Late April
- **Recognition:** Recipients are honored at the May Chamber Luncheon and announced at Hewitt-Trussville High School Senior Awards Day

Application Requirements:

- Completed scholarship application
- Essay (300–400 words) on an assigned topic
- Resume
- Personal interview (may be required for certain scholarships)

Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant must be a **Hewitt Trussville High School student**
- Applicant must be a graduating high school senior
- Applicant must plan to attend a two or four-year university

Scholarships are awarded based on:

- Student work experience
- Community and school involvement
- Essay submission
- Volunteerism
- Parent/guardian Chamber involvement (Chamber Champion Scholarship only)

Award Distribution

- Scholarships are **one-time, non-renewable awards**
- Funds are **paid directly to the recipient's chosen school**
- Recipients must complete a **funds request form** to initiate payment

Scholarship Opportunities

Academic Scholarship

The Academic Scholarship is open to any graduating senior who attends Hewitt Trussville High School and plans to attend a two or four-year college the Chamber awards a minimum of three **\$1,500 Academic Scholarships**.

Chamber Champion Scholarship

The Chamber Champion Scholarship is available to graduating seniors whose parent or guardian is a **member in good standing of the Trussville Area Chamber of Commerce**. From among the Chamber Champion Scholarship applicants, one student is selected to receive the \$3,000 scholarship. Scholarship recipients are selected based on: Academic Achievement; Community, School, and Volunteer Involvement; and Essay quality.



CONFIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

CATEGORY (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Graduating Senior (2026)
- ☐ HTHS Student
- ☐ Child of TACC Member

I AM APPLYING FOR

- ☐ Academic scholarship
- ☐ Chamber member scholarship

Full Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip:** _____

Telephone: _____ **Alternate Telephone:** _____

Email Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Father's Name: _____ **Occupation:** _____

Mother's Name: _____ **Occupation:** _____

Colleges or career/trade schools applied to (circle those to which you have been accepted):

Have you decided where you will attend? _____ If so, where? _____

Anticipated college or career/trade school entrance date: _____

Projected major field of study: _____

Career objective: _____

High school GPA: _____ ACT score (composite): _____

List all sources and amounts of funds awarded or available to you, e.g., other scholarship, gifts, trusts, etc.:

How much (in dollar amount) of your awarded scholarship money can be used at the educational institution you have chosen? _____

Work experience: _____

Community service/Volunteer experience:

If there are other children in your immediate family who receive support from your parents, list only their ages. (Do not include yourself.) _____

Number of siblings who will be in college or career/trade school at the same time as you. If any, when and where? (Do not include yourself.) _____

Please attach a copy of your resume to this application and have your school guidance counselor or guardian of record attach a copy of your transcript to this application.

On a separate sheet, use 300 to 400 words, write an essay on the following: What does volunteering mean to you, and how has serving the Trussville community shaped your understanding of what it means to be part of a strong and connected community?

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, CERTIFY THE INFORMATION I HAVE SUBMITTED TO BE TRUE AND CORRECT, AND I UNDERSTAND THAT MY RECEIPT OF SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS FROM OTHER SOURCES MAY RESULT IN INELIGIBILITY FOR A TRUSSVILLE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE (TACC) SCHOLARSHIP.

Applicant’s Signature: _____

Parent’s Signature: _____

Date of Application: _____

This application must be postmarked or turned in to the chamber office by Wednesday, April 1, 2026, 4:00 p.m., in a labeled envelope to:

**Trussville Area Chamber of Commerce
400 Main Street
Trussville, AL 35173**

***Mailed applications postmarked by the due date will not be accepted after Friday, April 3.**

NOTES

- Applicants should be students at Hewitt Trussville High School.

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Checklist

- All questions answered _____
- Copy of transcript enclosed (an “official” transcript is not necessary) _____
- Essay about why a scholarship should be awarded to you enclosed _____
- Copy of resume enclosed _____

DO NOT FOLD OR STAPLE YOUR APPLICATION.