

# 2013-14 Fred Wiesner Educational Excellence Scholarship

## Scholarship details

The Fred Wiesner Educational Excellence Scholarship was established to honor the late Fred Wiesner, one of [ATPE's](#) founding members. The program awards four \$1,500 scholarships to outstanding college students currently enrolled in educator preparation programs. Three scholarships will be awarded to undergraduate college students, and one scholarship will be awarded to a graduate student (if the number and quality of applicants allows).

## Criteria and guidelines

1. Each applicant must be enrolled in an accredited college or university educator preparation program. Proof of enrollment must be included with this application.
2. Complete the application form.
3. Provide college transcripts with official university imprint. (DO NOT FAX OR EMAIL.) In addition, a copy of high school transcripts is required for applicants who are college freshmen.
4. Provide a detailed description of participation in any academic, honorary, civic or extracurricular activities in college. In addition, a detailed description of high school activities is required from college freshmen.
5. Compose an essay of no more than two typed, double-spaced 8 1/2" x 11" pages. The essay must include the following:
  - o An innovative instructional theory or methodology related to the applicant's subject/certification area.
  - o The applicant's personal educational philosophy.
  - o Why the applicant wants to become an educator.
  - o Person/people or event that most influenced the applicant's career decision.
  - o Why the applicant is applying for the award.
6. Provide at least two (but no more than three) letters of recommendation, no older than one year, from college/high school faculty or other appropriate sources. Limit each letter to one official letterhead page. Letters should include the author's address and Saturday phone number. Authors must mail letters of recommendation directly to the ATPE Foundation state office.
7. Scholarship recipients shall be provided with \$1,500 in reimbursement based on receipts for any legitimate expense involving college tuition and educational materials. A cash award may be granted if the recipient is a student teacher and has otherwise completed certification requirements.
8. Scholarship recipients are ineligible to apply for the scholarship the following year.

## Judging process

A committee is selected each year by the ATPE Foundation Board of Directors. The scholarship committee will select the recipients, who will be notified in July 2014.

## Timeline

1. Applications are mailed to Texas colleges and universities in the fall semester.
2. All entries must be postmarked no later than **June 2, 2014**, if mailed, or by midnight on the same date if faxed or emailed. The committee will not consider late or incomplete submissions. The final judging process will occur in July 2014.
3. Recipients are required to use all funds awarded within a calendar year of the date of presentation.

FRED WIESNER  
EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

2013-14 Application Form

Category:  Graduate  Undergraduate

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City/State/ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Major (field of study) \_\_\_\_\_  
Hours Completed \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_

College/Universities Attended	Location	Dates Attended	GPA
1) _____	_____	_____	_____
2) _____	_____	_____	_____
3) _____	_____	_____	_____

**High School(s) Attended**  
1) \_\_\_\_\_  
2) \_\_\_\_\_

Letters of Recommendation (to be mailed separately, directly from authors)

Name	Relationship to Applicant
1) _____	_____
2) _____	_____
3) _____	_____

I hereby acknowledge that the information contained in these application materials is correct to the best of my knowledge and that this application complies fully with the award criteria.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

When complete, mail this application form and support materials to: Fred Wiesner Educational Excellence Scholarship, c/o ATPE Foundation, 305 E. Huntland Dr., Ste. 300, Austin, TX 78752-3792, fax to (512) 302-5884 or email to [jengland@atpe.org](mailto:jengland@atpe.org). If you have questions, call the ATPE Foundation at (800) 777-ATPE. *Copy as needed.*