

2026 Clan Graham Scholarship

Each year, Clan Graham is honored to have the opportunity to award a scholarship. Selection of the scholarship recipient is based on a specific number of factors with special emphasis on the individual's character, personal merit, and background. Merit is demonstrated in a variety of ways including academic achievement, leadership in school, civil, and other extracurricular activities, and motivation to serve and succeed in all endeavors.

A student may apply for a scholarship if he/she is:

1. currently a full-time secondary school senior or current college/university/trade/technical student pursuing an undergraduate degree or certification
2. planning to pursue a degree or certification at an accredited post-secondary or trade/technical institution
3. has an average of 80 (or letter grade equivalent) or better
4. can prove John Graham and Mary Pennington ancestry
5. the applicant's immediate family for which he/she is a legal dependent must be paying current dues to Clan Graham, otherwise the applicant must pay dues personally. **To be eligible for the scholarship, the applicant's dues must be paid no later than May 15 of the year for which the application is being submitted.**
6. additional requirements (see application)
7. Applicants are encouraged to obtain a mailing date verification receipt from the mailing service used.

Money for the scholarships is raised through donations and auctions at the annual reunion. If you would like to donate to the scholarship fund, our treasurer would be happy to assist you. If you would like to apply for the scholarship, download the application from the following link: clangraham.com.

Clan Graham Association Scholarship Information

Revised: 4-18-2026

Selection Criteria:

One year \$1,000 scholarship

\$500 per semester starting with the fall semester.

Selection of Clan Graham Scholarship is based on a specific number of factors with special emphasis on the individual's character, personal merit and background. An applicant's merit is demonstrated in a variety of ways: academic achievement, leadership in school, civic and other extracurricular activities, and motivation to serve and succeed in all endeavors.

The Scholarship Committee may request a personal interview with any applicant if they believe it is necessary.

The Scholarship Committee will have full responsibility for selection of winner(s).

Eligibility Requirements:

A student may apply for a Clan Graham Scholarship Award if he/she is:

- A. currently a full-time secondary school senior or current college/university/trade/technical student pursuing an undergraduate degree/certification.
 - B. planning to pursue a degree or certification at an accredited post-secondary or trade/technical institution
 - C. has an average of 80 (or a letter grade equivalent) or better
 - D. can prove John Graham and Mary Pennington ancestry
 - E. the applicant's immediate family for which he/she is a legal dependent must be paying current dues to Clan Graham. Otherwise, the applicant must pay their own dues. To be eligible for the scholarship the applicant's dues must be paid no later than May 15 of the year for which the application is being submitted.
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Additional Requirements:

A. The Clan Graham Scholarship is limited to those students who have not received a full scholarship. A full scholarship is defined as a scholarship that funds 90% or more of a student's tuition, books, and fees. Should a student be awarded a Clan Graham Scholarship and later receives a full scholarship from another source, he/she must immediately notify the Chairman of the Clan Graham Scholarship Committee so the Clan Graham Scholarship may be awarded to the next eligible applicant. This includes whether a Clan Graham Scholarship recipient's present or future place of employment provides a full scholarship for his/her education, the Clan Graham scholarship must be forfeited and awarded to the next eligible applicant.

B. The recipient of the Clan Graham Scholarship must furnish the college/university/trade/technical business office address to the Scholarship Committee Chairman. Funds will be mailed to the business office only. Funds will not be given to the recipient or any other individual.

References:

Two letters of recommendation addressed to the Clan Graham Scholarship Committee from teachers, counselors, administrators, or employers are required. Have him/her comment on your recent performance and promise for future success.

Work Experience:

On a separate sheet of paper, list the activities and/or organizations in which you have participated while in high school. Include any offices you have held, honors you may have received, and any other information you consider relevant. In addition, list all job experience and/or volunteer activity in which you participated during the past four years. Indicate how many hours per week and weeks per year were spent in both jobs and volunteer activities.

Personal Statement:

Type a personal statement explaining your educational goals, why you wish to attend the institute you have chosen, why you wish to receive the scholarship, any unusual circumstances, and any other information you consider relevant to this application. Your personal statement is an important aspect of this application and is equivalent to a preliminary interview.

Ancestry:

Describe your relationship to Clan Graham (your direct lineage) and include any reunion years for which you have attended.

Complete application package and paid family Clan Graham dues must be postmarked no later than May 15 of the year submitted for consideration.

Mail application package to: CHARITY MITCHELL, 190 Carol St., Waskom, Tx. 75692.
Announcement of Winners will be made at the Clan Graham Reunion of the applicable year.

Clan Graham Scholarship

Student Application

(type or print clearly)

Applicant Information

Last Name _____ First _____ M. I. ____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Telephone H: (____) _____ C: (____) _____

Email address: _____ Social Sec. # _____

Birthdate ____/____/____

High School Information

School Name _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Graduation Date ____/____/____

Counselor's Name _____ Phone: (____) _____

Award Ceremony Date _____

Transcript Information

Students must include an official high school transcript and complete the following section. Read and complete the page titled Grade Point Average.

Please circle: TSIA2/SAT/ACT score _____ Applicant's rank _____ out of _____
Numerical/percentage average or letter grade equivalent _____

Or cumulative grade point average _____/4.0

College/Trade/Technical Institute Section

Name of college(s) or trade/technical institutes to which you will be applying: (Indicate if you have been admitted) 1 _____ Admitted Y N 2 _____ Admitted Y N
_____ Admitted Y N

Grade Point Average

There is considerable variation, at least in the State of Texas, in how secondary schools are calculating, reporting, and interpreting grade point averages. Presently each school district in Texas is permitted to establish its own policy and procedures for reporting grades and determining the grade point ratio. The State of Texas is developing a standardized procedure to be applied uniformly throughout the state. When this will take effect has not been determined.

To be fair and realistic with applicants for the Clan Graham Scholarship, the following guidelines will be followed:

- A. Select the procedure used by your school to report overall grades and/or grade point averages. (Check the correct grading scale.)

A= 4.0=100 Percent or

B=3.0 3.0=90 Numerical grade

C=2.0 2.0=80

D=1.0 1.0=70

Other (Describe)

- B. An overall minimum average of 80, or an equivalent letter grade, is required for an application to be considered.

Certification:

I certify that all the information on this form is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge. The application package becomes the property of Clan Graham and will not be returned or acknowledged. Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship awarded.

Applicant's Signature _____

Date _____

Checklist: Applicants should assemble the application package in the following order. It is the applicant's responsibility to see that this is complete, and all materials are sent together. Incomplete applications will not be processed. Applicants are responsible for obtaining any approval necessary for all data to be made available to the Scholarship Committee. All applications must be posted before or no later than May 15, 2026

1. _____ completed application
2. _____ official transcript
3. _____ reference letters
4. _____ list of work/school activities
5. _____ personal statement
6. _____ ancestry description
7. _____ sign application