

# Jackson T. Stephens Scholarship

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2023-2024 APPLICATION



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**Application Deadline: March 29, 2024**

### **Overview:**

The *Jackson T. Stephens Scholarship* awards participants who excel in academics, leadership, character development, and chapter and community involvement. Thanks to the generous donors of our 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration, First Tee-Central Arkansas is proud to offer a \$5,000 scholarship provided to one young lady and one young man to help with cost of their college education.

### **Participant Selection:**

Applications are accepted once per year from seniors in high school who meet the minimum eligibility requirements. All components of the application will be reviewed with consideration that this scholarship is a need and merit-based scholarship.

Following the closing date of March 29, 2024, a judging committee will review the submissions and identify two individuals to receive a one time \$5,000 Jackson T. Stephens Scholarship. The selections will be announced by April 30, 2024.

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

To be eligible for the Jackson T. Stephens Scholarship, applicants must meet ALL of the following requirements:

- Must be classified as a high school senior as of December 31, 2023
- Minimum 2.75 GPA on a 4.0 grading scale
- Intend to attend a four-year accredited college or university in Fall 2024
- Involved in chapter activities at the time of application submission
  - Participants who have spent a longer amount of time in First Tee programs will receive higher consideration in the selection.
- Evidence of responsible volunteerism or citizenship through meaningful involvement in community and/or civic activities

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### Application Process:

Applications can be mailed to the following address, emailed to [mblake@thefirstteear.org](mailto:mblake@thefirstteear.org) , or uploaded to our website at [www.firstteecentralarkansas.org](http://www.firstteecentralarkansas.org)

First Tee-Central Arkansas  
1 First Tee Way, Little Rock AR 72204

The application will consist of the following:

- General Information Form
- Participant School Information
- School & Community Activities Chart, & Two Typed Essays
- Video Essay
- Official High School Transcripts and Test Scores (printed from test site and scanned)
- FAFSA, Tax Returns and additional funding

### Questions:

For questions regarding the Jackson T. Stephens Scholarship please contact Monica Blake at [Mblake@thefirstteear.org](mailto:Mblake@thefirstteear.org) , 501-562-4653 Ext. 400.

*Below is a copy of the application you will need to complete online; please refer to the application below to make sure that you have all of the information you need to complete your application online. Applications MUST be submitted by the First Tee participant. First Tee will NOT accept correspondence from families of participants. The deadline to apply online is March 15, 2022.*

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### GENERAL INFORMATION FORM

Participant First Name:		
Participant Last Name:		
Participant E-Mail:		Participant Cell #:
Current Home Address:		Home #:
City:	State:	ZIP Code:
Parent/Guardian #1 Full Name:		Parent/Guardian #2 Full Name:
Parent/Guardian #1 E-Mail:		Parent/Guardian #2 E-Mail:
Parent/Guardian #1 Cell #:		Parent/Guardian #2 Cell #:
Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY):		Age as of <b>February 1, 2022</b> :
School Grade Level as of <b>December 31, 2021</b> : <i>High School</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Senior		High School Grade Point Average ( <b>based on a 4.0 scale</b> ):
Gender: <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		
Ethnic Background: <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic or Latino/a <input type="checkbox"/> Native American or Native Alaskan <input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Islander <input type="checkbox"/> White or Caucasian <input type="checkbox"/> Multi-Racial		Years playing golf: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 <input type="checkbox"/> 6 <input type="checkbox"/> 7+

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### STUDENT FAMILY INFORMATION

Participant First Name:		Participant Last Name:	
Parent/Guardian #1 Full Name:		Parent/Guardian #2 Full Name:	
Parent/Guardian Permanent, Legal Address:			
City:	State:	ZIP Code:	
Parent/Guardian #1 Employer:			
Parent/Guardian #1 Occupation:		Phone #:	
Parent/Guardian #2 Employer:			
Parent/Guardian #2 Occupation:		Phone #:	
Are you the first of your generation to attend college? Yes or No			

### PARTICIPANT SCHOOL INFORMATION

Name of current High School:	Please Check One: Public _____ ; Private _____ ; Home School _____
Anticipated Graduation Date:	Grade Point Average:
Class Rank: _____ out of _____	Is this a weighted GPA?
	If yes, on a scale of:
Please list any Honors (H) or Advanced Placement (AP) classes you are currently taking:	
Do you play on your high school golf team?	

### ACT AND SAT TESTS

List the highest scores for each section of the SAT tests you have taken. You must submit a copy of your test scores to the application.

