Tahquitz High School Scholarship Portfolio

General Instructions

The purpose of the scholarship program at Tahquitz High School is to place you in a position to obtain financial assistance, as well as encourage you to pursue a higher level of education. Awards with a variety of monetary values can provide assistance with tuition, lab fees, books or other basic needs for students beginning their post-high school education. Although we cannot guarantee that you will be a scholarship recipient, by completing and submitting your portfolio you will place yourself in contention to receive a variety of local and site monetary awards.

***Please turn your Senior Scholarship Portfolio in to the Counseling Office no later than January 13, 2017***

The portfolios will be released for review on that day. Please make sure that your portfolio is neat and that you have completed and included all of the required information. If you have any specific questions, please contact your counselor. Remember, this portfolio does not replace any separate application required by individual organizations. You should continue to pursue all scholarships available to you. Many are listed on the THS website.

Please complete ALL forms and information associated with the Senior Scholarship Portfolio. All forms must be computer generated. PLEASE REMEMBER TO SPELL CHECK EVERYTHING! Please submit 3 copies of your Senior Scholarship Portfolio.

Your completed Senior Scholarship Portfolio should include:

1. Application completed on the computer

2. Personal Statement/Autobiography (2-page maximum)

4. 2 Letters of Recommendation from teachers or outside contacts (i.e., coach)

5. Unofficial Transcript (most recent copy) with SAT/ACT scores [Very Important]

6. A wallet-sized picture of yourself on the front cover

7. Your name must be visible on the front of your portfolio

**DUE DATE: January 13, 2017**

**2016-2017**

Tahquitz High School

Local Scholarship

And

Awards Portfolio

**Student Name**

**2016-2017**

**Tahquitz High School Scholarship Portfolio**

**First Name:****Last Name:** **Student ID#:**

**Address:** **City:** **State:** **Zip Code:**

**List all Hemet Elementary Schools you attended:**

**List all Hemet Middle Schools you attended:**

**Cumulative GPA – Unweighted:** **Cumulative GPA – Weighted:**

**Use your highest scores to complete the following:**

**SAT Math:** **SAT Writing:** **SAT (total)** **ACT (total):**

**What college/university are you planning on applying to?**

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| 1st | 2nd | 3rd |
| 4th | 5th | 6th |

**What is your projected major?**

**What is your projected career path?**

**List your current class schedule and teachers:**

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| **Class/Teacher** | **Class/Teacher** |
| **1st** **/** | **4th** **/** |
| **2nd** **/** | **5th** **/** |
| **3rd** **/** | **6th** **/** |

**List your extracurricular activities** (select up to 8 of your most significant activities. List the most recent first)

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| **Clubs, Athletic or Academic Team** | **Grade(s)** | **Role (i.e. Member, Officer, Team Leader etc...)** |
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**Community Service Activities** (volunteer work done in the community. List most recent first.):

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| **Organization Name** | **Hours** | **Focus of Service** |
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**Total hours of community service:**

**Achievements and Awards** (select up to 8 of your most significant awards. List most recent first):

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| **Award** | **Grade** | **Organization giving the award** |
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**Work Experience** (list most recent first):

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| **Employer Name** | **Grade(s)** | **Hours per week** | **Jos description** |
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**Family Information**

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| **Father’s(Guardian’s) Name:** | **Mother’s (Guardian’s) Name:** |
| **Father’s (Guradian’s) Occupation:** | **Mother’s (Guardian’s) Occupation:** |
| ***\*\*Family’s Adjusted Gross Income (or estimate for 2016 tax year): $***  ***\*\*If you choose not to provide this information, most scholarship committees will NOT be able to consider the applicant for scholarships that are NEED BASED.***  **We choose not to disclose this information and wish to be considered for Merit-Based award and scholarships only.** | |
| **Number of family members dependent on the income specified above:** | |
| **Parent (Guardian’s) Signature X** | |

**Do you have a plan in place to help you finance your first year of college?**

**Yes**  **No**

**If yes, please briefly explain your plan:**

**List all of your family members currently enrolled in college:**

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| --- | --- |
| **Name** | **College** |
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***I,******, the parent/guardian of*** ***, authorize Tahquitz High School to make my student’s scholarship portfolio available to all appropriate local agencies for review, in consideration for scholarships and awards. I understand that participation in the Tahquitz High School Local Scholarship Program is voluntary, that school staff members can make NO guarantees as to the applicants’ possible winnings, nor can they be responsible for the final decisions of participating scholarship committees.***

**Parent Signature X\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**I hereby declare that I have completed all statements and information on this application correctly and to the best of my knowledge.**

**Student Signature X\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Personal Statement/Autobiography**

Your portfolio will need to include a **one-two page personal statement/autobiography** written by you. Your personal statement/autobiography should include following:

* Details about your background.
* Your career goals and educational plans.
* Highlights of your accomplishments in high school
* Provide your readers with insight into your interests, personality, aspirations for the future and the many reasons why you would be a worthy candidate for their financial assistance

***Your essay MUST be typed, double spaced and have 12 -point font.***

***Be sure that your essay is free of typographical, spelling and punctuation errors.***

***Your essay should be grammatically correct and representative of high school level writing.***

***It is highly recommended that have an educated, unbiased person proofread and critique your essay before you submit it.***

**Student:**

When requesting a letter, be sure to:

♦ Fill out the student information worksheet as completely as possible. Not all sections will apply to you, so be sure to note N/A on any sections that do no apply.

♦ Plan ahead to meet your deadline! Give this to the teacher at least 2-3 weeks before the day you will need it.

♦ Make a personal contact! Do not assume that the letter will be written if you put this form in the teacher’s mailbox.

♦ If you want the teacher to mail the letter, be sure to provide him/her with an addressed, stamped envelope.

**DO NOT ASK FOR A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION THE DAY BEFORE YOU NEED IT**

**A Note to the Faculty**

The “Student Information” is a list of criteria which you may wish to consider in your evaluation of this student: scholastic ability, motivation, reaction to criticism, initiative, emotional stability, personality, integrity, cooperation, maturity, and leadership qualities.

You may also wish to include: examples or anecdotes to illustrate character or judgments of the student; input from other faculty members; the reason why this particular school or position is a good match for this student; your school phone number for further information.

**Letter of Recommendation Instructions**

Student’s Name:

Telephone #:

Unofficial Class Rank (if available):

Unweighted GPA:

This letter is to be addressed to:

My Academic Career/Goals:

Awards, Honors, and Academic Achievements:

Special Interests:

School Athletics, Clubs and Service Organizations:

Non-School Activities (church, community, employment, etc.)

What do you see as your strengths, attitudes, and/or skills which will help you to be successful in the completions of your post high school plans

In the space below, tell us about your family. Include parents’ occupations, number of siblings, and how many students in your family are currently attending college. (You may use a separate sheet of paper if you need to.)