



Tennessee Scholastic Clay Target Program

Robert E. Tipton Memorial Scholarship Application

Eligibility Requirements:

- Current Tennessee SCTP Athlete
- Graduating High School Senior (Class of 2025)
- Minimum 3.0 Grade Point Average

Scholarship Application Must Include:

- **Application:** Complete and accurate application
- **Essay:** Please write and submit an essay answering the following prompt:
 - *Since 1937, hunters and target shooters have been the primary source of funding for wildlife conservation--through license fees and an excise tax on sporting goods. Explain how you would recruit more of your peers into the shooting sports to help fund wildlife conservation? (Imagine some of your peers have never heard of the shooting sports before.)*
 - Essays should be a minimum of 1,000 words, typed, double-spaced, and in a plain text font such as Times New Roman, Arial, Calibri or Helvetica.
 - Please do not put your name on the essay to keep the scholarship committee's nominations blind.
- **Head Coach Referral:** Letter of recommendation (with contact information)
- **Teacher/Educator Referral:** Letter of recommendation (with contact information)
- **Academic Records:** An official sealed transcript and a copy of most recent report card sent via mail

Scholarship Timeline:

- **Deadline:** Scholarship applications are due by 11:59 PM CST, July 1, 2025
- **Notification:** All scholarship recipients will be notified after the Scholastic Clay Target Program National Championships
- **Presentation:** All scholarship winners will be awarded their scholarships at the Tennessee SCTP Academic All-State Banquet at Maury County Gun Club

To be considered, complete applications must be submitted to lbarnes@tnwf.org by July 1, 2025.

***Official sealed transcripts should be sent to: Tennessee Wildlife Federation,
ATTN: TNSCTP, 300 Orlando Avenue, Nashville, TN 37209***



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Completed scholarship applications should include all of the following. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Lauren Barnes at lbarnes@tnwf.org or (615) 353-1133 ext. 133

Required Information

- Contact information
- Name of TNSCTP Team
- High School information
- Weighted & non-weighted GPA

Required Prompts

Applicants will need to answer each prompt completely, listing activities and dates of participation (ranges are acceptable)

- Extracurricular school activities
- Community involvement & volunteerism
- Outdoor involvement (*Hunting, fishing, camping, etc.*)
- Leadership roles & offices held (*May also list qualities or activities that define your leadership abilities*)
- Tennessee SCTP Awards
- Tennessee SCTP History (*Describe your participation in the organization*)
- National Recognitions (*List any national recognitions and/or awards, including academic, extracurricular, sports related, etc.*)

Scholarship Checklist

- Application
- Essay
- Head Coach Referral
- Teacher/Educator Referral
- Academic Records

NOTE: Your application *will not be considered* if it is received late or incomplete.