

A4LE Central Texas Chapter Student Scholarship Award

Overview:

The A4LE Central Texas Chapter Student Scholarship is a competitive, merit-based scholarship program designed for graduating or recently graduated from high school who desire financial support for their pursuit of post-secondary educational opportunities.

The Scholarship will be allocated to a recipient who is a student in the Central Texas area which currently has a member in A4LE. The method for the selection of the recipient to receive the Scholarship shall be at the discretion of the Central Texas Chapter Board.

Scholarship Award:

Up to three (3) students will be selected as the recipients of a \$2,000 Scholarship (up to \$6,000 total awarded).

A4LE:

The Association for Learning Environments (A4LE) was first established in 1921 as the National Council on Schoolhouse Construction (NCSC), changing to its current name in 2015. A4LE is a non-profit, interdisciplinary association of professionals working at the intersection of learning and place to drive the evolution of learning environments in order to improve the places where people learn.

A4LE is a diverse community made up of nearly every discipline involved in school planning, construction, and maintenance. From product suppliers, to architects in the field, to school district facilities superintendents, we work to serve the needs of this profession.

A4LE is seen as the foremost resource for planning, design, construction, and operation of learning environments and recognized for its knowledge, essential training, accreditation, and certification. As a result, A4LE membership has expanded throughout the world to include more than 5,400 professionals with one single goal - to build healthy, safe, and resilient 21st century learning environments

The mission of the Association is to continually seek out best practices in creating quality learning environments for students. It is A4LE members who lead the educational facility planning profession towards a new vision based on innovation and discovery.

Requirements:

Students must submit all required submission forms and essays by 5:00 PM on April 27, 2025. All applications must be emailed to donna@a4le.org with the title "CTX Student Scholarship". No paper submissions will be accepted

Qualifications:

1. The candidate shall be graduating in 2024/2025 or recently graduated within the last 18 months.
2. The candidate shall display engagement with and/or service to those around them in school, community, family and/or employment.
3. The candidate must be accepted a post-secondary educational program following their graduation (i.e. university, technical school, community college, etc).
4. The candidate must be from a Central Texas School District which has a current member in A4LE. Applicants from the following School Districts are eligible:
 - a. Del Valle ISD, Dripping Springs ISD, Round Rock ISD, Leander ISD, Lake Travis ISD, Austin ISD, Hays CISD, Elgin ISD, Killeen ISD, Conroe ISD, Bryan ISD, Fort Bend ISD, Lorena ISD

Essay Information:

There has been increasing evidence that the design and condition of an educational facility has a significant impact on the quality of education and a student's ability to learn. **In 500 words or less**, describe how your high school facility has contributed to the quality of your education. In addition, describe the changes you would make to your high school facility that would improve the quality of education, if finances were not a limitation.

Evaluation Criteria:

The candidate will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

Acceptance into post-secondary educational program following graduations	Pass/Fail
Engagement with and/or service to those around them in school, community, family and/or employment	Max Points: 5 points
Essay Subject	Max Points: 20 points
Evaluation Criteria Total	Total Points Available: 25 points

A4LE Central Texas Chapter Student Scholarship Application

Please **type** or **print** your answers. If application is illegible, it will be returned to you.

1.	Last Name: _____	First Name: _____
2.	Mailing Address: _____ Street: _____ City: _____ Postal Code: _____	
3.	Daytime Telephone Number: () _____	Email: _____
4.	Date of Birth: Month Day Year	
5.	Current School: _____	Number of years attended: _____
6.	I will be attending the following school in the Fall of 20 : _____ I will be entering the following program/college: _____ <i>*Confirmation of enrollment from the above school is required prior to receipt of funds.</i>	
7.	List the leadership roles you have held within your school or community:	
8.	Academic Average: _____ <i>*Please provide a copy of your transcript</i>	
9.	Personal Essay Essay Subject: <i>"There has been increasing evidence that the design and condition of an educational facility has a significant impact on the quality of education and a student's ability to learn. In 500 words or less, describe how your high school facility has contributed to the quality of your education. In addition, describe the changes you would make to your high school facility that would improve the quality of education, if finances were not a limitation."</i>	
10.	The following items must be attached to this application in order for the application to qualify to be reviewed by the scholarship committee. Circle "Yes" or "No" to be sure you have attached each item required. Yes / No Completed signed application form (this form) Yes / No A copy of your most recent transcript Yes / No Personal Essay (500 words maximum) Yes / No A copy of your acceptance letter to post-secondary education	