



**Nacogdoches Junior Forum Scholarship Application 2023-2024**

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in the Nacogdoches Junior Forum (NJF) Scholarship program. Nacogdoches Junior Forum is one of 10 Texas non-profit chapters dedicated to serving their community through service and monetary support. NJF is proud to support numerous Nacogdoches non-profits every year with over 5,000 hours in community service and more than \$40K in financial support.

Additionally, NJF is honored to award thousands of dollars in scholarships to Nacogdoches County students for awards in three categories: community service, financial need/special circumstances, and students attending Stephen F. Austin State University. **You may apply for one or more categories.** Please complete **one application**, then include an essay for each category for which you are applying. See application for instructions for each essay. The application(s) must be postmarked by **Friday, March 15, 2024.** No late applications will be accepted for any reason.

Applicants must:

- Be a high school student graduating in 2024 and in good standing (**attendance, academic, behavior**).
- Have a minimum of a "C" average (as calculated by your school district).
- Be enrolling in at least 12 hours in an accredited university, college, community college or technical school in the Fall of 2024.
- Complete the application in full, attach your essay(s), and provide all supplemental information as requested.
- If selected, you will attend a short interview session with NJF members to determine the final award recipients. The interview session will be scheduled for Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Winning applicants must agree to have their name, high school, college plans, and photo published in the Daily Sentinel. Winners must provide a signed Scholarship Agreement and comply with all requirements therein.

Please call, text, or email Maria Sutterfield @ 501-208-3920 or Ashlee Downing @ 903-692-0234 [njfscholarships@gmail.com](mailto:njfscholarships@gmail.com) with any questions regarding eligibility or application requirements. Applications can also be downloaded from our website at [www.nacjrforum.org](http://www.nacjrforum.org) under the tab "Scholarships & Grants."

Again, thank you for your interest and best of luck as you conclude a successful high school career and begin your college years!

Sincerely,

Maria Sutterfield and Ashlee Downing  
Nacogdoches Junior Forum  
Scholarship Committee Chairs

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**JUNIOR  
FORUM**

AN ESSAY IS REQUIRED FOR EACH CATEGORY FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING

**VII. Community Service Essay**

- If you are applying for the Community Service Scholarship, answer the following question in 500 words or less on an attached page (typed):

**Describe the value of community service, the difference that feel you made, and what you gained from your experiences.**

**VIII. Stephen F. Austin State University Essay**

- If you are applying for the SFASU Attendee Scholarship, answer the following question in 500 words or less on an attached page (typed): Why did you decide to attend SFASU?

**IX. Financial Need/Special Circumstances Essay**

- If you are applying for the Financial Need/Special Circumstances Scholarship, answer the following question in 500 words or less on an attached page (**typed**):

What additional information would you like us to know in order to consider you for a Special Circumstances Scholarship? (Examples: exceptional hardships, personal responsibilities to family)

APPLICANTS, you must provide the following items at the time of application:

- This completed 3-page application form.
- An attached essay for each scholarship for which you apply:  
1) Community Service 2) Attending SFASU, and/or 3) Financial Need/Special Circumstances\*\*

**\*\* Financial Need/Special Circumstances Applicants MUST also provide at the time of application the first two pages of your primary financial supporter's 2023 Income Tax Statement. Please do not send your own tax form unless you totally support yourself.**

**Applications must be post marked by March 15, 2024**

MAIL TO: Nacogdoches Junior Forum, PO Box 632323, Nacogdoches, TX 75963-2323

Attn: Maria Sutterfield &/or Ashlee Downing

Nacogdoches Junior Forum Scholarship Committee Chairs

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

## NACOGDOCHES JUNIOR FORUM SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

I am applying for this scholarship based on (check all that apply):

☐ Community Service

☐ Attending SFASU

☐ Financial Need/Special Circumstances

Name \_\_\_\_\_

First

Middle

Last

School \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ May we contact you by text? Y/N

Home Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail address \_\_\_\_\_

What is the best way to contact you? \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a First-Generation College Student (no other family members ever attended college)? \_\_\_\_\_

Counselor signature \_\_\_\_\_

Counselor phone # (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### I. Academics

Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_ Size of Class \_\_\_\_\_ High School GPA \_\_\_\_\_

SAT Scores: Verbal \_\_\_\_\_ ACT Scores: Composite \_\_\_\_\_

Math \_\_\_\_\_

Writing \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

	Colleges of Choice	Anticipated Major	Career Plans	Accepted Y or N
1				
2				
3				

### II. Honors and Awards

Please list any special recognitions/awards, in priority order, that you have received during high school for academic excellence, community involvement, or extracurricular activities. If you have more than 5, list the 5 most important.

Award	Level-local/regional/state/national/international	Years Received

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

### III. Activities

List your extracurricular activities in high school in priority order. Include participation in athletics, scouts, publications, school plays, club work, band, choir, student government, church, etc. Please be specific in listing any offices you held and duties you performed.

Activity	9th	10th	11th	12th	Highest Office Held, if any

### IV. Employment

Do you plan to work while attending school? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, how many hours per week? \_\_\_\_

Please list up to four recent employment experiences

Name of Employer	Title/Duties	Hours/week	Dates

### V. Community Service/Unpaid or Volunteer Work (Boy/Girl Scouts, Volunteer, Tutor, Youth Mentor, Faith-based, etc...)

Please list your Community Service, outside of what is already required by your school clubs and activities.  
The director's name and phone # are required information.

Agency	Director	Phone #	# of Hours	Description of Service

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_

**VI. Family and Income Information (Mandatory for Financial Need/Special Circumstances category only)**

Father/Guardian		Mother/Guardian	
Name		Name	
Address		Address	
Occupation		Occupation	
Name of Employer		Name of Employer	
Education Completed		Education Completed	

**VI. Family and Income Information (Mandatory for Financial Need/Special Circumstances category only)**

Parent's Adjusted Gross Income: \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Adjusted Gross Income: \_\_\_\_\_

List siblings in household, their age, and what grade they are in.

	NAME	AGE	GRADE		NAME	AGE	GRADE
1					4		
2					5		
3					6		

How many from your family will be in college next year, including yourself \_\_\_\_\_.

Please list all other scholarships, financial assistance, or educational loans applied for and received, if any:

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**VII. Has a member of your family ever been a member of Junior Forum? If yes, please list their name below.**

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Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_