Dear Texas High School Counselor:

Subject: 2017 TTA Foundation Scholarship Application and Guidelines

The Texas Telephone Association Foundation (TTAF), a non-profit, philanthropic organization founded to help further the understanding of telephony and advance telecommunications as a career choice, will award six, four-year scholarships, in the amount of $2,000 per year to students entering college for the 2017-2018 school year.

Through March 17, 2017, the TTA Foundation will accept applications for scholarships to be granted beginning Fall 2017. It is our intention to fully review every application submitted. Therefore, TTA Foundation will accept a maximum of two qualified applications per high school counselor. (For example, if your school has three counselors, you may submit a total of six applications.) The Scholarship Committee will make its selections from those applications which meet the following criteria and include the required materials:

♦ U.S. Citizen;
♦ Student graduating from a Texas high school no later than June 2017;
♦ Student achieving a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher (out of a possible 4.0);
♦ Student planning to attend a Texas college or university by the Fall of 2017;
♦ A completed application postmarked no later than March 17, 2017, including a current transcript
♦ A letter of acceptance from a Texas college or university where student has been accepted.
♦ Copy of student’s SAR (Student Aid Report).
♦ Do not send incomplete applications. Do not send additional information to be added to your applications once the original application has been sent.

Please note--special consideration will be given to students who will be pursuing a college degree in fields of study which are of particular interest to telecommunications (such as math, business, education, technology, engineering, and computer science, etc.). The courses of study in high school, extracurricular/civic activities and demonstrated leadership will also be considered. In addition, special consideration will be given to students who have established financial need.

By late April, the TTA Foundation Scholarship Committee will select six (6) finalists to receive four-year scholarships in the amount of $2,000 per year.

Scholarship recipients will be notified by early May. Any questions regarding the scholarship application should be directed to JoAnn Kamerman at the Texas Telephone Association office: joannkam@tta.org or 512-472-1183. You may also access the attached application form at the Texas Telephone Association website: www.tta.org.

Sincerely,

Bill Colston, Jr.
Chairman, Texas Telephone Association Foundation
To submit a complete application, please follow these instructions:
♦ Complete the official application form below (please type or print).
♦ Attach a current official transcript to the application form.
♦ Attach a letter of acceptance from the Texas college or university you will be attending in Fall 2017 (If you have not yet received an acceptance letter, please indicate the name of the school you are planning to attend, and forward your acceptance to TTAF as soon as you receive it.)
♦ Include a copy of your SAR (Student Aid Report). To obtain your SAR complete a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) form on-line at www.fafsa.ed.gov/complete001.htm.
♦ Counselors must mail the complete package postmarked no later than March 18, 2017 to:

TTA Foundation
1717 W. 6th Street – Suite 370
Austin, TX 78703

*DEADLINE* Applications must be submitted by counselor & postmarked no later than March 17, 2017. Only complete applications will be considered * Each high school counselor may submit two applications.

Applicant Information

Applicant’s Name ____________________________
Address ________________________________
City ___________________ State _______ Zip _______ Phone ________
Email Address ________________________________
High School ________________________________
Address ________________________________
City ___________________ State _______ Zip _______ Phone ________
Counselor __________________________ Phone ________
Class Rank: _______ of _______ SAT _______ ACT _______ Cumulative GPA _______

Parent/Guardian Information

Father (or guardian): __________________________
Employer: __________________________
Occupation: __________________________ Annual Income: __________________________
(Gross Income)
Mother (or guardian): __________________________
Employer: __________________________
Occupation: __________________________ Annual Income: __________________________
(Gross Income)
Brothers and sisters in the family older than applicant: __________________________
Brothers and sisters in the family younger than applicant: __________________________
Including applicant, how many members of the immediate family will be in college next year? __________________________
List any scholarships applicant has received, the amount, and how many years for which they apply: __________________________

Does either parent/guardian’s employment affiliation provide full or partial scholarship to any institution of higher learning? If yes, explain. __________________________
Extracurricular Activities

Student Activities (student government, Key Club, National Honor Society, etc.) By year: 


Community Activities by year: 


Athletics (school and other) by year: 


Awards: 


Employment History

List below summer employment or other work experience.

1. Dates of employment: to 
   Employer: 
   Occupation: Hours per week: 

2. Dates of employment: to 
   Employer: 
   Occupation: Hours per week: 

3. Dates of employment: to 
   Employer: 
   Occupation: Hours per week: 

Long Term Objectives

Summarize your long-term career objectives: 


College or University you plan to attend: 

Contemplated field of study (Special consideration will be given to applicants pursuing a field of study that may lead to a career in the telecommunications industry): 


Signature ___________________________ Date ___________________________