



# Texas Division on Career Development and Transition

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of the Council for Exceptional Children*

## TEXAS DCDT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The **Texas Division on Career Development and Transition (Texas DCDT)** is seeking applications for the award a \$500 scholarship to students pursuing Texas teacher certification in secondary education and special education with an emphasis on transition. The scholarship application is available for download on the Texas DCDT website at <http://www.texasdcdt.org/>.

### Application Guidelines

- The deadline for application is the May 15, 2016.
- Only fully completed applications will be considered.
  - Part I – General Information
  - Part II – Essay
  - Part III – Required Documentation
  - Part IV – Signatures
- All applicants must be a current member of the Texas DCDT.\*
- All applicants must provide verification of enrollment in a Texas teacher education program with an emphasis on secondary special education and secondary transition planning.
- The application must include a recommendation from the applicant's certification program advisor.
- Scholarship applications will be reviewed by the Texas DCDT Executive Committee.
- The scholarship recipient will be notified no later than June 30, 2016.
- Scholarship funds will be provided in the form of reimbursement to the scholarship recipient. A receipt for payment of tuition and/or books for which the funds will be used must be provided to the Treasurer of the Texas DCDT within one year of the scholarship award date.

### **Applications may be submitted by mail or email to the following:**

Texas Division on Career Development and Transition  
7225 Retriever Lane  
Fort Worth, Texas 76120  
[sarsped@gmail.com](mailto:sarsped@gmail.com)

### **Questions about the scholarship and/or application completion should be directed to:**

Sharon Rutherford, President, Texas DCDT  
[sarsped@gmail.com](mailto:sarsped@gmail.com)  
817-296-0603

\*To become a member of Texas DCDT:

- Join the *Council for Exceptional Children (CEC)* at <http://www.cec.sped.org/membership>
- Select *Division on Career Development and Transition (DCDT)* as your special interest division.
- Total minimum cost is \$85 (\$65 for the CEC basic membership plus \$20 for DCDT division membership.)
- You will then be a member of CEC, DCDT, Texas CEC and Texas DCDT.



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APPLICATION PART I – GENERAL INFORMATION		
<b>APPLICANT INFORMATION</b>		
Name:		
Current address:		
City:	State:	ZIP Code:
Email:	Phone:	Phone:
<b>TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM INFORMATION</b>		
Institution of Higher Education:	Location (Campus; City/State)	
Degree program:	Certification program:	
Next enrollment (semester/date):	Graduation/completion date:	
Teacher education program advisor:	Phone:	Email:
<b>EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND</b>		
High School:	Location:	Diploma/Date:
College/University:	Location:	Degree/Date:
College/University:	Location:	Degree/Date:
College/University:	Location:	Degree/Date:
<b>EMPLOYMENT HISTORY</b>		
Employer:	City/State:	
Position:	Dates employed:	
Employer:	City/State:	
Position:	Dates employed:	
Employer:	City/State:	
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### APPLICATION PART II – ESSAY

In 500 words or less, describe your current career goals as they relate to secondary transition. Include the following in your response.

- Reasons for pursuing Texas teacher certification and secondary special education
- Beliefs about the role of transition planning in student success and post-school outcomes
- How this scholarship will assist you in pursuing your goals



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### APPLICATION PART III – REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION

Submit copies of the following with your application.

- 1) Three letters of recommendation:
  - Teacher certification program advisor
  - Current or most recent employer (if not currently employed, someone who can speak to your work ethic)
  - Character reference from school, community, or work colleague
- 2) Copy of degree plan or other verification of current or pending enrollment in a Texas teacher education program with an emphasis on secondary special education and secondary transition planning
- 2) Copy of most current transcript (official transcript is not required)

### APPLICATION PART IV – SIGNATURES

***All information provided as a part of this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.***

I (we) authorize the Texas Division on Career Development and Transition (Texas DCDT) to release application information for general announcement purposes.

Signature of applicant:

Date:

Signature of teacher program advisor:

Date:

**APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED UNTIL ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTATION HAS BEEN PROVIDED**