



Dear Scholarship Candidate,

The Mid-South Fair Youth Talent Committee is now accepting applications for the 2021 Anna Travis Scholarship, The Jerry Pace Memorial Scholarship and The Jim Siegfried Scholarship. You are receiving this letter because you participated in the 2019 Youth Talent Contest and our records indicate that you meet the age requirement for application. If after reading the requirements for scholarship, you feel you qualify, please have the application and all accompanying documents completely filled out and submitted no later than **APRIL 1, 2021.**

The Anna Travis Scholarship was established in 1988 to honor the memory of Anna Travis, an Honor Student at Evangelical Christian School and a cherished member of the Youth Talent Family.

The Jerry Pace Memorial Scholarship was established in 2001 by the family of Jerry Pace, a beloved member of the Mid South Fair family, and a long time volunteer on the Youth Talent Committee. Jerry was an athlete and an educator and as such was very committed to the spirit of the Youth Talent program. She encouraged kids to be involved in a program that rewarded and showcased the efforts made by not the only the award winners but also those who worked hard just to have the chance to perform. At the fair, she could always be found in the second seat on the second row and in the hearts of all the kids who were recipients of her encouragement. This scholarship will honor that spirit and commitment.

The Jim Siegfried Scholarship is the newest of our Youth Talent Scholarships. It was established in 2018 in honor of our dear Mr. Jim. Jim Siegfried was a longtime member of the Youth Talent Committee and a true member of our Mid South Fair Family. A longtime coach he was always giving and teaching the young people of his community. No one could encourage participants in the Youth Talent Contest the way he did as he prepared each act to go on stage. He lost his valiant fight against cancer in 2018 but he never lost his love for his family and his Youth Talent Kids. He and his family have been immersed in THE FAIR for many generations and his legacy will continue as we honor another Youth Talent Participant with this scholarship in his memory. We love our Mr. Jim.

We ask that you provide all school transcripts inclusive of ACT scores up to the date of Dec. 31, 2020. We also would like for you to provide 3 letters of recommendation from school officials, community or church leaders. Please also submit a 250 word essay discussing the Merit of the Youth Talent Program and one's personal growth achieved as a result of participation. We also recommend a resume to include your leadership skills, participation in the community, and any awards or recognition received by the applicant. We look forward to receiving your application. If you have any questions about any information enclosed, please email me at kdjudge@aol.com. **OR MAIL to MID SOUTH FAIR YOUTH TALENT SCHOLARSHIP 2584 Hwy 51 South, Hernando, MS 38632.**

Thank You,
DEBBIE BRANAN,



For those of you who have competed in 2019 in the Youth Talent Contest or any other contest at the Mid-South Fair for two consecutive years or more; you are also eligible to apply for the 2 Mid-South Fair Scholarships for \$1,000 each. Please increase your chances to receive one and apply for both scholarships. **I highly encourage those of you that have received both applications to fill them both out, enclose your proper documentation and write the 2 essays. Most importantly please get them in by the April 1, 2021 deadline. (You are eligible to apply for both scholarships but only one will be awarded to any one applicant each year)**

Last year, Youth Talent contestants received Mid-South Fair scholarships as well as three of the Youth Talent contestants being awarded the Anna Travis, Jerry Pace and Jim Siegfried Memorial Scholarships Who knows; perhaps this year one of these could be awarded to you-you will never know unless you apply.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact US at (901)634-0570 or at kdjudge@aol.com or MID SOUTH FAIR SCHOLARSHIPS 2584 HWY 51 SOUTH SUITE #4, Hernando, MS 38632

Looking forward to receiving your applications,

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