



Sharyland ISD Education Foundation has proudly entered in to a partnership with Stars Scholarship Fund to become the official administrator of the Sharyland ISD Education Foundation scholarship funds.

The decision for this partnership was based on the potential of having a greater impact on our Sharyland ISD students and staff. Stars Scholarship Fund has long standing partnerships with colleges and universities throughout the state and has an established application system where every applicant is reviewed and considered via a quantitative, objective and fair selection process.

Through this partnership, Stars Scholarship Fund has committed to apply 100% of the Sharyland ISD Education Foundation funds to Sharyland ISD students (Class of 2019) and Sharyland ISD staff.

## What does this partnership mean to Sharyland students?

- The Class of 2019 students who have completed a minimum of 12 college credit hours via dualenrollment courses and have maintained a minimum of a cumulative 2.7 GPA in those college hours will qualify for the scholarship. Official College transcripts are required (not high school transcripts)
- Students can apply online starting now through March 29, 2019 at 5pm CST. All required documents must be submitted by the deadline.
- Recipients will be notified via the Stars Scholarship Fund online system and will be recognized at both your school's Award Ceremony and at the May Sharyland ISD Board of Directors meeting.
- Scholarship funds will now be disbursed directly to your college/university in Fall 2019 and Spring 2020.
- Scholarship amounts will now range from \$1,400 to \$4,000 depending on your college/university. This
  will double (or triple in some cases) the scholarship offers previously awarded by Sharyland ISD
  Education Foundation.
- If you are not selected as a recipient through this partnership with Sharyland ISD Education Foundation, your application will continue through the Stars Scholarship Fund application cycle, where you have another opportunity for a scholarship to be awarded in June/July.
- After the 2019/2020 cycle, every student meeting criteria can continue to apply for the Stars Scholarship ever year while enrolled in a degree seeking program at an accredited college or university. Stars Scholarship Fund application cycle opens January 1<sup>st</sup> of each year and is open to students of all ages, gender, ethnicities and backgrounds.

## What does this partnership mean to Sharyland staff?

- Sharyland ISD staff who will be enrolled in a degree seeking program at an accredited college or university for the 2019-2020 academic year can apply.
- Staff can apply online starting now through March 29, 2019 at 5pm CST. All required documents must be submitted by the deadline. When applying, please make sure you indicate you are an employee of Sharyland ISD in Section 2 of the application.
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- Scholarship amounts will now range from \$1,400 to \$4,000 depending on your college/university. This will double (or triple in some cases) the scholarship offers previously awarded by Sharyland Education Foundation.
- If you are not selected as a recipient through this partnership with Sharyland Education Foundation, your application will continue through the Stars Scholarship Fund application cycle, where you have another opportunity for a scholarship to be awarded in June/July. Stars Scholarship Fund assists student of all fields of students through undergraduate, graduate and doctoral programs.
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## **About Stars Scholarship Fund**

Stars Scholarship Fund is a non-profit organization committed to promoting access to and success in higher education for all students in our community. Based in McAllen, Texas, Stars offers scholarships to students from south and west Texas who are dedicated to completing a degree at an accredited college or university. To date, Stars Scholarship Fund has awarded \$31.9 million in scholarships to over 15,400 students since inception.

Apply Online now through March 29, 2019 at 5pm CST www.starsscholarship.og

Scholarship Criteria <a href="https://www.starsscholarship.org/stars/scholarships/criteria">https://www.starsscholarship.org/stars/scholarships/criteria</a>

Help with Required Documents <a href="https://www.starsscholarship.org/stars/application/requiredpre">https://www.starsscholarship.org/stars/application/requiredpre</a>

Questions?

## **APPLY ONLINE STARTING 1/1**DEADLINE IS 3/29 @ 5PM CST



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