



STEPHEN F. AUSTIN  
STATE UNIVERSITY  
School of Honors

## *Hoops for Scholars Award*

The School of Honors at Stephen F. Austin is pleased to announce the competition for the *Hoops for Scholars* scholarship award. The *Hoops for Scholars* award endowed funds are raised by the PURPLE PRIDE Fast Break Booster Club. The supervision of this award is directed by the School of Honors through the granting authority of the SFASU Foundation.

To be eligible for consideration for the *Hoops for Scholars* award a student must:

- be a high school senior with clear admission to SFA, and
- be a National Merit Scholar® or National Merit Finalist, and
- have either a minimum New SAT reasoning score of 1290 (not including writing), or an ACT composite score of 27 (not including writing) as submitted to SFA Admissions, and
- complete the SFA Scholarship Application through mySFA (see instructions below.)

In late spring of each year, the School of Honors will announce award winners. Each recipient will receive up to \$2,500 per semester, based on fund income, for up to eight semesters of study at SFA. The maximum any recipient can receive from this scholarship is \$20,000.

Recipients must maintain a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of no less than 3.25 on the University's 4.0 scale. They must participate in the School of Honors and earn at least three hours of Honors credit (essentially, one Honors course) per semester until a minimum of twenty-five hours is completed. This will entitle the student to graduate with the University Scholar designation on their SFA diploma.

Outside achievements will be considered in the awards process. Among these might be artistic efforts, professional or occupational activities, significant volunteer work, or worthy activities of other types.

To apply, please complete the following by February 1.

1. Scholarship applicants must have applied to SFA to obtain access to their mySFA account.
2. The SFA Scholarship Application can be accessed online through students' mySFA account by selecting the *Financial Aid* tab, then selecting *Apply for Scholarship Opportunities*. Within the application, under the School of Honors section:
  - a. Complete the 300-600 word essay "Describe a time you failed and what you learned from that failure."
  - b. Request up to three references from teacher(s) or professor(s) by submitting their name and email address. A link to the online scholarship reference form will be emailed.

### [Scholarship application questions?](#)

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