



# 2026 PPA Scholarship Form

## \$1,000 Scholarship Application Form for College Students

The Panhandle Press Association and Texas Press Association awards the PPA Scholarship of \$1,000 payable over two semesters at \$500 per semester. College students must live in or be from a county served by a Panhandle Press Association member newspaper. Applicants must have completed at least 24 hours of college credit and must be majoring in a Mass Communications field of study with a demonstrated interest in Print Journalism or Advertising OR be employed by a member newspaper. Recipients must be enrolled in at least three hours of college or university mass communication courses each semester that the scholarship is awarded OR be employed or interning that semester at a professional news outlet. Students must fill out the following application and submit a 250 word essay on the subject, "My Future and Career Plans in Community Journalism."

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Hometown Newspaper \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Current Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Place of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Name of College or University \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

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

Father's Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

Mother's Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Siblings At Home or In College \_\_\_\_\_ Financial Need: (Check One) Great \_\_\_ Average \_\_\_ Slight \_\_\_

Class Hours \_\_\_\_\_ GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Degree Major \_\_\_\_\_ Degree Minor \_\_\_\_\_ (Attach Transcript)

College Newspaper or Annual Staff Experience \_\_\_\_\_ Position \_\_\_\_\_

Responsibilities \_\_\_\_\_

Favorite Subjects \_\_\_\_\_

Have You Worked for A Newspaper? \_\_\_\_\_ If So, What Publication? \_\_\_\_\_ How Long? \_\_\_\_\_

Responsibilities \_\_\_\_\_

Major College Accomplishments And/Or Honors \_\_\_\_\_

References: (Two People Familiar With Your Writing Ability, and How Associated)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Association \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Association \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Send application, essay and transcript to: Roger Estlack, Panhandle Press Association, PO Box 1110, Clarendon, Texas 79226. Judging will be conducted by the PPA Board. **Deadline to apply is June 26, 2026. Applications must be postmarked by that date.***