TAIWANESE-AMERICAN CITIZENS LEAGUE ORANGE COUNTY CHAPTER COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



APPLICATION FILING PERIOD: JANUARY 20, 2018 - MARCH 30, 2018



Community Scholarship Application Information

INTRODUCTION OF TACL

TACL-OC is a 501(c)3 non-profit with the mission of improving the quality of life of Taiwanese-Americans and promoting Taiwanese-American participation in the American democratic system. TACL-OC's work is largely devoted to building an understanding of the Taiwanese-American culture to the broader mainstream culture. Its programs serve to benefit all ages, but have emphasized on leadership and identity development programs for youth, encouraging involvement and development in areas that Asian-Americans lack adequate representation. Signature programs include the Political Internship (SIP), Journalism Internship (JIP), Entertainment Internship (EI), High School Scholarship, Leadership Identity Development (LID) and Leading Youth Forward (LYF) Camps, and our affiliates for young professionals: Taiwanese American Professionals (TAP) and for high school students: Junior Taiwanese-American Students Association (JTASA).

TACL COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Since 2002, TACL-OC has awarded 10 to 15 scholarships each in the form of \$500 to college-bound seniors and juniors who have demonstrated leadership, student involvement, community service, and academic success. Over the last nine years, TACL-OC has distributed over eighty scholarships to college-bound seniors and juniors across more than ten schools in Orange County. The recipients were from high schools of Orange County area. The scholarship is open to all seniors and juniors at your high school regardless of sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, **citizenship**, age, disability, medical condition, or sexual orientation. With this scholarship program, we hope to inspire, cultivate an appreciation for cultural diversity, and support the scholarship recipients in their endeavors toward his/her achievements, academically and professionally, in his/her future.

ELIGIBILITY:

- 1. Applicant is to be a college-bound high school senior and juniors living in Orange County. The high school senior and juniors are eligible regardless of sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, **citizenship**, age, disability, medical condition, or sexual orientation.
- 2. Applicant has demonstrated leadership, student involvement, community service, and academic success by promoting understanding and respect among different cultural and ethnic groups through their thoughts and actions.



Community Scholarship Application Instructions

- Application Form (can be downloaded fromwww.tacl.orgorwww.pacific-times.com
- □ A one-page biography (typed, double spaced, Times New Roman, font size 12, one inch margin on four borders)
- □ A TYPED ESSAY OF "How I CONTRIBUTE AND CARE ABOUT MY COMMUNITY." (No more than 500 words, double spaced, Times New Roman, font size 12 with 1" margins on 4 borders)
- □ One or more letter(s) of recommendation from:
 - 1. Faculty, teacher, or counselor of the school you attend OR
 - 2. Community leader or supervisor

A COPY OF YOUR MOST RECENT TRANSCRIPT - Transcripts must be sent by mail.

□ Supplemental items that you would like us to consider *(optional)*

The completed application form, biography, and essay must be e-mailed as attachments to lynn.wen@yahoo.com.Faculty, teacher, counselor, community leader, or supervisor may scan and e-mail the letter of recommendation. However, he or she must still send the hard copy recommendation letter by mail to the address below. Transcripts <u>must</u> be sent by mail.

DEADLINE:

Your completed application packet must be scanned and e-mailed to lynn.wen@yahoo.com by March 30, 2018. Transcripts and letter(s) of recommendation must be sent by <u>mail</u> and post marked by March 30, 2018 to:

Lynn Wen TACL- OC Community Scholarships P.O. Box 80673 San Marino, CA 91118-8673

TACL-OC APPOVED CULTURAL EVENTS: To promote understanding and respect among cultural diversity, applicants will be required to participate at the Taiwanese-American Heritage Festival Week in May 2018, a workshop in June, and one other event to be announced.

SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS SELECTED: Scholarship recipients will be notified of their selection for the scholarship award on June 10, 2018

SCHOLARSHIP AWARD CEREMONY:

Each scholarship recipient will be awarded five hundred dollars (\$500) with a Scholarship Award plaque. All recipients are required to attend the TACL-OC Scholarship Award Ceremony in order to receive the award and plaque. The place, date, and time of this event will be announced at a later date.



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Applicant Last Name First Name	Middle Initial		
e-mail address:		Phone #	
Address:			
City:	State:	Zip Code:	
School			
School Address			
Year of graduation:			
Name of Parent/Guardian:			
Parents' phone:			



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Honor, Awards, Certificates, and Academic Achievements:			
Letter of Recommendation written by:			
Name: Phone: Relationship to applicant:			
Applicant's Signature:			
Parent's or Guardian's Name (Last, First) Please print	Parent's or Guardian's Name (Last, First) Please print		
Date (mm/dd/vr)			

**Optional: You may include other information that you feel will support your application



P.O.Box 80673 San Marino, CA 91118-8673 (626) 236-8559

January 20, 2018

Dear Counselors,

The Taiwanese-American Citizens League, Orange County Chapter (TACL-OC), is pleased to announce its 2017 Taiwanese-American Community Scholarship Program. We appreciate your school's participation last year, and we would invite your college-bound seniors and juniors to apply. Each award will be in the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500) along with a commemorative plaque. We will offer a total of at least 10 awards for Orange County students. The scholarship is open to all seniors and juniors at your high school regardless of sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, age, disability, medical condition, or sexual orientation. We hope that the scholarship will inspire the award recipients toward greater achievements, academically and professionally, in his/her future.

Applicants must be college-bound seniors in the graduating classes of 2018 and juniors. We would like the recipients to be well-rounded students who have demonstrated leadership skills, extracurricular activity involvement, community service, and academic achievement.

In addition, we would greatly appreciate your help in nominating a senior and a junior in any of the following categories:

- A senior and a junior in financial need
- A senior and a junior from a family of a veteran or a senior participating in you ROTC Program

Please notify me with the names of your nominees. Your nominees must apply for the scholarship and participate in TACL-OC approved cultural events.

The application deadline is March 30, 2018. We will announce the award winners by June 10, 2018.

Attached are scholarship flyers and application forms. The entire application package can be downloaded from www.tacl.org or www.pacific-times.com Please feel free to contact me should you have any question or need more information.

Sincerely Yours,

Lynn Wen TACL-OC Scholarship Chairman Lynn.wen@yahoo.com (626)236-8559