

TEXAS HEAD START ASSOCIATION



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION & INFORMATION

2010

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THSA Office
320 Teakwood
Victoria, TX 77901-4747

January 11, 2010

Dear Head Start Grantees:

It is with great pleasure that I announce the Texas Head Start Association 2010 scholarships. THSA scholarship application package is made available to deserving individuals who can benefit and achieve their goal of acquiring a higher education. Information on each type of scholarship that is awarded is on the following pages. **All applications for the THSA Scholarships must be mailed to the THSA Scholarship Committee, and postmarked no later than Friday, May 14, 2010.**

Please feel free to make as many copies of this scholarship application package to share with staff, parents and volunteers. Encourage all of our Head Start Family to become members of the Texas Head Start Association, so that they can be eligible to apply for a scholarship.

The following are the THSA Scholarship Submission Requirements:

1. Please read **all** directions and requirements before filling out application.
2. Applicants must submit 1 separate package for each scholarship application submitted.
3. No bound applications will be accepted.
4. Please use 8 1/2 x 11 white paper.
5. Please verify your THSA membership before submitting your application. (**Membership must be current**)
6. Please mail application(s) to: **THSA Scholarship Committee**
Attn: Cinithia Melton
3954 Gannon Lane,
Dallas, Texas 75237-2919.
7. All applications that do not meet the above requirements will be disqualified.
8. **All materials submitted will become the property of THSA and will not be returned.**

Also, Regional and National Scholarship information is forthcoming. Please feel free to apply for those scholarships also, and review the application carefully to ensure all criteria are met. Be aware that you must be a member of THSA in order to be eligible for Regional scholarship(s). **You must submit all documentation to the THSA Scholarship Committee. Please do not send directly to the regional or national committees because applications will be disqualified.**

For Regional consideration you must provide the following:

- **Grantee – NHSA Agency Membership.**
- **Grantee – Contributor to NHSA Dollar Per Child Campaign.**

Thank you for taking the time to review this package, and please ensure that you distribute copies as needed. If you have any questions, please contact Cinithia Melton, Scholarships & Awards Committee Chair @ 972-283-6427.

Sincerely,
Joyce Hyak
THSA President

TEXAS HEAD START ASSOCIATION

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SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS APPLICATION FORM

Please check the appropriate scholarship award box:

- Lusila Ortega (Head Start/EHS Teacher)
- Gerald Hastings (Head Start Alumnus)
- Goodie Wicklund (Head Start/EHS Parent)
- Allee J. Mitchell (Head Start/EHS Staff)
- Earl Richardson (Head Start/EHS Staff)
- Blanche A. Russ-Glover (HS/EHS Admin. Staff)
- Helen R. Wright (HS/EHS Support Staff)
- Kenneth R. Gilbert (HS/EHS Site/Center Management Staff)
- Venetia L. Peacock (Head Start/EHS Staff)

Please type or print:

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Social Security No.: ____-____-____

ACT/SAT: _____ (fill out only if planning to attend an academic institution)

Years attended Head Start Program and where: _____

High School attended: _____ City: _____

Extracurricular high school activities: _____

Interests/Hobbies: _____

- Previous recipients of THSA Scholarships are not eligible for the same scholarship already awarded, but can apply for a THSA Scholarship in another category.

I am currently attending:

Name of Educational Institution/Vocational /Technical School

Address: _____ Telephone: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Complete this portion according to your scholarship application:

Name of Head Start Program

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____

Head Start Director: _____

Years employed: _____ From: _____ To: _____

Years attended Head Start: From: _____ To: _____

My child is currently enrolled in the:

Name of Center: _____

Head Start Director: _____

Statement of Understanding:

I, _____, understand that by applying for the above scholarship award, and if awarded, I will submit to the Texas Head Start Association proof of my enrollment, or I will forfeit my award.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Deadline for submission of application and supporting documents is May 14, 2010.

