

The Willis Scholarship
Sponsored by Dr. April & Matthew Willis

Purpose: The purpose of The Willis Scholarship is to invest in students who can prove they will make a difference in the world by leading with confidence and integrity. Using the guidance of the book, *Overeducated & Under Experienced: Navigating a Saturated Workforce* by Dr. April Willis, students will focus on excelling academically to ultimately achieve professional success.

Scholarship Description: A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a qualified student who meets all eligibility requirements, completes the application, and completes the required activities in their entirety. The scholarship will be given in the form of a check to the student's university in his/her name and applied to the student's tuition. If the tuition has already been paid in full, then the student will receive a refund check from the university and may use that money to purchase textbooks, supplies, or other college-related expenses.

Eligible applicants must identify with ALL of the following criteria:

- Current high school senior who will be attending a college or university in the Fall of 2023
- Current GPA of at least 2.60
- Currently attending and will graduate from high school in one of the following ISDs or Charter Schools in Texas:
 - Hutto ISD
 - Round Rock ISD
 - Pflugerville ISD
 - Taylor ISD
 - Georgetown ISD
 - Hurst-Euless-Bedford ISD
 - Leander ISD
 - NYOS Charter School in Austin
 - Gateway College Prep in Georgetown
 - Austin Achieve
 - Chaparral Star Academy
 - Granger ISD

How to Apply for the Scholarship:

- Complete the brief, attached application
- Complete the following activities from the book, *Overeducated & Under Experienced: Navigating a Saturated Workforce* by Dr. April Willis (**available by request at your school or CTE center** or can be purchased on Amazon)
 - Chapter 1: Action Steps 1-5
 - Chapter 2: Action Steps 4-9
 - Chapter 5: Action Steps 1-2**
 - Chapter 6: Action Steps 1-2
 - Chapter 7: Action Steps 1-2**
 - Chapter 8: Action Steps 1-3
 - Chapter 11: Action Steps 1-4
- ****Weighted activities**
- Ensure each activity response is appropriately titled with the corresponding chapter number and action step number. **Creativity and professionalism are valued.** *Incomplete applications will not be considered for the scholarship award.*
- Email the **completed application and the completed activities** to draprilwillis@gmail.com
- **Deadline: Friday, April 21, 2023**

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Amount: \$1,000

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Please type or write legibly with blue or black ink.

First Name _____ Last Name _____ Today's Date _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Best Phone Number _____ Email _____

Date of Birth _____ Current High School _____ Current GPA _____

Will you graduate from high school in the Spring of 2023? Yes No

Name of the college or university you will attend in the Fall of 2023 _____

Declared Major _____

By checking this box, you are attesting that all information in this application is true and accurate.

I agree **I do not agree**

By checking this box, you are attesting that you have completed the action steps portion of this submission solely and are not submitting the work of others as your own.

I agree **I do not agree**

By checking this box, you are attesting that if you are awarded the scholarship, you will use the funds for education-related expenses including but not limited to tuition assistance, textbooks, or other similar expenses.

I agree **I do not agree**

**If you do not agree to all three statements, please do not submit an application.*

Signature

Date

**The signature must be an original in blue or black ink, not typed in.*

The Willis Scholarship does not discriminate on the basis of race, national or ethnic origin, sex, sexual preference, disability, veteran status, genetic information, income, or age, in the eligibility, selection, or award of the scholarship.