

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS
TEXAS STATE COURT
STATE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION – 2016**

DEADLINE: January 30, 2016

PART 1: (Please type or print clearly)

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____
Street City State Zip

Telephone (_____) _____ Email: _____

Relationship to CDA member: Son _____ Daughter _____ Grandson _____ Granddaughter _____
JCDA Member _____ Brother _____ Sister _____ Niece _____ Nephew _____

CDA Member's Name: _____

(Court Name and Number)

(Court Location)

The Texas State Court will award at least one (1) \$1,000.00 scholarship and may award additional scholarships if funds are available.

Those eligible to apply for scholarships are graduating seniors in accredited high schools who are related to living CDA members in good standing and/or who are members of JCDA.

Requirements

1. Sections 1 and 2 are to be **completed on the sheet labeled Part IV with no additional sheets attached and signed by the School Counselor and the Youth Minister or Parish Priest. Please submit three (3) copies of this page.**
2. Each applicant must submit a **typed** essay **addressing the question in Section 3. Essay must be at least one full page and not more than two (2) pages, double spaced, size 12 font.** Please submit **three (3) copies** of the essay for the judges to read. Please be sure the photocopies are legible as illegible essays will be disqualified. Essays that are hand written will be disqualified as well.
3. **All application forms must be signed and dated by the Regent of the sponsoring court on page 2.**
4. **Each applicant must sign the Student Certification Statement on page 2 that the Essay is their own creation.**
5. The applicant **must not mention his/her name or make any other identifying reference within the essay, on the essay, or Part IV. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.**
6. On the form sent to the regent in April, **each winner must submit the name and address of the institution he/she will attend by July 1, 2016 to Melodie Brunt, Memorial Scholarship Chairman.**
7. **Emailed applications will not be accepted.**
8. **Sponsoring court must have enrollments totaling at least \$50.00 before January 30, 2016.**
9. **ALL APPLICATIONS AND ESSAYS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JANUARY 30, 2016.**

PART II:

Section 1 25% School Activities: UIL programs (athletics, music, theatre, academics); school organizations (leadership positions, if any); and community service related to school activities.

Section 2 25% Church Activities: involvement in church programs; and community service through those programs.

While applicants must address all three sections, the greatest emphasis should be placed on Section 3.

Section 3 50% Essay: respond fully to the following prompt; do not include any activities from Sections 1 and 2.

In an interview, Pope Francis listed his Top 10 tips for bringing greater joy to one's life. Number Nine was: *Don't proselytize; respect others' beliefs.* He said, "*We can inspire others through witness so that one grows together in communicating. But the worst thing of all is religious proselytism, which paralyzes: 'I am talking with you in order to persuade you,' No. The church grows by attraction, not proselytizing.*"

Going to college you may not be surrounded by your Catholic friends, others may proselytize. How will you witness to others, inspire others, attract others to the Catholic faith?

Part III: PLEASE NOTE: Regent of the sponsoring court MUST SIGN and DATE application.

(Regent's Signature) Sponsoring Court Location Date

Student Certification

I attest that this essay is my own original creation and that the information on the application is accurate.

Applicant's Signature _____

List three institutions you are requesting admission to:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

MAIL APPLICATIONS, ACTIVITIES AND ESSAY TO: (Deadline: January 30, 2016)

**Melodie Brunt
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP CHAIRMAN
Catholic Daughters of the Americas
1243 N FM2148
Texarkana, TX 75501**

To be completed by Scholarship Chairman Number: _____ Postmarked _____ Received: _____ Met Requirements (Yes) _____ (No) _____
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PART IV: Section 1 25 % SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

School Counselor Signature

PART IV: Section 2 25% CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Youth Minister or Parish Priest Signature