Mail completed applications to:
Texas Head Start Association
Scholarship Committee
Attn: Cinithia Melton
3954 Gannon Lane
Dallas, Tx 75237-2919

REGION VI HEAD START ASSOCIATION CERTIFICATION FORM

DOLLAR PER CHILD CAMPAIGN

I hereby state that I have participated in the Dollar Per child Campaign.

Applicant's Signature

Local Head Start Director's Signature

STATE HEAD START ASSOCIATION

I hereby state that I am a member of the _____ Head Start Association (name of state)

Applicant's Signature

Local Head Start Director's Signature

State Head Start Association President's Signature

NATIONAL HEAD START ASSOCIATION

Note: This form must accompany all applications. Head Start Director refers to the Head Start Director at the grantee central office and not the center director.

LUSILA ORTEGA SCHOLARSHIP AWARD
(2 scholarships awarded to a Head Start/EHS Teacher)

Lusila Ortega is a former Texas Head Start Association President who also served on Region VI and National Head Start Association committees. Ms. Ortega's strengths in leadership, fund-raising, working with parents, staff, and communities, plus public speaking helped put THSA and Head Start on the forefront. Ms. Ortega was an ACF Region VI Fellow and still an advocate for higher education. In honor of Ms. Ortega and her accomplishments, THSA established 2 \$1,500.00 scholarships to be given each year to a Head Start/EHS Teacher who is furthering his/her education.

Please review the criteria carefully and ensure you enclose all required documents with your application form.

1. Must be a current member of the Texas Head Start Association.
(Must attach copy of current membership card)
2. Must have current CDA credential (attach copy).
3. Must be a current employee with Head Start for at least two years.
(Attach letter verifying employment with program, including employment date and current position held.)
4. Three letters of references from the following:
 - a. Head Start Director (on Program letterhead)
 - b. One from immediate supervisor, if different from "a."
 - c. One from personal or community source**Note: Letters of recommendation must have signatures**
5. A written financial needs statement from justifying need for scholarship
(300 words or less)
6. Service Delivery Statement – a statement discussing the impact on service delivery in local program due to employment of this applicant (300 words or less)
7. List previous scholarships you have received along with dates they were awarded.
8. A statement (300 words or less) on applicant's financial capabilities-plans to complete degree program.
9. Must be in good academic standing at institution; provide copies of Diplomas-degrees-hours above high school. (A statement or letter from the institution)

Please note: Failure to submit the required documents, as specified above, will disqualify your application.

**STAFF EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (PLEASE TYPE)
AND
CERTIFICATION FOR SCHOOL ATTENDING**

NAME: _____

HEAD START PROGRAM: _____

CURRENT POSITION IN HEAD START PROGRAM: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP CODE:** _____

TELEPHONE: _____ **FAX:** _____

ACT/SAT SCORE: _____

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATED FROM: _____

DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING: _____

FIELD OF STUDY: _____

TOTAL HOURS ACCUMULATED: _____

ANTICIPATED DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

HOW LONG EMPLOYED WITH LOCAL HEAD START AGENCY: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

All information must be typed. This form must accompany all Staff applications.

**GERALD HASTINGS SCHOLARSHIP AWARD
(2 scholarships awarded to Head Start Alumni)**

Gerald Hastings was a Regional Director and wrote the Head Start Code of Ethics. He is a great believer in children obtaining the most education possible and also believes that a college education should be within the reach of every child. In honor of Mr. Hastings, THSA awards 2 \$1,500.00 scholarships to be given each year to Head Start Alumni (former enrollees) who are furthering their education. A former Head Start enrollee is defined as any child that attended a Head Start Program in the State of Texas.

Please review the criteria carefully and ensure you enclose all required documents with your completed application form.

1. A letter or statement from the institution verifying that applicant is enrolled and is in good academic standings.
2. A copy of transcript from college attached to application
3. Must have letters of recommendations on appropriate letterhead from:
 - Head Start Director (also verifying enrollment period)
 - A friend or personal acquaintance
 - A business acquaintance**Note: Letters of recommendation must have signatures**
4. Composition of 300 words or less must be attached defining or discussing each of the areas listed:
 - Personal Goals
 - Financial needs of applicant
 - Plan for completing current college degree/education
5. List previous scholarships you have received along with dates they were awarded.
6. Include any additional information, which you feel could help you in your competition.

