

TVLC Scholarship Fund Guidelines

Purpose: The TVLC Scholarship Fund exists to provide financial assistance to individuals pursuing educational opportunities that align with our mission "To follow Jesus and share his love." This fund is designed to support members of our church community as they seek to grow academically, vocationally, and spiritually.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants should meet the following criteria to be considered for a scholarship:

- Be an active participant in the life of Tanque Verde Lutheran Church
- Be pursuing post-secondary education at an accredited institution (e.g., college, university, trade school, seminary) or lay ministry program.
- Demonstrate a commitment to living out their faith through service, leadership, or involvement in the church and community.
- Submit a completed application by the stated deadline.

Application Process

To apply for the TVLC Scholarship Fund, applicants must:

- Complete the official scholarship application form.
- Share a personal statement in 500-750 words introducing yourself and describing your faith journey, educational goals, and how you intend to use your education to continue to follow Jesus and share His love.
- Provide at least one letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, coach, or mentor.
- Submit proof of enrollment or acceptance to an accredited institution.

Selection Criteria

Applications will be evaluated based on the following factors:

- Financial need
- Demonstrated commitment to faith and service.
- Clarity of educational and vocational goals.
- Strength of references and personal statement.

Award Amounts and Distribution

- Scholarship amounts may vary based on available funds and the number of qualified applicants.
- Annual disbursements will be made up to 7 percent of the fund balance annually, with the intention of preserving the fund's principal
- Funds will be disbursed directly to the educational institution on behalf of the recipient unless otherwise approved by the scholarship committee.

Scholarship recipients are encouraged to:

- Continue active participation in Tanque Verde Lutheran Church or another ministry if attending school elsewhere.
- Share periodic updates on their educational progress with the church community.
- Use their education to make a positive impact in their community and the world.

Review and Renewal Process

- Scholarships are awarded on a one-time basis; however, recipients may reapply each year if they remain eligible.
- The scholarship committee will consist of the pastoral staff, the TVLC student ministry leader, and the council treasurer. They will review all applications and make award decisions based on established criteria.

Deadline and Notification

- Deadlines will be determined annually and announced in TVLC communications.

Tanque Verde Lutheran Church Scholarship Application

Applicant Information

Full Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Name (if applicable): _____

Educational Information

Current School/Institution: _____

Current Grade Level or Year of Study: _____

Planned School/Institution for Next Year: _____

Intended Major/Field of Study: _____

Personal Statement

Share a personal statement in 500-750 words introducing yourself and describing your faith journey, educational goals, and how you intend to use your education to continue to follow Jesus and share His love.

(Attach on a separate sheet)

Letter of Recommendation

Please submit a letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, coach, or mentor.

Academic Record

Please include a copy of your most recent transcript or report card.

Financial Need

If you would like to be considered based on financial need, please provide a brief statement outlining your circumstances.

Certification and Signature

I certify that the information provided in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that providing false information may result in disqualification from scholarship consideration.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (if under 18): _____ Date: _____

Submission Instructions

Please submit this completed application along with all supporting documents to the church office. Incomplete applications may not be considered. For questions, please contact one of the TVLC pastors.