

Aide to Teacher Scholarship Application

Application Deadline is January 4, 2021

The Abilene Education Foundation is pleased to offer up to \$1,000 in scholarship funds to teacher aides currently employed by Abilene ISD working on becoming a certified teacher. These funds are only available to students participating in the Teacher Aide to Certified Teacher - McMurry University program. McMurry has established a formal partnership with Abilene ISD to offer aides a special tuition rate, courses at times outside regular school hours, and the option for a clinical teaching or paid internship with a bachelor's degree upon graduation. Students who successfully complete the program will be eligible for a standard Texas teaching certificate. Applicants who have not yet enrolled, but are interested may contact Admissions at admissions@mcm.edu. Scholarship applicants must be enrolled in courses before funds will be dispersed, and proof will be required.

Full Name *

First Name Middle Name Last Name

Date



Month Day Year

Current Address *

Street Address

Street Address Line 2

City State / Province

Postal / Zip Code Country

Email Address *

Cell Phone Number *

Area Code

Phone Number

Home Phone Number *

Area Code

Phone Number

Education Information

High School *

High School graduation year *

Previous colleges attended (if applicable)

Did you graduate from college *

YES

NO

Number of hours completed

Are you currently enrolled at McMurry University in the education department? *

YES

McMurry ID Number

Are you currently enrolled at another college/university?

Yes

No

Awaiting Admission Decision

Where?

Anticipated number of hours completed as of end of Spring 2020

Anticipated Graduation Date

Have you received an award for the Aide to Teacher program from AEF before?

Yes

No

For what Semester?

Abilene ISD Information

Current AISD Campus & Position

AISD Employee Number

Number of years with AISD

Total number of years as an aide or in education

Earliest possible date you could begin teaching in AISD

Do you work more than one job?

Yes

No

Please describe your second/third job and hours per week

Essay and Letters of Recommendation

Please answer the following question in 500 words or less (typed) and upload below:

Why do you want to be an educator in AISD? How can a scholarship help you reach your dream of being a teacher and working with children?

Please send two letters of recommendation from:

1. AISD or campus supervisor, OR campus principal, OR a supervising teacher
2. AND a McMurry professor or advisor
3. If you have not taken a class yet at McMurry you may use two letters from #1 (i.e. one letter from your principal and one from a supervising teacher).

Please ask recommenders to **MAIL** their letters on official letterhead and sealed envelope to:

Abilene Education Foundation

ATTN: Aide to Teacher Program

P.O. Box 1999

Abilene, TX 79604

If in AISD, may send via interoffice mail (pony) to One AISD Center/AEF/#306.

Additional Information:

Completed applications must be postmarked by Thursday, August 6th, and may be mailed to the address noted above or you may apply online. Once proof of enrollment is delivered by the student then the funds will be dispersed to McMurry and applied to the student's account.

Questions? Contact Christine Curtis-Carr at christine.curtis-carr@abileneisd.org or 325-677-1444 ext. 2616.