

Interested in applying for an East Texas Communities Foundation Scholarship?

CHECK OUT THESE TIPS!

from our scholars ...

Start Early & Manage Your Time

Don't wait until the last minute to start your application. Take the time to think about the essays and make sure your references get their information in on time.



Ask Questions

? If you have a question - ask it! This is not the time to figure it out on your own. It could literally cost you money.



Keep Activity Records

Record **everything** you do with clubs, volunteer organizations, classes and church activities.

Include your role and time spent. Then you can organize your records to include this information in your application.

Put Effort Into Your Essays

This is where you get to show the evaluators who you are and what you're all about.



from our evaluators ...

Proofread, Proofread, Proofread

Proofread your essays and make sure your grammar and spelling are **correct**. Capitalization is important! Check for lower case i's.

ASK your teacher, counselor, parent or friend to help you proofread your work.

DOES IT MAKE SENSE?

Over Explain

WRITE out the names of organizations you're involved in instead of using the acronyms. For example, "*Health Occupations Students of America*" has more meaning than "*HOSA*."

SHOW your true self in your answers. We want to know about you and why you are a good investment.

Tell Us Your Goals

from our staff ...

The Deadline Is the Deadline



There are **NO EXCEPTIONS** to the March 1st deadline. This is for the applications and all support documentation (references, transcripts, FAFSA info, acceptance letters, and any other uploaded documents).

Double Check Your Work ✓✓

Once the application is submitted, it can not be edited.

Do Not Use A School Email Address

School email addresses will be disabled when you graduate and we may not be able to contact you. **Check your email regularly!**



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