Please note: Failure to submit the required documents, as specified above, will disqualify your application.

**ALLIE J. MITCHELL
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (PLEASE TYPE)**

NAME OF APPLICANT: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP CODE:** _____

TELEPHONE: _____ **FAX:** _____

CURRENT OCCUPATION: _____

HEAD START PROGRAM GRADUATED FROM: _____

DATE OF HEAD START ENROLLMENT: _____

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATED FROM: _____

DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES DURING HIGH SCHOOL YEARS: _____

CURRENT INVOLVEMENT IN LOCAL HEAD START PROGRAM: _____

SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING: _____

FIELD OF STUDY: _____

HOURS OR SEMESTERS ACQUIRED TO DATE: _____

CURRENT SOURCE OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ATTEND SCHOOL: _____

FUTURE DESIRES/ASPIRATIONS: _____

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____

GOODIE WICKLUND SCHOLARSHIP AWARD
(2 scholarships awarded to Head Start/EHS Parents)

Goodie Wicklund was a trainer for Texas Southern University, Component Coordinator for Parent Involvement, and an advocate of parent empowerment. In honor of Mrs. Wicklund, THSA awards 2, \$1,500.00 scholarships to be given each year to Head Start/EHS parents who are furthering their education. A Head Start/EHS parent is defined by the THSA By-Laws as any person who has a child currently enrolled in a Head Start/EHS program.

Please review the criteria carefully and ensure you enclose all required documents with your completed application form.

1. Must be a current member of the Texas Head Start Association.
(Attach copy of current membership card)
 2. Must have a child currently enrolled in a Head Start Program.
(Attach letter from Head Start Director verifying child's enrollment)
 3. A letter or statement from institution verifying that applicant is enrolled and is in good academic standings.
 4. Three letters of recommendations from the following:
 - Director of local Head Start Program (on Program letterhead)
 - A friend or personal acquaintance
 - A business acquaintance (Business letterhead)
- Note: Letters of recommendation must have signatures**
5. Composition of three hundred words or less must be attached defining or discussing each of the areas listed:
 - Personal goals
 - Financial Needs of applicant
 - Plan for completing current college degree/education
 6. List previous scholarships you have received along with dates when they were awarded.
 8. Include any additional information, which you feel could help you in your competition.

Please note: Failure to submit the required documents, as specified above, will disqualify your application.

BECA ESCOLAR GOODIE WICKLUND
(2 becas escolares concedidas a Padres de Head Start/EHS)

Goodie Wicklund fue entrenadora en la Universidad Texas Southern, Coordinadora de la Subdivisión de Participación de Padres, y defensora del proyecto enriquecedor para los padres. En honor a la Sra. Wicklund, THSA concede todos los años dos (2) becas escolares de \$1,500.00 cada una a ser galardonadas a padres de Head Start/EHS quienes se encuentren fomentando sus estudios educativos. Los estatutos de THSA definen a un padre de Head Start/EHS como cualquier persona que tenga un niño actualmente matriculado en un programa de Head Start o Early Head Start (EHS).

Por favor repase las reglas cuidadosamente, asegúrese incluir todos los documentos requeridos y adjunte a su formulario de solicitud completado.

1. Debe ser miembro actual de la Asociación de Head Start de Texas.
(Incluya copia de la tarjeta de membresía vigente)
2. Debe tener a un niño actualmente matriculado en un Programa Head Start.
(Incluya una carta de parte del Director de Head Start verificando la matrícula del niño)
3. Una carta o declaración de parte de la institución educativa la cual pueda verificar que el solicitante se encuentra matriculado y al día en sus estudios académicos.
4. Tres cartas de recomendación de parte de las siguientes personas:
 - Director del Programa de Head Start local (en papel membrete del programa)
 - Un amigo o conocido personal
 - Una compañía de negocios con la que tiene relación (en papel membrete de la compañía)

Aviso: Las cartas de recomendación deben estar firmadas

5. Deberá incluirse una composición de trescientas palabras o menos la cual defina o discuta cada uno de los siguientes temas:
 - Metas personales
 - Necesidad financiera del solicitante
 - Planes para completar la licenciatura/estudios educativos
6. Enumere las becas que ha recibido previamente e indique la fecha en que fueron galardonadas.
7. Incluya cualquier información adicional que piense le pueda ayudar a lograr ser una de las personas galardonadas.

Por favor observe: La falta de documentación requerida como lo especifica lo antedicho dará motivo a descalificar su solicitud.

All information must be typed. Please include the Region VI Head Start Association completed Certification Form.

**GOODIE WICKLAND
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (PLEASE TYPE)**

NAME OF APPLICANT: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP CODE:** _____

TELEPHONE: _____ **FAX:** _____

CURRENT OCCUPATION: _____

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDED: _____

DATE GRADUATED: _____

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES DURING HIGH SCHOOL YEARS: _____

HEAD START PROGRAM ASSOCIATED WITH: _____

SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING: _____

FIELD OF STUDY: _____

HOURS OR SEMESTERS ACQUIRED TO DATE: _____

CURRENT SOURCE OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO ATTEND SCHOOL: _____

FUTURE DESIRES/ASPIRATIONS: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

**ALLEE J. MITCHELL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD
(1 scholarship awarded to Head Start/EHS Staff)**

Allee J. Mitchell, a pioneer for Head Start, conducted the first training institute for Head Start at Texas Southern University in the late 60's and early 70's. In honor of Mr. Mitchell, THSA awards 1 \$1,500.00 scholarship to be given to Head Start/EHS staffs that are furthering their education. A Head Start/EHS staff person is defined by the THSA By-Laws as any person who works for a Head Start/EHS program with the exception of Directors or Executive Directors.

Please review the criteria carefully and ensure you enclose all required documents with your application form.

1. Must be a current member of the Texas Head Start Association.
(Must attach copy of current membership card)
2. Must have current CDA credential if a Teacher (attach copy).
3. Must be a current employee with Head Start for at least two years.
(Attach letter verifying employment with program, including employment date and current position held.)
4. Three letters of references from the following:
 - a. Head Start Director (on Program letterhead)
 - b. One from immediate supervisor, if different from "a."
 - c. One from personal or community source**Note: Letters of recommendation must have signatures**
5. A written financial needs statement from justifying need for scholarship
(300 words or less)
6. Service Delivery Statement – a statement discussing the impact on service delivery in local program due to employment of this applicant (300 words or less)
7. List previous scholarships you have received along with dates they were awarded.
8. A statement (300 words or less) on applicant's financial capabilities-plans to complete degree program.
9. Must be in good academic standing at institution; provide copies of Diplomas-degrees-hours above high school. (A statement or letter from the institution)

Please note: Failure to submit the required documents, as specified above, will disqualify your application.

**STAFF EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (PLEASE TYPE)
AND
CERTIFICATION FOR SCHOOL ATTENDING**

NAME: _____

HEAD START PROGRAM: _____

CURRENT POSITION IN HEAD START PROGRAM: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP CODE:** _____

TELEPHONE: _____ **FAX:** _____

ACT/SAT SCORE: _____

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATED FROM: _____

DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING: _____

FIELD OF STUDY: _____

TOTAL HOURS ACCUMULATED: _____

ANTICIPATED DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

HOW LONG EMPLOYED WITH LOCAL HEAD START AGENCY: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

All information must be typed. This form must accompany all Staff applications.

**EARL RICHARDSON SCHOLARSHIP AWARD
(1 scholarship awarded to Head Start/EHS Staff)**

Earl Richardson, “Mr. Head Start”, served as a THSA Board Advisor for many years in support of the THSA Board of Directors and all Head Start/EHS Programs across the State of Texas. Mr. Richardson retired as Program Manager in the Office of Community Programs under the Administration for Children and Families, and by ensuring that “the bar was raised” on quality services provided, our programs, families, staff, and especially our children, continue to develop to their optimum potential. In honor of Mr. Richardson, THSA awards 1 \$1,500.00 scholarship to be given to a Head Start/EHS staff that is furthering their education. A Head Start/EHS staff person is defined by the THSA By-Laws as any person who works for a Head Start/EHS program with the exception of Directors or Executive Directors.

Please review the criteria carefully and ensure you enclose all required documents with your completed application form.

1. Must be a current member of the Texas Head Start Association.
(Attach copy of current membership card)
2. Must have a current CDA credential if a teacher (Attach copy).
3. Must have been employed with Head Start/EHS for at least two years.
(Attach letter verifying employment with program, including employment date and current position held.)
4. Must have letters of recommendations on Program letterhead from:
 - a. Head Start Director, and
 - b. One from immediate supervisor, if different from “a.”
 - c. Two from the community

Note: Letters of recommendation must have signatures

5. Must have a 300 - 400 word essay (two typewritten, double-spaced pages, font size no smaller than 12) on your achievements, aspirations and future goals.
6. Must have a 250 – 300 word essay (two typewritten pages, double-spaced,) why financial assistance is needed to aid in completing an individual’s degree program.
7. List previous scholarships you have received along with dates they were awarded.
8. Include a paragraph discussing employee’s service delivery and any additional information, which you feel could help you in your competition.
9. Must have at least two semesters and/or two quarters of school.
10. Must be in good academic standing at institution; provide copies of Diplomas-degrees-hours above high school.

Please note: Failure to submit the required documents, as specified above, will disqualify your application.

**STAFF EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (PLEASE TYPE)
AND
CERTIFICATION FOR SCHOOL ATTENDING**

NAME: _____

HEAD START PROGRAM: _____

CURRENT POSITION IN HEAD START PROGRAM: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP CODE:** _____

TELEPHONE: _____ **FAX:** _____

ACT/SAT SCORE: _____

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATED FROM: _____

DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING: _____

FIELD OF STUDY: _____

TOTAL HOURS ACCUMULATED: _____

ANTICIPATED DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

HOW LONG EMPLOYED WITH LOCAL HEAD START AGENCY: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

All information must be typed. This form must accompany all Staff applications.

BLANCHE A. RUSS-GLOVER SCHOLARSHIP AWARD
(1 scholarship awarded to Head Start/EHS Administrative Staff)

Blanche A. Russ-Glover, “The First Lady of Head Start” has served as THSA Board President, Region VI Board President and NHSA Vice Chair for many years in support of all Head Start/Early Head Start Programs, children, families, and staff across the nation. Mrs. Russ-Glover is a proven leader, and advocate for at-risk children, and strongly believes that the learning process never ends, especially for staff. In honor of Mrs. Russ-Glover, THSA awards 1 \$1,500.00 scholarship to be given to a Head Start/EHS administrative staff person who is furthering their education. A Head Start/EHS administrative staff person is defined as any person who works for a Head Start/EHS program in an administrative office.

Please review the criteria carefully and ensure you enclose all required documents with your application form.

1. Must be a current member of the Texas Head Start Association.
(Must attach copy of current membership card)
2. Must have a current CDA credential (attach copy).
3. Must be a current employee with Head Start for at least two years.
(Attach letter verifying employment with program, including employment date and current position held.)
4. Three letters of references from the following:
 - a. Head Start Director (on Program letterhead)
 - b. One from immediate supervisor, if different from “a.”
 - c. One from personal or community source**Note: Letters of recommendation must have signatures**
5. A written financial needs statement from justifying need for scholarship
(300 words or less)
6. Service Delivery Statement – a statement discussing the impact on service delivery in local program due to employment of this applicant (300 words or less)
7. List previous scholarships you have received along with dates they were awarded.
8. A statement (300 words or less) on applicant’s financial capabilities-plans to complete degree program.
9. Must be in good academic standing at institution; provide copies of Diplomas-degrees-hours above high school. (A statement or letter from the institution)

Please note: Failure to submit the required documents, as specified above, will disqualify your application.

**STAFF EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (PLEASE TYPE)
AND
CERTIFICATION FOR SCHOOL ATTENDING**

NAME: _____

HEAD START PROGRAM: _____

CURRENT POSITION IN HEAD START PROGRAM: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP CODE:** _____

TELEPHONE: _____ **FAX:** _____

ACT/SAT SCORE: _____

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATED FROM: _____

DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING: _____

FIELD OF STUDY: _____

TOTAL HOURS ACCUMULATED: _____

ANTICIPATED DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

HOW LONG EMPLOYED WITH LOCAL HEAD START AGENCY: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

All information must be typed. This form must accompany all Staff applications.

HELEN R. WRIGHT SCHOLARSHIP AWARD
(1 scholarship awarded to Head Start/EHS Support Staff)

Helen R. Wright lead the Texas Head Start Association as Board President from 1998 to 2003, and in support of all Head Start/EHS Programs across the State of Texas was instrumental in having a five year strategic plan developed and implemented. Mrs. Wright is a strong believer in developing families, staff, and especially our Texas children. In honor of Mrs. Wright, THSA awards 1 \$1,500.00 scholarship to be given to a Head Start/EHS Content Area staff person who is furthering their education. A Head Start/EHS Content Area staff person is defined as any person who works for a Head Start/EHS Program, with the exception of Directors or Executive Directors, who aid in the direct services provided to the children enrolled in the centers. For example: center directors, health services, family services, parent involvement, etc.

Please review the criteria carefully and ensure you enclose all required documents with your application form.

1. Must be a current member of the Texas Head Start Association.
(Must attach copy of current membership card)
2. Must have a current CDA credential (attach copy).
3. Must be a current employee with Head Start for at least two years.
(Attach letter verifying employment with program, including employment date and current position held.)
4. Three letters of references from the following:
 - a. Head Start Director (on Program letterhead)
 - b. One from immediate supervisor, if different from "a."
 - c. One from personal or community source**Note: Letters of recommendation must have signatures**
5. A written financial needs statement from justifying need for scholarship
(300 words or less)
6. Service Delivery Statement – a statement discussing the impact on service delivery in local program due to employment of this applicant (300 words or less)
7. List previous scholarships you have received along with dates they were awarded.
8. A statement (300 words or less) on applicant's financial capabilities-plans to complete degree program.
9. Must be in good academic standing at institution; provide copies of Diplomas-degrees-hours above high school. (A statement or letter from the institution)

Please note: Failure to submit the required documents, as specified above, will disqualify your application.

**STAFF EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (PLEASE TYPE)
AND
CERTIFICATION FOR SCHOOL ATTENDING**

NAME: _____

HEAD START PROGRAM: _____

CURRENT POSITION IN HEAD START PROGRAM: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP CODE:** _____

TELEPHONE: _____ **FAX:** _____

ACT/SAT SCORE: _____

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATED FROM: _____

DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING: _____

FIELD OF STUDY: _____

TOTAL HOURS ACCUMULATED: _____

ANTICIPATED DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

HOW LONG EMPLOYED WITH LOCAL HEAD START AGENCY: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

All information must be typed. This form must accompany all Staff applications.

KENNETH R. GILBERT SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

(1 scholarship awarded to Head Start/EHS Site/Center Management Staff)

Kenneth R. Gilbert has served as THSA Board President, THSA Board Treasurer and THSA Region VI Board representative for many years in support of all Head Start/Early Head Start Programs, children, families, and staff across the State of Texas and Region VI. Mr. Gilbert, a proven leader is very dedicated to positive advocacy for children and families. In honor of Mr. Gilbert, THSA awards 1 \$1,500.00 scholarship to be given to a Head Start/EHS administrative staff person who is furthering their education. A Head Start/EHS administrative staff person is defined as any person who works for a Head Start/EHS program in an administrative office.

Please review the criteria carefully and ensure you enclose all required documents with your application form.

1. Must be a current member of the Texas Head Start Association.
(Must attach copy of current membership card)
2. Must have a current CDA credential (attach copy).
3. Must be a current employee with Head Start for at least two years.
(Attach letter verifying employment with program, including employment date and current position held.)
4. Three letters of references from the following:
 - a. Head Start Director (on Program letterhead)
 - b. One from immediate supervisor, if different from "a."
 - c. One from personal or community source**Note: Letters of recommendation must have signatures**
5. A written financial needs statement from justifying need for scholarship
(300 words or less)
6. Service Delivery Statement – a statement discussing the impact on service delivery in local program due to employment of this applicant (300 words or less)
7. List previous scholarships you have received along with dates they were awarded.
8. A statement (300 words or less) on applicant's financial capabilities-plans to complete degree program.
9. Must be in good academic standing at institution; provide copies of Diplomas-degrees-hours above high school. (A statement or letter from the institution)

Please note: Failure to submit the required documents, as specified above, will disqualify your application.

VENETIA L. PEACOCK SCHOLARSHIP AWARD
(1 scholarship awarded to Head Start/EHS Staff)

Venetia L. Peacock has served as THSA Board President and Board representative in support of all Head Start/Early Head Start Programs, children, families, and staff across the State of Texas. Ms. Peacock is dedicated to advocating for children and families and believes that education is the great equalizer. In honor of Ms. Peacock, THSA awards 1, \$1,500.00 scholarship to be given to a Head Start/EHS staff person who is furthering their education. A Head Start/EHS staff person is defined as any person who currently works for a Head Start/EHS program.

Please review the criteria carefully and ensure you enclose all required documents with your application form.

1. Must be a current member of the Texas Head Start Association. (Must attach copy of current membership card)
2. (Teachers) must have a minimum of a CDA credential or proof of progress towards an Associates, Bachelor's Degree, or Advanced Degree. (attach copy).
3. Must be a current employee with Head Start for at least two years. (Attach letter verifying employment with program, including employment date and current position held.)
4. Three letters of references from the following:
 - a. Head Start Director (on Program letterhead)
 - b. One from a Community Partner for your program
 - c. One from a Head Start Parent**Note: Letters of recommendation must have signatures**
5. A written financial needs statement justifying the need for a scholarship. (300 words or less)
6. Service Delivery Statement – a statement discussing how you have contributed to the quality of services in your Head Start community and how receiving this scholarship will help you better serve your Head Start Program. (300 words or less)
7. List previous scholarships you have received along with dates they were awarded.
8. A statement (300 words or less) on applicant's financial capabilities-plans to complete degree program and why it is important to you to achieve a degree.
9. Must be in good academic standing at institution; provide copies of Diplomas-degrees-hours above high school. (A statement or letter from the institution)

Please note: Failure to submit the required documents, as specified above, will disqualify your application.

**STAFF EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (PLEASE TYPE)
AND
CERTIFICATION FOR SCHOOL ATTENDING**

NAME: _____

HEAD START PROGRAM: _____

CURRENT POSITION IN HEAD START PROGRAM: _____

MAILING ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **STATE:** _____ **ZIP CODE:** _____

TELEPHONE: _____ **FAX:** _____

ACT/SAT SCORE: _____

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATED FROM: _____

DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

SCHOOL CURRENTLY ATTENDING: _____

FIELD OF STUDY: _____

TOTAL HOURS ACCUMULATED: _____

ANTICIPATED DATE OF GRADUATION: _____

HOW LONG EMPLOYED WITH LOCAL HEAD START AGENCY: _____

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

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Do not send applications directly

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FRIDAY, MAY 14, 2010