



Cleveland Gilcrease Scholarship Application

Purpose

This scholarship was established in 2011 in recognition of a profound community volunteer, Coach Cleveland Gilcrease. He has selflessly given his time and guidance to the youth of Corpus Christi, encouraging them to become better citizens and tennis players. Coach Gilcrease epitomizes the mission statement of Tennis Success, Inc. (TSI) which is to enrich the lives of youth and equip them to serve the community by providing tennis, education and healthy living programs.

Tennis Success, Inc. (TSI) awards Cleveland Gilcrease Scholarships to qualifying TSI participants graduating from high school who are planning to attend college and to former TSI participants currently attending college.

Scholarships are awarded per semester for full-time students (defined as 12 or more semester credit hours) in the amount of \$750 and for part-time students (defined as 6-11 semester credit hours) in the amount of \$375. In addition, those students who achieve a semester GPA of 3.0 or higher as a full-time student are eligible to receive a \$250 bonus. Recipients are determined by TSI annual scholarship application criteria administered by the TSI scholarship committee. The deadline for high school seniors to apply is two weeks before the annual Party-at-the-Net fundraiser. The recipients will be announced at the fundraiser.

Scholarship money distribution is limited to five academic years or 120 credit hours, whichever occurs first, for both full-time and part-time students who maintain a 2.0 GPA the previous semester.

Student success is of utmost importance and contact with the scholarship committee is encouraged whenever a need arises.

Eligibility to Apply

- Applicant must be a current or former TSI student who has participated in TSI for at least one complete academic school year and attended at least 50% of the practices during their senior year.
- For continuing scholarships, past recipients will be notified by the scholarship committee of the submission deadlines. Unofficial transcripts of the fall semester need to be submitted to the committee to receive money for the spring semester. Sealed official transcripts **MUST** be mailed from the colleges to TSI after the spring semester in order to be eligible for continued support for the fall semester. No application or paperwork is needed.
- If a student fails to meet the minimum requirements for the semester, he/she must visit with the scholarship committee and identify what caused the poor performance and what will be done to correct it. The student will be placed on probation for the upcoming semester. Should the student fail to meet the minimum requirements a second consecutive semester, he/she will not be eligible to receive a scholarship for one year.

- If a student drops out of school and later decides to return to college, this student will be eligible to re-apply after 12 calendar months of dropping out of school.
- Eligibility to apply is not limited only to graduating high school seniors; those who entered the military or pursued other work options who meet the requirements listed above are encouraged to apply should they decided to enter college.
- Students attending college on a full scholarship are not eligible.

Application

- Pick up an application from the Education Room of TSI.
- Download an application from the TSI website: mytennissuccess.com

How to Submit an Application

- Complete and sign the application form.
- Attach the following documents to the application (high school seniors only):
 - 1.) Current high school academic transcript
 - 2.) Two letters of recommendation (non-TSI related staff)
 - 3.) Typed personal essay of 500 words or more, describing how tennis and/or TSI has influenced your life and your decision to attend college
 - 4.) Official academic transcript after completion of the spring semester
- Attach the following documents to the application (first time applicants who did not apply during their senior year of high school):
 - 1.) Last official academic transcript
 - 2.) Two letters of recommendations (non-TSI related staff)
 - 3.) Typed personal essay of 500 words or more, describing how tennis and/or TSI has influenced your life and your decision to attend college
- Deliver the application with all the required attachments to TSI no later than two weeks before the annual Party-at-the Net fundraiser.

Mailing address: Tennis Success, Inc.
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Corpus Christi, Texas 78467

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Cleveland Gilcrease Scholarship Application Form

Personal Information

Name: _____ Cell phone: () _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____

State _____ Zip Code: _____ Email: _____

Education

High school you are currently attending: _____

College or university you plan to attend: _____

Major: _____ Have you received a full scholarship? _____

Will you be a full-time (12 or more hours) or part-time (6-11 hours) student? _____

Will you be playing on the school tennis team? (not required for a scholarship) _____

Volunteer Work

Describe volunteer work you have performed in the community in the past 12 months:

Tennis Success

Number of years you have participated in TSI: _____ How many times a week did you

typically attend TSI during your senior year? _____

I certify that information in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant Name (print) _____ Signature _____

Date _____

