

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
TEXAS STATE COUNCIL
EDUCATIONAL GRANT PROGRAMS
2019



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Giacomo R. Leone, Chairman

Individual Educational Grants

The Texas State Council will award at least one \$1,000 Educational Grant per diocese and two more \$1,000 Educational Grants to members of the Columbian Squires. The total number of grants for each Diocese will be determined using a formula based on the number of Knights in each Diocese.

Applications for these grants are due March 1, 2019. Winners will be announced after the State Convention.

Who Is Eligible for the Individual Educational Grant?

- An applicant must be a Knight of Columbus member in good standing of a council **located in Texas**, his wife, son or daughter. A granddaughter or grandson of a member in good standing in a council in Texas may apply if their father is not a Knight or is not in good standing. Descendants of deceased members or grandfathers who were in good standing are also eligible. *Any graduating senior of a Catholic High School in Texas is eligible when sponsored by a local Council in Texas – even when the student's parent or grandparent is not a Knight.*
- Educational Grant money is to be used for education in a University, College, Junior College, Technical School, Business School or Seminary.
- The application must be **complete and received on time**.
- The sponsoring Council's Supreme and State **per-capita must be paid in full** and the Council may **not be suspended** by the Supreme Council.
- Guidelines for the Educational Grant Application are found in the application:
 - at the Texas State Web Site www.tkofc.org
 - in the Star Guide
 - from your District Deputy
 - by email from Educational Grant Chairman at giacleone575@gmail.com

The formula for determining numbers of grants is one per Diocese, plus one additional grant for reaching each increment of 7,500 Knights in the Diocese as of July 1 each year.

GRANT APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY MARCH 1 OF THE GRANT YEAR.

GUIDELINES:

1. Applicant must meet all qualifications for entry into, and be accepted by, an institution of learning as defined in guideline 2 below.
2. The educational Grant money must pay for education in a University, College, Junior College, Technical School, Business School or Seminary of the student's choice. The Educational Grant money will be paid to the institution of the student's choice upon written confirmation of the student's enrollment at the institution.
3. An applicant must be a Knight of Columbus member in good standing of a council **located in Texas**, his wife, son or daughter. A granddaughter or grandson of a member in good standing in a council in Texas may apply if their father is not a Knight or is not in good standing. Descendants of deceased members or grandfathers who were in good standing are also eligible. Any graduating senior of a Catholic High School in Texas is eligible when sponsored by a local Council in Texas – even when the student's parent or grandparent is not a Knight.***
4. The Texas State Council Educational Grant Committee will recommend the Educational Grant winners to the State Convention for approval. The winners will be announced after the Annual Texas State Council Knights of Columbus Convention.
5. **Columbian Squires:** The late **Robert E Schmidt** is honored by having a maximum of two Education Grants each year made available to the **Columbian Squires** who are graduating this fraternal year. Selection of the possible Squire winners will be done in the same manner as the general selection of the other application winners.
6. The ***application form and all supporting materials*** must be correctly completed, and ***received*** by March 1 of the Grant Year. All applicants will be notified by e-mail of the status of her/his application.
7. The sponsoring Council's Supreme and State **per capita statements must be paid in full** as attested by the Council's Grand Knight to validate the applicant's application.
8. After the Texas Knights of Columbus annual State Convention, the winners will be notified by the Texas State Council Office or the Educational Grant Committee.

The application is available as **fillable forms** on the website: tkofc.org and submitted via email to giacleone575@gmail.com .

Your essay may also be scanned and submitted in **pdf** format.

All materials should be submitted in one email, the possible exception is transcripts.

Please DO NOT submit jpeg or photo formats.

Use only the 2019 Form. Others will not be acceptable and will have to be refiled.

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PART 1: To be completed by ALL APPLICANTS.