SAT | Math:  
 SAT | Evidence Based Reading & Writing:  
 Date SAT Taken:

List your ACT composite score:	Date ACT Taken:
Do you plan on taking any of these tests again?	Future SAT Test Date: Future ACT Test Date:

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### COLLEGE INFORMATION

List any colleges to which you have applied and been accepted:

If you have already decided, please list the college you plan to attend:

Do you plan to play on your college golf team? If yes, have you received a college golf scholarship?

Please select the college scholarships you expect to apply for and receive:

- Athletic full
- Athletic partial
- Merit
- Local community
- National
- None

Please list all monetary awards, grants, and scholarships (athletic, golf, community, etc.) you have already received, including the total amount of each, whether they are one-time or recurring, and the awarding institution:

If you know your major or course of study, please indicate:

Please describe your current career aspirations:

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### SCHOOL & COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES CHART

Please complete the chart below; more space will be available when completing this section online.

A. Extracurricular & School Activities	Dates (From – To)	Hours Per Week	Total Hours	Responsibilities & Accomplishments
<i>Example: Golf Club</i>	<i>Jan 2018 - Present</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>24</i>	<i>Club President: Organized play dates</i>
B. Community & Volunteer Service	Dates (From – To)	Hours Per Week	Total Hours	Responsibilities & Accomplishments
C. Awards & Recognition	Dates (From – To)	Hours Per Week	Total Hours	Responsibilities & Accomplishments
D. Work for Pay	Dates (From – To)	Hours Per Week	Total Hours	Responsibilities & Accomplishments

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### SHORT ANSWER ESSAYS

Your response must be 500 words or less per question.

1. Describe in your own words the value participating in First Tee has had in your life. Tell a story about yourself using one of the Life Skills you have applied (NOT Nine Core Values!). Include examples of personal growth, development of leadership traits, core value enhancement, and golf skill development. How will these lessons help you to succeed in college?

2. Where do you see yourself in 5-10 years after completing your formal education? Please describe what you envision your occupation being and how First Tee's Life Skills Experience will have influenced and guided you during this time.

### Video Essay

Jack Stephens once told a reporter: "The skills needed to master this game are the same skills needed to master life, a life full of unseen obstacles and excitement." Tell us what this quote means to you and what it would mean to you to be awarded the Jackson T. Stephens scholarship. In two minutes or less, create a video addressing this topic.

Please email the link to your video to [Mblake@thefirsttear.org](mailto:Mblake@thefirsttear.org) in one following file formats:

- Audio Video Interleaved (.AVI)
- QuickTime (.mov)
- MPEG (.mpg, .mpeg, .mp4)
- Windows Media Video (.wmv)
- Flash Video (.flv, .f4v)



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### HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT

- Please upload your official high school transcript
- Copies of your official test scores – download from test service website

### OFFICIAL ACT or SAT TEST SCORES

- Please upload copies of your official test scores – download from test service website

### FAFSA (EFC)/Student Aid Report

- Please upload the one-page report generated by filing the FAFSA which shows the Expected Family Contribution. If the FAFSA has not been filed, indicate this clearly

### Tax Returns

- Please upload the first page of 2021 Federal tax returns showing the adjusted gross income of parents, guardians, and applicant

### Additional Funding

- Provide a description of the following in 200 words or less:
  - *The applicant family's financial circumstances including any impediments to paying for college (such as number of dependents in college, etc.)*
  - *Cost to attend selected college or university (include a breakdown of annual tuition, room & board, fees, books, travel)*
  - *Scholarships (including athletic), grants and awards to be applied toward the cost of attending college in the Fall of 2020 for all dependents*

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## Statement of Understanding

I acknowledge that I am fully aware of and understand the following information:

**Jackson T. Stephens Scholarship:** The Jackson T. Stephens Scholarship offers a one time \$5,000 scholarship to one young man and one young woman. The funds are paid directly to the college or university of the recipient's choice.

**Maintaining a Scholarship:** Scholars selected for this award must maintain the required level of academic performance set forth by the school they choose to attend. If performance falls below this level, participation in this scholarship may be revoked. Please refer to the individual school's requirements for more information.

**Electronic Signature:** In accordance with federal law, the parties may execute this document electronically – equaling to the same degree as a handwritten signature – by using the following process to create an electronic symbol signifying intent. The party must fill in their name and date below, signifying your agreement.

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Signature:

Date:

Participant Signature:

Date:

## Applicant Certification

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I certify that the above information of this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I further certify that if I knowingly have provided false information in an effort to receive financial assistance, my application will be rejected and I will be disqualified from seeking any scholarships through the Jackson T. Stephens Scholarship.

I have read and understand all materials for this program. I agree to furnish any additional information requested of me including, but not limited to, academic and/or athletic pictures, updated transcripts and/or official test scores in a timely manner.

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