

**Eligibility Criteria**  
**For the Joe Hornsby III Scholarship Fund of the**  
**Mesquite Independent School District**

**Eligibility Generally**

To be eligible for a Joe Hornsby III Scholarship, applicants must satisfy the following criteria.

1. Applicants must be planning to attend or be enrolled in an undergraduate program in an accredited college or university or a technical training program.
2. Applicants must be a graduating senior of a high school from within Mesquite Independent School District.
3. Priority will be given to students with special needs, visually impaired, physical disabilities, autism and/or Asperger syndrome.
4. Applicants must have a minimum of a C average during high school (2.0 on a 4.0 grading scale).

**Application Process**

1. The Mesquite Independent School District will publicize the availability of the Joe Hornsby III Scholarships every year.
2. Applicants for the Joe Hornsby Scholarships will be accepted beginning January 1 of each year.
3. Applicants will be required to submit an application to the Mesquite ISD. The application will also include a personal essay and references.

**Scholarship Criteria**

The Scholarship Selection Committee will consider the following factors in the priority order listed in recommending applicants for the Joe Hornsby III Scholarships.

1. Prior academic performance, as reflected by grade point averages or class rank.
2. Academic merit, as reflected by grade point averages, class rank, and performance on standardized aptitude test such as SAT and ACT.
3. Personal virtues, desire for higher education and accomplishments as reflected in an essay submitted with application.
4. Recommendations from teachers and other persons who are not related to the candidate.

## **Renewal of Scholarships**

1. Each scholarship will be awarded for a one-year period. A past scholarship recipient may receive an additional award for a period of up to one year, but must apply for renewal of his/her Joe Hornsby III Scholarship.
2. To be considered for renewal of a Joe Hornsby III Scholarship, a candidate must submit the following to the Mesquite Independent School District.
  - a. Have maintained at least a C average (2.0 on a 4.0 point scale)
  - b. Submit a letter of request
  - c. Submit a certified transcript
  - d. Submit a personal statement reporting on their accomplishments from the past year and plans for the upcoming school year.
3. The Scholarship Selection Committee will use the same criteria for awarding a renewal scholarship as apply to first-time scholarships.

## **Other Information**

1. One scholarship will be awarded in the amount of \$1,000.00 per semester for a total of \$2,000.00 per year for a new, qualifying applicant. Previous recipients may apply for the possibility of a renewal scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00.
2. Scholarships may be used to pay for tuition, fees and books.
3. Scholarship funds will be provided directly to the college or university. Any funds not used shall be returned to the Joe Hornsby III LilyPad Fund through The Dallas Foundation.
4. Deadline for applications is April 28, 2017.

JOE HORNSBY III SCHOLARSHIP FUND

for  
Special Needs Young Adults

2017 APPLICATION  
Deadline – April 28, 2017

Name \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ G.P.A \_\_\_\_\_ Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Address of Father's Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Address of Mother's Employer \_\_\_\_\_

No. of Children at home: Brothers \_\_\_\_\_ Sisters \_\_\_\_\_ Other Dependents \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate combined annual income of family \_\_\_\_\_

What school or college do you plan to attend? \_\_\_\_\_

What course of study do you plan to attend? \_\_\_\_\_

How do you expect to finance your college education? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

- Provide a high school transcript with a G.P.A. of 2.0 or better.
- Provide a typed list of school activities and honors received, if applicable.
- Provide a typed list of community activities and honors received, if applicable.
- Provide a typed list of jobs that you have held, if applicable.

- Attach a one page typed statement concerning your goals in life, future education pursuits, personal beliefs and why having a higher education is important to you.
- Provide two letters of recommendation.

List two of your high school faculty to whom inquiry may be made.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

List two persons, not related to you (outside of school personnel), who know you well. Give name, address and phone number.

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_

SAT Score \_\_\_\_\_  
                  Reading            Math            Writing            Date

ACT Score \_\_\_\_\_  
  Date

\* Attach additional pages if more space is needed.