2016 MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
APPLICATION FORM

OVERVIEW & ELIGIBILITY

The East Montgomery County Scholarship Foundation (EMCSF) is proud to offer a $500 merit-based college scholarship available to deserving students who plan to continue their college education. The scholarship will be awarded to students who demonstrate academic excellence, leadership and service, and financial need.

To be eligible for the EMCSF Merit Scholarship, the applicant:

☐ Must have a cumulative college-level GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale for all coursework completed, regardless of institution attended. If the student has attended more than one school, transcripts may be recalculated to determine the cumulative GPA for all college-level coursework taken. GPA is evaluated at the point of application.
☐ Must have a minimum of 48 semester college-level credits completed by December 31, 2015.
☐ Must be a previous recipient of EMCID/East Montgomery County Scholarship Foundation funding.
☐ Must demonstrate leadership and service.
☐ Must demonstrate financial need.

A completed Scholarship Application, received no later than March 1, 2016, will include the following:

☐ Completed application form,
☐ An official copy of the student’s most recent college transcript, and
☐ A 400 to 500 word typed essay on the topic described in Section III.

Please go to www.emctx.com/scholarships or contact Tara Martin, Office Administrator, at 281.354.4419 with any questions.

Applications for the EMCSF Merit Scholarship will be accepted only between February 1 and March 1 each year. You may drop off or mail your completed application form and documents, to be received no later than March 1, 2016, to the address below:

Drop off:  
East Montgomery County Scholarship Foundation  
c/o East Montgomery County Improvement District  
21575 U.S. Highway 59, Suite 200  
New Caney, TX 77357

Mail to:  
East Montgomery County Scholarship Foundation  
c/o East Montgomery County Improvement District  
P.O. Box 1019  
New Caney, TX 77357-1019
SECTION I: PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name: ___________________________________________________________

Home Address: ___________________________________________ City, State, Zip: __________________________

College Address: ___________________________________________ City, State, Zip: __________________________

Phone (best reached at): ___________________________ Email: __________________________________________

Facebook/Twitter/social media pages/email: __________________________________________________________

Date of Birth: ___________________________ Place of Birth: ___________________________ Gender: ___________

Are you a U.S. Citizen? ☐ Yes ☐ No

High School Graduation Date/Place: __________________________________________

Parent(s) Name(s): ________________________________________________________________

Address: ___________________________________________ City, State, Zip: __________________________

Phone: __________________________________________________________________________

SECTION II: COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY PLANS

Educational institution at which you wish to use your scholarship: __________________________

Degree being pursued: __________________________________________

Major: ___________________________________________ Minor (if applicable): __________________________

Number of college credits earned to date: _________ Number of credits required for graduation: _______

Expected Graduation date: ___________________________ Cumulative GPA: __________________________

Career goals: __________________________________________________________________________

Colleges and universities attended, dates of attendance, and degree (if applicable). Attach all transcripts:

________________________________________________________________________________________

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PLEASE NOTE: You may substitute or include separate sheets of paper for any or all of the sections that follow (Sections III to VI) as long as the information is clearly labeled and structured like the tables.

SECTION III: ESSAY

The essay should be 400-500 words on a separate sheet(s) of paper typed and double spaced. Describe how your previous receipt of Foundation funds has impacted your college experience. If you are selected as a recipient of the Merit Scholarship, how will this facilitate your continued success in college?

SECTION IV: HONORS, AWARDS & ACTIVITIES

Please list below all scholastic, extra-curricular, civic awards and honors you have earned. Clearly state the nature of the award, the grantor, the purpose and year.

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<th>Award Name</th>
<th>Name of Grantor</th>
<th>Purpose/Nature of Award</th>
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List clubs, sports and activities that you have participated in at college, starting with the most recent. If necessary, attach a separate sheet of paper structured identically to the table below. Please list approximate total hours served, not average hours per week.

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<th>Type of Activity</th>
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SECTION V: LEADERSHIP

List any leadership roles. Please note how these roles will help you through college and in your career. You must state the name of the organization, years involved, and number of hours committed to the organization per year. Please list approximate total hours served, not average hours per week. (Add additional pages if necessary).

EXAMPLE

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<th>Organization</th>
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<th>Leadership Role(s)</th>
<th>Benefits</th>
<th>Hours/Yr</th>
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<td>UH Student Government</td>
<td>2013, 2014</td>
<td>Attend meetings, member of a committee that researched and presented a new freshmen residency policy</td>
<td>Learned to work with others on a team and create policy that affects future students</td>
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SECTION VI: STUDENT’S EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

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<th>Position</th>
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SECTION VII: FAMILY FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Family’s Adjusted Gross Income (IRS 1040): □ $0 - $24,999 □ $25,000 - $49,999 □ $50,000 - $74,999 □ $75,000 - $99,999 □ $100,000 +

Number of siblings living at home:_______  Ages of siblings:___________________________________________________________

Number of siblings attending college:_______

PROJECTED EXPENDITURES (FOR ONE YEAR OF COLLEGE)

The Cost of Attendance can usually be found on the college’s financial aid website.

- Tuition $__________
- Room and board (if applicable) $__________
- Books and supplies $__________
- Incidental expenses $__________
- Personal expenses (e.g. clothing, gas) $__________
- **Total Estimated Expenses** $__________

SECTION VIII: SIGNATURE

I certify that all of the information I have provided to the EMCSF in connection with this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Upon request, I agree to provide the EMCSF any additional information that may verify the accuracy of such information. I agree that all documents submitted as part of this application must be authentic and that if I purposely give false or misleading information, I will be disqualified. Furthermore, I acknowledge that certain information that I have provided to the EMCSF may be subject to the Texas Public Information Act and, thereby, available to the general public upon request. Furthermore, I give the EMCSF permission to use my name and any other information contained within the application or provided to the EMCSF in connection with this application (except for certain financial information that is excepted from disclosure under the TPIA) for advertising, promotional and publicity purposes without consent or compensation. I hereby hold the EMCSF and the East Montgomery County Improvement District harmless from and against any and all claims, damages, costs, expenses and liability arising out of or in any way related to the application for and/or receipt of scholarship funds from the EMCSF.

Applicant Signature: ___________________________ Date:_____________

Applicant Printed Name: ___________________________