



2024 TCGC College Scholarship

The Tri-County Golf Club Foundation is offering educational scholarship opportunities to high school seniors who will attend an institution of higher learning this fall semester.

Scholars must excel academically, exhibit leadership potential, and participate in community service.

Scholarship Award:

TCGC will make a one-time award of \$500.00 to each recipient from Chester, Lancaster, and York Counties. The award checks will be made payable to the institution in care of the recipient upon proof of enrollment for the fall 2024 academic year. **Application period January through April 30th, 2024.**

Requirements:

- Scholars must be a permanent resident of South Carolina and currently attending high school in one of three counties; Chester, Lancaster or York County.
- A completed scholarship application and media release form.
- Submission of a typed essay (300-500 words) **See next page for essay topic**
- Two letters of recommendation written during the current academic year addressed to TCGC. One must be a character reference on an official letterhead from a school official or a service organization with which you have volunteered. The second letter must be from an unrelated person of your choice.
- 3.0 Cumulative Grade Point Average or higher on a 4.0 scale.
- Your most recent official transcript in a sealed envelope from the school with an official seal.
- An acceptance letter on the official letterhead from the institution you will attend.
- Proof of community service hours performed during your high school career; a minimum of 40 hours is required (documented on the organization's letterhead).

Submission Deadline: All application packets must be postmarked/received by **Tuesday, April 30th, 2024**. Mail application and supporting materials to address below. Digital or faxed submissions will not be accepted.

**Tri-County Golf Club Inc.
Attn: Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 892
Chester, SC 29706**



Essay Topic
Vaping: A Health Crisis?

According to the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA):

- *Based on the Food and Drug Administration, 1 in every 4 high school students are consuming electronic cigarettes (vapes).*
- *Vaping, like smoking, can destroy lung capacity, and can put a person at risk of developing serious lung diseases such as emphysema, chronic bronchitis, or COVID 19.*
- *As of February 2020, 2,807 people were hospitalized because of vaping devices. Of those that were hospitalized, there were 68 confirmed deaths due to lung injuries.*

Based on the statistics above, do you believe/not believe that the use of electronic cigarettes is causing harm to teenagers? State 3 support ideas that support your reason.

Please write your essay using the 5 paragraph essay outline below. It should include:

Paragraph 1: An introduction of your topic sentence and briefly mention your 3 supporting ideas.

Paragraphs 2-4: Each paragraph has a topic sentence and three or more supporting detail sentences that relate back to the main idea.

Paragraph 5: Summarize your ideas and restate your topic sentence in your closing.



2024 TCGC Scholarship Application

Please complete this form in its entirety. Information must be typed or printed directly on this form.

Required Information: (Please type or print)

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Best Contact Phone Number _____

E-mail Address _____

Gender: Male / Female (Please Circle)

Date of Birth: _____

Parent/Guardian's Name _____

Educational History:

Current High School Attending: _____

Cumulative GPA _____

List any honors, awards, or extra-curricular activities (community service, sports, clubs, church etc...) *Note: Attach additional sheet if needed.*

Application Review Process:

Completed applications and all supporting materials must be received by Tuesday April 30th, 2024 to be considered. Incomplete or late submissions will automatically be disqualified. If selected, you will be notified on or before May 17th, 2024 via email or phone call. In addition, you will be asked to submit a current headshot photo and biography. Details to follow. Scholarship recipients shall receive award checks after remitting proof of enrollment for the 2024-2025 academic year.



Applicant Checklist

Utilize this checklist to ensure your application packet is complete. **Late or incomplete submissions will be disqualified.** Return this checklist with your application packet. The information below also serves as general guidelines to assist applicants in understanding the review criteria. If you have any questions, contact Leroy Stroud stroudleroy@yahoo.com or 803-519-6833

Please organize required documents in the following order for submission:

1. 2024 TGCG Scholarship Application Page and Media Release Form
2. Typed Essay (300-500 words) using the 5 paragraph essay format.
The essay will be assessed on the following:
 - Adherence to essay topic and outline
 - Favorable essay characteristics (compelling, interesting, and engaging)
 - Spelling and Grammar
3. Two recommendation letters written during the current academic year.
 - One must be a character reference on an official letterhead from a school official or a service organization with which you have volunteered.
 - The second letter must be from an unrelated person of your choice
4. Your most recent official transcript in a sealed envelope from the school with an official seal.
5. Official acceptance letter from college or university (on official letterhead)
6. Proof of community service hours performed during your high school career; a minimum of 40 hours is required (documentation on the organization's letterhead)



Photography Release Form And Parental Consent

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 authorize **do not authorize**, the Tri- County Golf Club (TCGC) and/or
photographer working on behalf of TCGC to use, reproduce, and/or publish
photographs that may pertain to my son/daughter, _____,
including his/her image.

I understand that this material may be used in various publications such as newspapers,
TCGC publications/websites, or for other related endeavors.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____