Name _____, _____, _____
(LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE)

Address _____
Street City State Zip

Home Phone _____ Cell _____ email _____

Diocese of Residence _____

I hereby make application for a Knights of Columbus Texas State Council Educational Grant in the amount of \$1,000 to be used to partially support me while attending the School of _____ (Example : Education; Science; Trade; Liberal Arts, etc.) at the following institution _____ (Example: Name of Institution; University; College; Trade or Technical School, Seminary etc.) For the Term _____ (Example: Fall 2019)

*****Only If not related to a Texas Knight**, indicate the Catholic High School attended. _____
(Name) (City)

Applicant's relationship eligibility is Through: Self / Father / Grandfather _____ is a member of Council _____
(Circle one)

Sponsoring Texas Council Name _____ Location _____ Diocese _____

Everyone complete FAMILY SECTION below:

Family Information: Number and ages of brothers living at home # _____ Ages _____

Number and ages of sisters living at home # _____ Ages _____

If applying for self and/or married, enter number and ages of children living at home _____

Father/parent/grandfather/or your occupation: _____ company _____
(Circle one)

Mother/parent/spouse occupation: (Circle one) _____ company _____

PART 2 - Additional TO BE COMPLETED BY COLUMBIAN SQUIRE APPLICANTS ONLY: Columbian Circle Number _____

City _____ Diocese _____ Sponsoring Council No. _____

PART 3 - Signature to be completed by ALL APPLICANTS.

I declare upon my honor that **all the** statements, and all attachments are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

(Written signature of applicant) (Date)

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PART 4: ALL APPLICANTS

Forward a copy of your high school transcript, or if you are already in college, a copy of your current college transcript to the address below, or a scanned copy to the email below.

PART 5: ALL APPLICANTS: This is a need based Grant, *not* a scholarship. Attach an essay in which you state, in your own words (**250 word maximum**) why you need this grant, and how it will help you to reach your educational/life, long and short term goals.

TYPE or clearly PRINT your name at the top of the page, and sign the essay at THE BOTTOM OF YOUR ESSAY PAGE.

PART 6: All APPLICANTS: CONFIRMATION OF PER-CAPITA PAYMENT AND GOOD STANDING OF SPONSORING COUNCIL:

Council # _____ is sponsoring _____ and is current in its per-capita,

Name of Applicant

and the applicant is sponsored by a Knight, (or Council) in good standing as attested by the Grand Knight of

Council # _____ , _____ date
Signature of Grand Knight

Part 7: Additional for SQUIRE APPLICANTS ONLY: SQUIRE CONFIRMATION (A Columbian Squire Applicant must have the Grand Knight complete the following Statement.

I, _____, of Council # _____ certify that the applicant,
(Signature of Grand Knight)

_____ is an active member of Circle # _____ date
(Squire applicant's name)

PART 8: This Educational Grant application and all other required items must be received no later than March 1, 2019. Submit all materials either by:

scanned copies emailed to giacleone575@gmail.com : [Please scan all documents into 1 pdf document if possible.]

or send by postal mail or other carriers that guarantee receipt by March 1, 2019, to the address below.

Giacomo R. Leone,
Chair, Educational Grant Committee
Texas State Council Knights of Columbus
1221 Anise Drive
Austin, TX 78741-7528

You will be notified by email or a phone call of your application receipt and of its status when received.

PLEASE REMEMBER: After the Texas knights of Columbus Annual State Convention in the spring, the winners will be notified by the Texas State Council Office and/or the Educational Grant Committee

Applicant's Check List

This is a check list to help ensure that you are meeting all requirements. **This is NOT PART OF THE APPLICATION.**

Please note: Squires fill in every "ALL" section PLUS Sections 2 and 7.

SECTION	WHO	DATE SENT	MAIL OR PDF SCAN	DONE	MISC
1 Personal Information and Home Diocese	ALL				
2 Columbian Squires	Additional Squire applicants ONLY				
3 Hand Signature	ALL				
4 Transcript(s)	ALL				
5 NEED ESSAY 250 words max	ALL				
6 Per-capita endorsement hand signed	ALL				
7 Squire confirmation	Additional Squire Applicants ONLY				
8 Mailed In time to be received on time or Emailed	ALL Applicants				