

2012 API SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INFORMATION

The Brazos Valley Chapter of API (BVAPI) is a service-oriented non-profit organization comprised of individuals in and around oilfield related businesses. The main goal of our Chapter is to raise funds for college scholarships. We do this by hosting several events throughout the year. BVAPI views education as an important step for future success and is proud to continue to award scholarships to numerous qualified students in the Brazos Valley.

Application Requirements:

- To qualify for this scholarship, a parent or guardian must be employed in an oilfield related industry AND be a current member of the Brazos Valley Chapter of the American Petroleum Institute.
- Membership dues must be paid at least 3 months prior to submitting scholarship application.
- Favorable consideration will be given to ACTIVE Brazos Valley Chapter members. ACTIVE is defined as members who attend monthly meetings and who volunteer to be on fundraising committees and help with events.
- Scholarships are directed to students who have demonstrated a high academic track record and who have a strong interest in pursuing higher education in the oil & gas industry. Applicants pursuing other courses of study will receive consideration should there be an insufficient number of applicants majoring in the petroleum industry.

***All of the above information is required in order for you to be considered for this scholarship.**

Scholarship Information:

College Scholarships can be used at the recipient's school of choice

- ◇ **SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT:** API offers scholarships ranging from \$750 to \$6,000.
- ◇ **The 2011 scholarship award is to be paid in increments of \$750.00 per semester or quarter.** The maximum payment will not exceed eight (8) semesters or quarters. The number of semesters to be funded for each recipient is to be determined by the enrollment status of each student and the type of college they are attending.
- ◇ **HOUR REQUIREMENTS:** For each semester or quarter, recipients must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 hours for undergraduate study or 6 hours for graduate students. Special consideration is given for enrollment in accelerated courses, technical or vocational schools. Summer school will be considered a semester providing at least 6 hours are taken during the summer.
- ◇ **GPA REQUIREMENTS:** Each semester, scholarship recipients must maintain a GPA of 2.0 or better on a scale of 4.0.
- ◇ **FUNDS AVAILABLE:** The amount of the scholarship funds available shall be determined by the Executive Board each year. The total amount of each scholarship award may vary due to: a) the amount of scholarship funds available, or b) the number of qualified applicants applying for the awards.



INITIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUNDING REQUIREMENTS:

To qualify for a scholarship payment, recipients of 2012 Fall Semester Scholarship awards are required to submit a Fall Course schedule to the BVAPI Scholarship Chairman after August 1st. (A copy of the college registration receipt showing student's name, class schedule, hours, college name and address will serve as official documentation).

Undergraduate students must be enrolled full time, a minimum of 12 hours per semester, in an accredited two or four year College or University.

Trade, vocational or technical schools are approved courses of study.

Courses from multiple schools may be combined additively.

RULES & GUIDELINES FOR SCHOLARSHIPS:

To maintain eligibility, the recipient must comply with all scholarship policies.

1. **GPA Requirement:** Recipients of scholarships must maintain a 2.0 grade point average (GPA) on a 4.0 system or the equivalent on an alternate grading system, or better, for the last semester or quarter. Applicants that split their classes between multiple schools must submit transcripts from each school and provide the combined GPA for the scholarship committee review.
2. **Hour Requirement:** For each semester or quarter, recipients must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 hours for undergraduate study or 6 hours for graduate students. Special consideration is given for enrollment in accelerated courses, technical or vocational schools. Summer school will be considered a semester providing at least 6 hours are taken during the summer.
3. **Transcripts & Schedules:** Returning recipients must furnish copies of transcripts (unofficial transcript from University website account acceptable) and next semester's schedule postmarked no later than September 30th for Fall and January 31st for Spring semester to qualify for the subsequent scholarship payment. (Emailed schedules and transcripts are acceptable).
4. **Funds Disbursement:** Upon verification of current enrollment and proof that all requirements have been met, recipients will be mailed a check. The funds will be sent to the address provided on the application unless other instructions are indicated. In case of an address change, the recipient is responsible for notifying the API Scholarship Chairman so the funds will be mailed to the correct address. Any returned funds will be forfeited after 60 days, if not claimed. Scholarship checks will also be available for pick up at the August and September API meetings for the Fall Semester and in January and February for the Spring Semesters.
5. **Scholarship Probation:** Undergraduate Scholarship recipients that fail to complete 12 hours are disqualified for the following scholarship semester. Scholarship recipients that fail to maintain a 2.0 GPA per semester or quarter will be put on Scholarship Probation for the following semester or quarter. During the probationary semester or quarter, the scholarship increment will not be awarded. If the student fulfills the scholarship guidelines during the probationary period, the scholarship will be reinstated in full.
6. **Scholarship Termination:** Only one probationary semester will be allowed during the term of the scholarship. The second time a recipient fails to meet the guidelines, the scholarship is terminated. Any scholarship which is not awarded in full will be terminated and the money returned to the scholarship fund for future scholarships.

Internship:

An upper-classman is allowed one semester of internship without penalty of losing the scholarship for the next semester. Proof of internship must be submitted to the Scholarship Chairman at the end of the semester. A letter from the company will serve as written documentation.



Requirements:

For High School Students

1. An application form must be completed, signed and dated.
2. All applicants must provide a certified copy of their grade transcripts from the high school. GPA & class ranking will be verified.
3. Scholastic Recognition: SAT or ACT scores are required. Scores must be verified by a high school counselor.
4. **FINAL POSTMARK DEADLINE: March 31, 2012**

For Students Currently Enrolled in College Courses

1. An application form must be completed, signed and dated.
2. All applicants must provide current transcripts.
3. All applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale or equivalent.
4. **FINAL POSTMARK DEADLINE: March 31, 2012**

EVALUATION PROCEDURE

- For the purposes of evaluation of applicants, an evaluation committee selected by the API Scholarship Chairman will review all properly completed applications. Incomplete applications will not be accepted for consideration.
- The API Board of Directors reserves the right to change and amend all rules and guidelines at any time that it deems necessary.
- Final approval and notification of each scholarship recipient will be made by the API Scholarship Chairman after May 1, 2012.
- Recipients will be invited and urged to attend the API Scholarship meeting and dinner to be held on Tuesday, May 8, 2012 for the presentation of the scholarship awards.

General Scholarship Information:

Contact:

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Access the Online Scholarship Application at: www.brazosvalleyapi.com

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March 31, 2012

Applicants are urged to apply early. No late applications will be considered.

Mail all Scholarship Documentation to:

Brazos Valley API Scholarship
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