## Hillsboro Education Association Scholarship GUIDELINES AND ELIGIBILITY

As adopted with amendments by the Executive Board on August 17, 2016; adopted by the Representative Council on September 21, 2016; to become effective immediately.

- 1. HEA has budgeted \$2,000.00 for scholarships. Two \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded effective upon adoption.
- 2. There will be two scholarship types for which an applicant may apply. Applicant must designate for which scholarship they are applying. One scholarship will be awarded to a student entering and completing classes at an *accredited* public or private four-year college or university in the following fall. The second scholarship will be awarded to a student entering and completing classes at an *accredited* community college or trade school in the following fall. If no student applies in one of the categories, we may consider a second scholarship in the other category.
- 3. Applicant must be the legally dependent child of an active HEA Member with at least three years of active membership. If the Active Member has been in the District fewer than three years and has been an Active Member the entire time, they would also qualify.
- 4. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior who will be enrolled as a full-time student at an *accredited* four-year college, university, community college, or trade school.
- 5. Primary criteria for selection of scholarship recipient will be scholastic achievement and personal characteristics 10 points each. Secondary criteria will be contributions to school and outside of school (may include church related activities but will not be listed as such on the application) 10 points for in-school and out-of-school combined. Financial need will be considered only as a tie breaker.
- 6. Application will be due to the Scholarship Committee Chairman by 4:30 p.m. on the last student contact day before Spring Break.
- 7. One counselor recommendation and one personal recommendation will be required. The personal recommendation will not include financial information. If more recommendations are submitted, only the first one will be read.
- 8. The scholarship will be awarded by check at the beginning of the recipient's second term or semester, if he/she has attained at least a 2.25 GPA.
- 9. Information about the scholarship will be in the Association newsletter beginning in January.
- 10. The notification letter to the recipient will include more specific information about how to get the money. (where, when to send grades, etc.)
- 11. The HEA President will appoint five people to the Scholarship Committee, including the chairman. He/she will try to get representatives from high school, middle school and elementary. A committee member can not have a child who will be an applicant.
- 12. Committee appointments will be for two years, except in the first year, when some will be for only one year. Committee members may be reappointed for successive terms.
- 13. Parents of former recipients may be invited to serve on the committee the following year but will not be required to do so.
- 14. Efforts will be made to keep student names/applications anonymous during the selection process.
- 15. Selection and notification will occur by the third week in May.