

## **Stephens Scholarship for Journalism/Public Relations Information Sheet**

Offered by  
Higher Education Task Force  
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The Central Texas Conference Higher Education Task Force is the administrator of the **Stephens Scholarship for Journalism/Public Relations**.

The Stephens Scholarship, a \$1000 grant for any academic year, will be awarded to a United Methodist student preparing for a career in journalism/public relations.

The criteria for consideration include:

1. Membership in the United Methodist Church for at least one year and current membership in a United Methodist congregation.
2. Nomination by the pastor and chairperson of Higher Education of a congregation within the bounds of the Central Texas Conference that participated in the United Methodist Student Day offering in the year preceding the nomination.
3. Evidence that the student is one who will help undergird The United Methodist Church now, and potentially, in the future and that the individual nominee merits this special recognition.
4. On a separate sheet, please give additional information that would guide the scholarship subcommittee in determining the merit of the applicant and give a brief statement on how their education will help undergird good communications in the United Methodist Church.

**Each local church is invited to nominate no more than one student annually** for the Central Texas Conference Stephens Scholarship by completing an official form and sending it, as instructed on or before **May 1**.

The Stephens Scholarship recipient will be announced at Annual Conference.

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**The Local Church Student Recommendation:**

The \_\_\_\_\_  
(church name and city)  
recommends \_\_\_\_\_  
(student's name)  
as a candidate for the Stephens Scholarship for the school year 20\_\_\_\_ to 20\_\_\_\_\_.

This certifies that this student has been accepted at the following school:

School: \_\_\_\_\_

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by \_\_\_\_\_, Pastor  
\_\_\_\_\_, Local church chairperson  
of Higher Education.

**Certification of United Methodist Membership:**

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_  
(student's name)  
has been a member of the United Methodist Church for least one year and is presently a member of:

\_\_\_\_\_ United Methodist Church in \_\_\_\_\_  
(church name) (city)

Signed by: \_\_\_\_\_, Pastor

**Certification of Church's Participation in the United Methodist Student Day Offering:**

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_  
(church name)

remitted to the Central Texas Conference Treasurer an offering for the United Methodist Student Day for the calendar year immediately preceding this year of this recommendation.

Signed by \_\_\_\_\_  
(Pastor or Higher Education chairperson)

**Confidential Information to be supplied by Pastor:**

1. Has the nominee been an active participant in the program of your church? \_\_Yes \_\_ No
2. Does the nominee have Christian leadership ability? \_\_\_Yes \_\_ No
3. Do you know of any reason why this nominee should not be awarded the Central Texas Conference Stephens Scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_ No

**Confidential Information to be supplied by Student:**

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended Vocation: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Occupation(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Combined Gross Annual Income: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of persons dependent on above income and indicate age of minors: \_\_\_\_\_

**Requirement of Student applying for the Conference Stephens Scholarship for Journalism/Public Relations:**

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