



**Jeff Austin, Sr., Memorial Scholarship**

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**Charlie Hooser Memorial Scholarship**

First State Bank of Athens offers two scholarships yearly to children of First State Bank customers to aid in college education at Trinity Valley Community College. These scholarships will be in the amount of \$1,200 each. The recipients will receive \$1,200.00 in payments of \$600.00 per fall and spring semester for one year of college.

The requirements of these scholarships are:

- Applications are due by May 1st of each year. Information may be obtained through the school counselor. The recipients will be notified no later than June 1<sup>st</sup> and the funds will be distributed upon proof of payment to TVCC and the student's class schedule. Subsequent distributions will require proof of eligibility (i.e. grades and proof of credit hours) and a copy of the payment receipt.
- Two scholarships are awarded annually.
- To apply, an applicant must be a graduating high school senior and either a child of a customer of First State Bank or one who resides year round within the customer's residence and is shown as a dependent on the customer's income tax return.
- The customer must be associated with First State Bank for no less than three years as of August 1<sup>st</sup> of the year the application is made.
- The applicant must submit an application, an essay titled, **"If you had the authority to change your school in a positive way, what specific change would you make?"**, two letters of recommendation from school officials, their high school transcript, and a copy of the students THEA, ACT or SAT scores.
- The recipient must be a full time student carrying at least 12 semester hours and maintain a GPA of 2.50 or above in order to qualify for payment of the next semester's scholarship. The recipient must submit, to First State Bank, a copy of their grades prior to the spring semester. In the event a student does not qualify for the following semester's distribution due to grades or credit hours, they will be allowed to submit their required paperwork for the following semester only if all qualifications are met.
- If the customer is no longer associated with First State Bank, Athens, the scholarship will become void at the end of that semester. Forfeited scholarships are non-transferable.
- Scholarship funding will be issued to the recipient once proper documentation from Trinity Valley Community College has been provided. Fund usage is limited to tuition, fees, books, supplies, dormitory and school meal plans.