

# SBTC Scholarship Policies

Southern Baptists of Texas Convention (SBTC) Scholarship Policies

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## Applicant Requirements:

- Member in Good Standing at a Church Affiliated with the Southern Baptists of Texas Convention (SBTC)
- Student at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary (including their undergraduate program) or a student at an SBC seminary.

## How to Apply:

Step 1: Complete the [application form](#).

Step 2: Ask 2 references (see requirements below) to complete a [reference form](#).

### Reference Requirements:

#### 1) Pastoral Reference

Each student must submit a reference from their current pastor. If the student is the pastor or related to the pastor, please request a reference from a Church Elder, Chairman of the Deacons, or another Pastor/Church Staff.

#### 2) Ministry/Mentor Reference OR Professional Reference

Ministry/Mentor Reference Examples: Church Staff Member, Deacon, Mentor, Discipleship/Bible Study Leader, etc.

Professional Reference Examples: Professor, Employer, Supervisor, etc.

- To be eligible for scholarship consideration, complete applications and all required references must be received by the SBTC by the published deadline. Applicants are responsible for following-up with references to ensure the form is submitted by the deadline.
- Please contact the SBTC to request a paper copy of the application and reference form. All paper applications and forms must be received in the SBTC office by the deadline.

## Scholarship Awards:

- All scholarship awards are subject to availability of funding.
- The scholarship can be used only to cover school tuition and fees.
- Scholarship awards are released to the appropriate school along with the name and ID number of the scholarship recipient. The school is responsible for applying the funds appropriately to the student's account.
- All scholarship awards that are not used for the intended purpose, student, and semester will revert to the SBTC.

## Scholarship Notes:

- Submitting an application and references does NOT GUARANTEE a scholarship award.
- Scholarships are awarded on a single semester basis. Students who receive a scholarship for one school semester MUST RE-APPLY for the scholarship each school semester. Students who re-apply are NOT GUARANTEED a scholarship for future semesters.
- Scholarship recipients will be notified by email.

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