FUTURE TEACHER SCHOLARSHIP

ELIGIBILITY
Students who have completed two years (must be of junior standing or obtain junior standing during the first semesters the scholarship is received or a minimum of 60 hours) in any accredited two or four year college in Kansas are eligible to apply for the scholarship.

QUALIFICATIONS
To be eligible for the scholarship, a student will show need for assistance, have high moral and social standards, achieve a high scholastic record, 3.0 GPA, show special aptitude for teaching, possess a pleasing personality, be a resident of Kansas, and indicate an intention of teaching in the schools of Kansas.

NUMBERS
Scholarships will be awarded each year as directed by Kansas PTA Bylaws and the Kansas PTA Policy and Practices permit.

AMOUNT
The amount of the scholarship will be $800 for the year. (Scholarships may be renewed for an additional year, but students must reapply.)

HOW PAID
The scholarships will be paid in two installments of $400 each (August and January) directly to the school.

ASSURANCE OF FUNDS
Scholarships awarded are made for the length of time, not to exceed two years the student needs to complete the Bachelor of Science or Bachelor of Arts in Education degree program.

STIPULATION
These scholarships are in the form of loans, but instead of being returned in money, they are repaid by teaching immediately after graduation, in a public school in Kansas accredited by the Kansas State Board of Education, for a period of time equal to the number of semesters the award is received. If the student does not teach in an accredited public school in Kansas, the loan must be repaid to the Kansas Congress of Parents and Teachers with interest at 5% per annum (interest on $400 would be $20.00, interest on $500 would be $25, etc.) starting November 1, after graduation.

INTERRUPTED TRAINING OR TEACHING
Unforeseen necessity for lengthy absence in training courses or required teaching period such as military service, illness, or accident must be communicated to the Kansas PTA.

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♦ A resource for parents
♦ A strong advocate for public education
APPROVED

Applicant must select for his/her teacher education, a college or university in Kansas accredited by the North Central Association/The Higher Learning Commission, Kansas State Board of Education or the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education.

HOW TO APPLY

Application forms must be obtained from the college or university the student is attending or plans to attend or the Kansas PTA Office or from the Kansas PTA website, www.kansaspta.org. These forms seek information on personal history, college transcript, in addition to a recommendation by a faculty member of the Department of Education, and a personal letter from the applicant stating reasons for desiring to become a teacher. The completed application, recommendation letter, and forms FTS-3, personal letter, and college transcript of grades must be forwarded to the Kansas Congress of Parents and Teachers by March 15.

APPLICATION DUE

ALL APPLICATIONS must be postmarked by March 15.

NOTIFICATION

All applicants will be notified of acceptance or rejection of their application by the Kansas Congress of Parents and Teachers on or before May 25.

HOW FINANCED

The Future Teachers Scholarship project is financed by:
(1) Honorary Life Memberships in the Kansas PTA
(2) Scholarship gifts from individuals, associations, councils, or the State PTA.
(3) Wall of Fame – displayed at the State Convention

APPLICATIONS

(1) Application form completely filled out, signed, a photograph (optional) of the applicant.
(2) Official college transcript of grades
(3) A letter of recommendation AND the completed recommendation for the Future Teacher Scholarship (form FTS-3) from a faculty member of the Department of Education or college.
(4) Applicant’s Personal letter.
(5) All documents of application for scholarship must be postmarked not later than March 15.

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE THE ABOVE ITEMS IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED