

# 2026 Texas Mushroom Festival Scholarship Application

**DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MARCH 20, 2026**

**Submission Instructions:** Complete applications can be turned into:

- Madisonville High School Counselor: Amanda Walters
- North Zulch High School Counselor: Kori Batten
- Mailed or delivered in person to:

**Tammy Hoke**  
**Prosperity Bank**  
208 W. Main St.  
Madisonville, TX 77864

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## **Eligibility Requirements:**

- Applicant must be a graduating senior from a Madison County school during the 2025-2026 school year.
  - Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the institution of higher learning at the end of the first completed regular semester.
  - Applicant must take and pass a minimum of 12 hours during the semester and maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA.
  - Scholarship funds must be used by the end of the Spring 2027 semester.
  - To receive funds, the recipient must provide an official transcript following their first semester and proof of enrollment for the second semester.
  - The Texas Mushroom Festival reserves the right to evaluate scholarship payments on an individual basis in case of extenuating circumstances.
  - Applicant must submit:
    - A letter of recommendation from a teacher, principal, or counselor (not related to the applicant).
    - A current official high school transcript showing SAT and/or ACT scores.
    - A college school acceptance letter for Fall 2025.
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**Selection Criteria:**

- Academic Achievement, Awards, and Honors (25%)
  - Community Involvement, Awards, and Honors (25%)
  - Personal Essays (50%)
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**Applicant Information:**

**Full Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Parent/Guardian Information:**

**Parent/Guardian Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Family's Household Income (based on last year's tax return):**

- ☐ Under \$30,000
- ☐ \$30,000 - \$50,000
- ☐ \$50,000 - \$75,000
- ☐ Over \$75,000

**Scholastic Information:**

**High School Attending:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Colleges Applied To:**

**Colleges Accepted To:**

**Intended Field of Study:**

  

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**Extracurricular Activities, Honors, and Community Service:** (Attach a separate sheet if necessary)

**List any school-related extracurricular activities:**

**List any awards, honors, or recognitions received:**

**Describe your involvement in community service or volunteer work:**

**Essay Questions:** Please attach a 1000 word typed essay including the following prompts (12-point Times New Roman font, single spacing, 1-inch margins):

1. **Describe yourself and your future goals.** How will this scholarship assist you in achieving them?
2. **What role has community involvement played in your life?** How do you plan to continue giving back?
3. **Discuss a challenge you have faced and how you overcame it.** What did you learn from this experience?

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**Certification & Signature:** I certify that all information provided in this application is accurate and complete. I understand that providing false information may result in disqualification from consideration.

**Applicant Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature (if applicant is under 18):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Application Checklist:**

- ☐ Completed Application Form
- ☐ Official High School Transcript with SAT/ACT Scores
- ☐ College/Vocational/Trade School Acceptance Letter
- ☐ Letter of Recommendation
- ☐ Typed Essay Responses