



**2023**

# **Texas Star Scholarship Guidelines**

# **2023 BRAZOS VALLEY FAIR & RODEO TEXAS STAR SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES & APPLICATION**

In 2023, the Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo (BVFR) will again award a \$1,000 scholarship to an outstanding student who is seeking to earn a degree from an accredited college, university, vocational or post-secondary institution. The scholarship will be awarded to a student who qualifies through the Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo Texas Star Scholarship Application.

The Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo's Educational Programs are a significant part of the BVFR's goals of benefiting youth, supporting education, and facilitating better agricultural understanding. All recipients of BVFR scholarships must demonstrate academic potential, leadership and financial need. Full scholarship will be awarded in the second semester of the recipient's freshman year. Any scholarship monies not claimed by the end of five years, post high school graduation will be forfeited by scholarship winner.

## **Important Dates to Remember**

<b>March 31, 2023</b>	<b>Application must be postmarked or emailed to BVFR staff by this date</b>
<b>May 31, 2023</b>	<b>Scholarship recipients will be notified</b>
<b>October 21, 2023</b>	<b>Scholarship Recipient Presentation during BVFR</b>

## **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Applicant must be a resident of the Brazos Valley
  - Eligible counties include: Brazos, Burleson, Grimes, Leon, Madison, Milam, Robertson, and Washington
- Must have been an active participant at the Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo. Those who have volunteered, exhibited or competed are eligible.
- Must attend an accredited college, university, vocational or post-secondary institution and be able to provide required proof of enrollment and completion of courses.
- Applicant must be a confirmed junior or senior in high school in order to qualify for this scholarship and include their most recent report card. BVFR staff will contact the school for verification.
- Applicant must fully type and complete the 2023 Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo Texas Star Scholarship Application. Include at least a 300-word, typed, double-spaced essay. The topic for this essay can be found on the main application page.
- Please note if applicant has qualified for more than one scholarship through BVFR programs, no more than \$1750 will be paid in one semester.

## **SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION EVALUATION**

The following items will be weighted by the panel of judges selected by the BVFR in order to evaluate each applicant in a fair manner. Each application is scored based on the following items:

- Scholastic and academic ability/achievements
- Agricultural activities and achievements, 4-H and FFA
- Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo participation
- Understanding of the agricultural industry as displayed in essay response
- Interview (Optional for 2023)

## **DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION**

- Application must be postmarked or emailed to the fair staff no later than **March 31, 2023.**
- Scholarship recipients will be notified no later than **May 31, 2023.**
- An application is not complete until the Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo Scholarship Department has received the required documents. Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted!

### **APPLICATIONS MUST BE MAILED TO:**

Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo  
Attn: Scholarship Department  
PO Box 594  
Bryan, TX 77806

### **OR EMAILED TO:**

[info@brazosvalleyfair.com](mailto:info@brazosvalleyfair.com)

## **QUESTIONS**

Contact the BVFR office with any questions. Call 979-821-1450 or email [info@brazosvalleyfair.com](mailto:info@brazosvalleyfair.com) Attn. Scholarship Department.



## 2023 Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo Texas Star Scholarship Application

**Due Date: March 31, 2023**  
**www.brazosvalleyfair.com**

### EXHIBITOR INFORMATION

Name:		Date of Birth:	
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip:
Phone:	Email:		US Citizen: YES or NO
Years in 4-H and/or FFA: (Minimum 3)	High School GPA: (4.0 Scale)	Expected HS Graduation Date: (Month/Year)	
High School Class Rank: (Top 50%)	ACT or SAT Score:		
College/ University Attending:	Major/ Degree:		
Anticipated Career:		Extension Agent:	

### EXTRACURRICULAR – ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS IF NECESSARY

Academic Achievements:
Community Achievements:
Agricultural Achievements: (Including 4-H/FFA)
Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo Involvement: (Exhibitor, Volunteer, Other)

### OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS

Have you been awarded any other scholarships?	If yes, please list name and value.
YES      or      NO	

### ESSAY – ATTACH ON ADDITIONAL PAGE

Include at least a 300-word, typed, double-spaced response to the following question.

1. Tell us about your most significant and impactful agricultural experience during your high school career.

By signing this application for scholarship application to the Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo I certify that all information contained herein is true and accurate to the fullest extent of my knowledge. I understand that submitting false information to the Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo will disqualify my application and I will no longer be accepted as a possible candidate for any scholarship monies. All submitted applications become the property of the Brazos Valley Fair & Rodeo and shall be retained by the Fair.

### PARENT MUST SIGN IF APPLICANT IS A MINOR AND UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE

Signature of Applicant:	Date:
Signature of Parent or Guardian:	Date:

Please ensure the following are included with your application:

- Fully-typed, completed BVFR Texas Star Scholarship Application plus additional sheets (if needed) to fully answer all questions
- Most recent high school report card or most recent high school transcript
- Typed, double-spaced essay, at least 300 words

### OFFICE USE ONLY

Full Application Submitted YES / NO		Date Received:
Missing:		
Application Score:	Essay Score:	Interview Score: