



# *Early Independent School District*

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January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015

Dear Parent,

We, at Early High School, are excited to share the following great news:

One senior from the class of 2015 will be awarded the Janice & Elaine Scholarship, which pays the full cost of a state school in Texas and includes tuition, fees, books, dorm, and meal plan for up to ten semesters.

Please read the attached information and make plans for your child to submit an application by **April 15, 2015** if your family meets the eligibility requirements. We are available to help you and your child with the application process.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Kent, Principal  
Early High School



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## Janice & Elaine Scholarship

The Janice & Elaine Scholarship is a gift from the estate of Weldon Jack McClary and his family. Mr. McClary attended Early ISD from 1947 to 1958 and was a yell leader for the Early Longhorns. He served his country by joining the U.S. Armed Services and then became a CPA with International Petroleum Service Organization, traveling around the world gaining knowledge, experience, and success.

The scholarship is to be presented to a senior at Early High School who expects to graduate from a Texas state school with a degree or certification. This scholarship renews each semester and requires the applicant to submit very specific information to the high school in order for the funds to be disbursed. Paying for the full cost of the student's tuition, fees, books, dorm, and meal plan, the scholarship monies are to be paid directly to the state college of choice.

If, for any reason, the recipient is not able to fulfill the requirements set forth in the application, a second person deemed worthy of receiving the award will be notified. The Janice & Elaine Scholarship will be funded and offered as long as funds are available. The recipient will be chosen by a committee made up of EHS professional staff members.

### Eligibility Requirements

- Must be a 2014-2015 graduating senior
- Must be enrolling in an undergraduate degree or certification program at an eligible institution (includes technical schools and associates degree programs)
- Must have a high school GPA of 2.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale
- Must show leadership, good character, & citizenship
- Must have no referrals for violation of school policy regarding drugs, alcohol, or violence
- Must demonstrate financial need (Household income cannot exceed twice the poverty level.) See chart below:

Household size	Annual Income Cap for Eligibility
1	\$23,340
2	\$31,460
3	\$39,580
4	\$47,700
5	\$55,820
6	\$63,940
7	\$72,060
8	\$80,180
Each additional family member, add	+\$4060



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## **Renewal Requirements**

- Must be a fulltime student once in college, enrolled in 12 hours of classes or more
- Must maintain a college GPA of 2.5 or higher (on a 4.0 scale)
- Must complete a degree or certification in ten long semesters or sooner (funding ends after ten semesters, not including summer sessions)
- Must submit a transcript and degree plan at the end of each college semester before funds can be distributed for the next semester

Note: If the scholarship recipient's cumulative college GPA falls below 2.5 or if the recipient fails to register as a fulltime student, he or she will be placed on probation for one semester to correct the issues. After one semester of probation, remaining issues will cause revocation of allotted funds.

## **Application Requirements**

- Fill out all portions of the application completely, according to the instructions, and submit by the **April 15<sup>th</sup>** deadline.
- Provide three completed recommendation forms (two from EISD educators, one personal)
- Provide a copy of high school transcript
- Provide a copy of the first page of parents' or guardians' 2014 federal tax return (1040, 1040A, 1040EZ, or 1099 SSA- Social Security Tax Form)
- Turn in the completed application (including all forms) to Mrs. Bearden by the end of the school day on **April 15<sup>th</sup>**.

Note: Incomplete applications will not be considered. All information contained within the application and forms will remain confidential.



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## **Janice & Elaine Scholarship Application**

### **Section I**

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

ACT and/or SAT scores:            ACT \_\_\_\_\_            SAT \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of family members living at home            \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of family members currently attending college            \_\_\_\_\_

University, Junior College, or Tech School planning on attending            \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied to the school listed above?            \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted to the school listed above?            \_\_\_\_\_

Career Goal \_\_\_\_\_

Have you filled out an application for federal financial aid?            \_\_\_\_\_

### **Section II (Answer on this page or submit on a separate document)**

Extracurricular Activities, Organizations, & Clubs (List, include years of involvement, and offices held)



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Honors, Awards, Scholarships Received (include dollar amount of any scholarships)

Community Involvement or other Activities Outside of School



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## **Section III**

In an essay of at least 200 words, explain in your own words why you need this scholarship in order to attend college, a university, or technical school, and how it would impact your life and others.

This essay must be typed and submitted with the application packet. If you need access to a computer, there are multiple labs available for your use before school, during school (including lunchtime) and after school.

## **Section IV**

Have the enclosed recommendation forms completed by three adults of your choice. Two must be EISD educators and one is personal. Instruct the people filling out your forms to place it in an envelope, seal it, and sign their name across the seal. They are then to return it to you and you will include it in your application packet. If you do not have access to envelopes, see Mrs. Whitley.

## **Checklist- For your use to ensure all requirements of the application process are met**

Check each item as you enclose it in your packet to turn in:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Application Section I
- \_\_\_\_\_ Application Section II
- \_\_\_\_\_ Essay
- \_\_\_\_\_ Three Recommendation Forms in Sealed, Signed Envelopes
- \_\_\_\_\_ Tax Paperwork
- \_\_\_\_\_ Transcript



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## Recommendation Form for Janice & Elaine Scholarship

Name of Scholarship Applicant \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of person providing information \_\_\_\_\_

On a scale of one to five, with one being the weakest and five being the strongest, please rate the candidate in the following categories:

Initiative & Motivation \_\_\_\_\_

Service to Others \_\_\_\_\_

Work Ethic \_\_\_\_\_

Deadline Oriented \_\_\_\_\_

Written Communication \_\_\_\_\_

Leadership Capacity \_\_\_\_\_

Oral Communication \_\_\_\_\_

Trustworthiness \_\_\_\_\_

Maturity \_\_\_\_\_

Other information you would like to include about the candidate (Continue on back if needed)



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