

## **GULF COAST CHAPTER SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES**

**2026**

### **AMOUNT OF AWARDS**

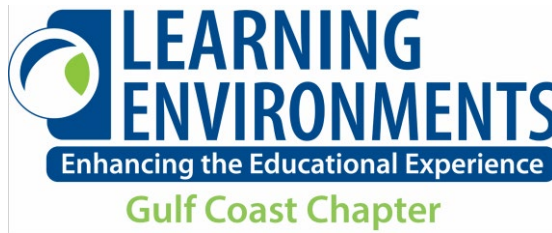
- \$3,000 per student
- Will award up to five (5) scholarships. **The scholarship will be forwarded directly to the higher learning institution the applicant is attending. No checks or funds will be mailed directly to students and award of the scholarship is based on available funding.**

### **STUDENTS MUST BE MAJORING IN THE FOLLOWING FIELDS**

- Architecture, Engineering (i.e. Mechanical, Electrical, Civil, Structural, etc.) and Construction industry (AEC) as well as related disciplines such as, but not limited to, Interior Design, Industrial Design, Construction Management, Computer-Aided Design/Drafting, Skilled Trades (Electricians, Plumbers, HVAC Technicians, etc.), or any student pursuing a degree in education.

### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Post-Secondary Institution
- Intent to attend any University, College, or Trade School (non-traditional school for certification) – documentation required after enrollment for distribution of funds
- Will require copy of college or university acceptance letter
- Residency
- Must be resident of a school district within Gulf Coast Chapter area
- Current Enrollment
- Open to HS seniors only
- Academic requirements
- Transcripts required



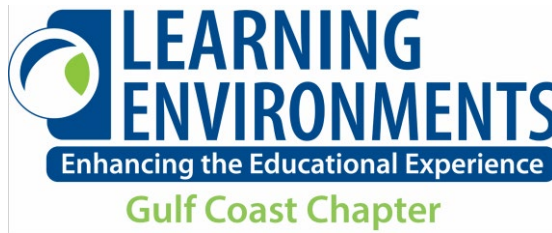
## JUDGING CRITERIA

- Grade Point Average – 10 points maximum (***student must request and submit their transcript based on a 4.0 GPA***)
  - 4.0 on 4.0 Scale – 10 points
  - 3.5 – 3.99 – 8 points
  - 3.0 – 3.49 – 6 points
  - 2.5 – 2.99 – 4 points
  - Less than 2.5 – 2 points
- Other requirements: 90 points maximum
  - Completed Application – 10 points
  - Three (3) Letters of Recommendation – 15 points (total)
  - Essay – 35 points
  - Clarity of Expression
  - Comprehensiveness
  - Creativity
  - Knowledge of Subject
  - Interpretative Conclusions
  - Importance and Validity
  - Leadership – 15 points (total) [as evidenced in Letters of Recommendation]
  - Community Service – 15 points (total) [as evidenced in Letters of Recommendation]
- An essay prompt will be used  
2026 Essay Prompt: There has been increasing evidence that the design and condition of an educational facility has a significant impact on a student's ability to learn. In 1,000 words or less, describe how your high school building has impacted the quality of your education. Also, please describe the kinds of changes that you would propose to your high school building and the surrounding site and the educational impact of those changes.

## TIMELINE

Application link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/26GulfCoastStudent>

- Scholarship submissions open **January 5, 2026**
- Applications are due **March 6, 2026**
- Recipients are notified on **April 10, 2026**
- Scholarship payments made to schools beginning **July 27, 2026**  
(no checks/payments will go directly to students)



## **Gulf Coast Area School Districts**

Aldine ISD	Cypress Fairbanks ISD	Hull-Daisetta ISD	Rice CISD
Alief ISD	Damon ISD	Humble ISD	Richards ISD
Alvin ISD	Danbury ISD	Iola ISD Katy	Royal ISD
Anahuac ISD	Dayton ISD	ISD Klein ISD	Sabine Pass ISD
Anderson-Shiro CISD	Deer Park ISD	Kountze ISD	Santa Fe ISD
Angleton ISD	Devers ISD	La Porte ISD	Sealy ISD
Barbers Hill ISD	Deweyville ISD	Lamar CISD	Sheldon ISD
Bay City ISD	Dickinson ISD	Liberty ISD	Silsbee ISD
Beaumont ISD	East Bernard ISD	Little Cypress-Mauriceville CISD Louise ISD	Splendora ISD
Bellville ISD	East Chambers ISD	Lumberton ISD	Spring Branch ISD
Boling ISD	El Campo	Magnolia ISD	Spring ISD
Brazos ISD	Evadale ISD Fort	Matagorda ISD	Stafford MSD
Brazosport ISD	Bend ISD	Montgomery ISD	Sweeny ISD
Brenham ISD	Friendswood ISD	Navasota ISD	Tarkington ISD
Bridge City ISD	Galena Park ISD	Nederland	Texas City ISD
Bryan ISD	Galveston ISD	Needville ISD	Tidehaven ISD
Buna ISD	Goose Creek CISD	New Caney ISD	Tomball ISD
Channelview ISD	Hamshire-Fannett ISD	Orangefield ISD	Van Vleck ISD
Clear Creek ISD	Hardin ISD	Pasadena ISD	Vidor ISD
Cleveland ISD	Hardin- Jefferson ISD	Pearland ISD	Waller ISD
College Station ISD	Hempstead ISD	Port Arthur ISD	West Hardin County CISD
Columbia-Brazoria ISD	High Island ISD	Port Neches-Groves ISD	West Orange-Cove CISD
Columbus ISD	Hitchcock ISD		Wharton ISD
Conroe ISD	Houston ISD		Willis ISD
Crosby ISD	Huffman ISD		