

**Texas Allied Poultry Association
Student Assistance Program
TAPA Scholarships**

The purpose of the Texas Allied Poultry Association (TAPA) Student Assistance Program is to provide financial assistance to undergraduate college students pursuing degrees in poultry science and related fields.

This assistance may be in the form of financial aid for tuition, lab fees, books, or other needs as determined by the TAPA Student Assistance Program Committee. Assistance will be determined annually based on fundraising levels.

Scholarships will be awarded based on need demonstrated by the applicant in their application, resume, and 400-word essay submitted to the TAPA Student Assistance Program Committee. The committee will also ask for input from the student's academic advisors and Department Head to help make scholarship determination.

The individual scholarships that TAPA awards are the following:

1. General TAPA Scholarship
2. Jimmy Singleton Memorial Scholarship *
3. K.E. "Jake" Jacob Memorial Scholarship*
4. C.R. "Dick" Creger Memorial Scholarship
5. James and Walline Grimm Scholarship
6. TAPA/TPF Children's Scholarship*

**Some scholarships have additional requirements. See second page for those individual scholarship requirements.*

Criteria for TAPA Student Assistance Program

All scholarship applicants must meet the criteria below for consideration of the TAPA Student Assistance Program.

Basic criteria that must be met by the applicants are:

1. Student must have completed 60 hours:
2. Student must have a minimum overall GPA of 2.5 with a minimum GPA of 2.75 within their major discipline.

The basic requirements for TAPA Student Assistance Program.

1. Application completed in full
2. A photo of applicant (head shot)
3. A 400-word essay that describes why the student deserves consideration for the TAPA scholarship.
4. A resume to include the following information as applicable
 - Full Name and Contact information
 - Hometown
 - Current and previously attended colleges or universities.
 - Work Experience (including internships and student related work experience).
 - Activities and Leadership
 - Awards and Honors
5. Transcript (official not required)

Additional criteria for select scholarships

Jimmy Singleton and K.E. "Jake" Jacob Memorial Scholarships

1. Students must meet the basic requirements of the TAPA Student Assistance Program as listed above.
2. The candidate's family should include an active member of the Texas Poultry Federation or one of its affiliates.
3. The candidate's family is a commercial grower for the poultry industry.
4. If either number 2 or 3 cannot be met, the scholarship will be awarded based on the criteria for the General TAPA Scholarship.

TAPA will award a scholarship in each name at both Texas A&M and Stephen F. Austin State University.

TAPA/TPF Children's Scholarship Criteria

Please note if you are applying for this scholarship you need to use the following application:

- TAPA/TPF Children Scholarship
 1. Students must meet the basic requirement of the TAPA Student Assistance Program as listed above.
 2. Applicants are not limited to agricultural disciplines.
 3. Applicant's parent must be an active member of TAPA/TPF.
 4. Applicants are not limited to Texas A&M and Stephen F. Austin Universities.
 5. Successful applicants will be determined based on their academic performance.
 6. Additional scholarships can be added depending upon the student's responses in their application and essay.
 7. Final selections for this scholarship will be made by an outside committee.

Additional information about TAPA Student Assistance Program

TAPA Student Assistance Program will award scholarships to students at Texas A&M and Stephen F. Austin State University. Selection will be made each year during the month of November.

Scholarships will be awarded directly to the institution's scholarship office and will be credited toward your tuition for the spring semester. Distribution of the awarded funds in a manner other than the above method can be arranged for special circumstances on a case by case basis as approved by the TAPA Student Assistance Program Committee. Successful candidates cannot be awarded scholarships more than twice for a total of \$3,000.

Application Deadline

Deadline for applications will be **October 15, 2020**.

Application, photo, resume, transcript and 400-word essay must be submitted through online application.