

**Think Higher Education**

**Go Local Scholarship**

**Guidelines and Application Packet**  
**For the**  
**2015 – 2016 School Year**

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**Tooele Applied Technology College**  
**Tooele County School District**  
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Go Local scholarships are being awarded to senior students or junior students graduating early from Tooele County School District High Schools at the end of the 2015 – 2016 school year. It is hoped that Go Local scholarships will serve as an incentive to students desiring to continue their education locally here in Tooele County.

With the presence of the Tooele Applied Technology College and Utah State University – Tooele Campus, students can stay at home and become well qualified for the workforce or earn a college degree without leaving the community. This presents a substantial savings to many students and their families in their pursuit of higher education.

The “Go Local” scholarships will be in the amount of \$500 and must be used by the award winning students to attend the Tooele Applied Technology College or the Tooele Campus of Utah State University. It is anticipated that up to six scholarships will be awarded - one for each high school in the school district.

The availability of this scholarship will be promoted by the Tooele Education Foundation and all high schools in the Tooele School District.

The application deadline for the 2015– 2016 school years is Friday, April 15, 2016. The scholarship winners will be announced near the end of the school year.

Tooele Education Foundation will assemble a committee to judge the scholarship applications and will select the students to receive the scholarship from those applicants who apply. The award will be made at high school award ceremonies or directly to the student.

## **General Information**

1. Students must submit their application using the prescribed application forms attached to these guidelines.
2. Senior students or junior students graduating early from any one of the six Tooele County School District High Schools may apply.
3. Payments of the scholarship will be made at the time of or soon after the scholarship is presented. The student may be requested to provide a copy of their acceptance and registration from the TATC or Utah State University he/she will be attending prior to receipt of the check. The check may also be sent directly to the TATC or USU at the discretion of TEF.
4. Dependent children of Foundation Board of Directors members and judging committee members are not eligible for the scholarship.
5. Applications must be completed and submitted for the 2015 – 2016 school year to the High School scholarship coordinator or school counselor prior to the end of the school day on Friday, April 15, 2016.

## **Go Local Scholarship Preferences and Areas of Special Interest**

These scholarships are being established to help needy and qualified students who may require special help with expenses related to pursuing advanced training and higher education. They are being established to encourage students to pursue their higher education and training needs locally by attending the TATC or USU Tooele Campus. Factors that will weigh heavily in the selection process include:

- The quality, completeness and content of the application.
- The quality and content of the letter of recommendation.
- The quality of the essay and the explanation of need and desire.
- Demonstrated interest and / or aptitude in the student's anticipated field of study.
- Students with substantial need.
- Demonstrated commitment to attend the TATC or USU – Tooele Campus.

## **Rating and Scoring of Application:**

Scoring and evaluation of scholarship application will be weighted in the following areas. Please read and understand how application will be rated: 100 points shall be divided into the following areas:

Leadership and Service	30 points possible
Quality of Essay	50 points possible
Recommendation Letter	10 points possible
GPA/ACT Scores	10 points possible

## **Go Local Scholarship Application Form**

**The following application must be completed and submitted for the 2015 – 2016 school year to the High School Scholarship Coordinator or High School Counselor prior to the end of the school day on Friday, April 15, 2016.**

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of School: \_\_\_\_\_

Student Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Student's Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Additional Information Required:**

High school GPA Overall \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a certified transcript of credit from your high school including ACT score.

Which institution do you plan to attend? Tooele Applied Technical College \_\_\_\_\_

Utah State University – Tooele Campus \_\_\_\_\_

As of the date of this application, have you applied to and been accepted to the institution of your choice? Yes (  ) No (  )

Course of study or training that you plan to pursue: \_\_\_\_\_

What semester or date do you plan to begin your studies? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received other scholarships? Yes (  ) No (  ) If yes, please name them and indicate the amount of support being provided by each.

Do you understand that this scholarship can only be used at the TATC or Utah State University – Tooele Regional Campus? Yes (  ) No (  )

**Information about your family: (information provided is strictly confidential and will be used only to assess the merits of the application.)**

Father's occupation / employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's occupation / employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of dependent siblings living in your home: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of dependant siblings  
(excluding yourself) attending college or on a mission if any: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of siblings serving in the military: \_\_\_\_\_

Are there other special economic situations that warrant consideration? If so, please explain:

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**Specific Application Information:**

Requirements for the Go Local Scholarship are:

1. Complete all application form information.
2. Be sure you are **complying with all those application requirements of the TATC and USU.**
3. Demonstrate that you have maintained a **cumulative GPA of 2.5** or higher during your high school career.
4. Attach a **certified transcript of credit** from your high school including your ACT test scores.
5. Write and **submit an essay** about yourself and **explain why you deserve to be considered for this scholarship.** Include an explanation of your **leadership and community service.** **Be sure to explain** why you need this support and **why you want to remain in Tooele County to advance your education.** Essays may not exceed 800 words.
6. Include **one letter of recommendation** from a teacher, community leader, employer or someone who has the ability to speak to your character, needs, the leadership and service you have provided and your educational intentions.
7. Scholarships need to be used within the academic year following high school graduation.
8. Be willing to maintain contact with the Foundation, provide follow-up information and provide a written report on the use of the scholarship funds and progress you have made in advancing your education following the first year of post secondary education.

**Please do not bind your application materials or submit them in plastic page holders.**

**Assemble all materials requested and submit them prior to the end of the school day on**

**Friday, April 15, 2016.**  
**Late applications will not be accepted.**