

ACET 2011 Scholarship Recipients

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Student Scholarships

Twenty \$1,000 scholarships are awarded to high school seniors who have participated in a compensatory education program in their school career.

Wade and Sandy Burroughs Scholarship

The top scoring student recipient in the state will receive the ACET scholarship in the amount of \$1,000. In addition, this student will receive the Wade and Sandy Burroughs Scholarship in the amount of \$500.

Paraprofessional Scholarships

Four \$1,000 scholarships are awarded to a paraprofessional who is working in a compensatory program and pursuing a college degree and teacher certification.

Student Scholarship Recipients



Region 1

Gerardo Vaca Jr.

Pharr-San Juan-Alamo High School

“Although I have faced many problems, I know I can and will overcome them.”

Region 2

Zorica Latkovic

Port Aransas High School

“I know what it is like to struggle and to fight just to stay in school. I believe that with good education I can reach my goals.”

Region 3

Jose Torres

Moulton High School

“I didn’t think I was going to make it, but my teachers talked to me and told me I couldn’t drop out of school. They said I was too smart to drop out.”

Region 4

Sandra Chavez

Eisenhower High School

“I was afraid of school, but a great program called ESL helped me so much. I was in a class with students that had the same problems I did.”

Region 5

Alicia Anderson

Memorial High School

“I want to use my education, my experience, and my career in law to advocate for children who cannot advocate for themselves.”

Region 6

Josue Machuca

Goodrich High School

“Everything became easier for me when I started the ESL program because it was efficient in helping me learn English.”

Region 8

Lauren Bowen

North Lamar High School

“My co-op teacher helped me get a job. I know I will be going to college.”

Region 9

Vanessa Salvador

Vernon High School

“ESL is the reason for my capabilities to perform, to pursue my aspirations, and to dream of becoming a successful individual.”

Region 10

Adariene Robinson

Terrell High School

“Although math did not get magically easier for me, my improved attitude made reaching my goal of becoming a physical therapist 100% attainable.”

Region 11

Randy Cisneros

Joshua High School

“Thanks to this program I encountered one of the most influential teachers I have ever met, Mrs. Dibert, a lady who educated me from tying my shoe laces properly to eating with my mouth shut.”

Region 12

Alba Zuniga

University High School

“I am so excited to be the first child in the family to walk the stage.”

Region 13

Nur Saleh

Manor High School

“If I had not had the support of the ESL program I would have given up and I am so happy to know that there are good people in the world who care about others.”

Region 13

Jake Whitten

Harper High School

“Without these Title 1 programs on our campus, I feel it would be much harder to meet the educational and career goals I have set for my future.”

Region 14

Souzi Assani

Jim Ned High School

“My future plan for my life is to go to college and to major in International Relations Affairs and become a Counselor.”

Region 14

Christian Myers

Haskell High School

“Through our Title 1 program, we have an extensive tutoring program called HU. Caring teachers are there to help us out with homework, missed work, extra help, etc.”

Region 15

Rebeca Paredes

San Saba High School

“I will be graduation this May and I plan to attend Howard Payne University to get a major in education.”

Region 16

Jessica Castillo

Dalhart High School

“I want to make a difference in the world. The difference might be small, but an avalanche starts with millions of small snowflakes falling from the sky.”

Region 17

Peter Klassen

Seminole High School

“Life is full of ups and downs. I have made the decision that the “downs” of life are not going to hinder me, they have made me stronger.”

Region 19

Navelly Magallanes

Socorro High School

“I know that I can count on my tutor provided to me from the State and Federal Programs, as well as everyone else in the Migrant Program, to guide me and assist me so that I can become a successful person.”

Region 20

Miryam Gonzalez

South San Antonio High School

“Through the help of the program and Mrs. Rentfro, my ability to read, write, and most importantly speak English has improved.”

Paraprofessional Scholarship Recipients



Mesquite ISD

Kimberly Graf

Attending Texas A&M University Commerce

“I want to become a teacher so that I will be able to develop into a true educator that acknowledges, appreciates, and respects all students’ differences.”

Bastrop ISD

Pamela Robinson

Attending University of Houston

“I have learned that all students can prosper in an educational environment that meets their specific needs.”

Boerne ISD

Melva Schrunk

Attending San Antonio College

“My personal goal is to help every child learn to the best of their abilities and create a brighter future for all.”

Amarillo ISD

Esmeralda Sanchez

Attending Paris Junior College

“I long to be a part of children’s lives. I want to educate them to the best of my ability and help them grow to their best of capacities.”

Wade and Sandy Burroughs

Recipient of Wade and Sandy Burroughs
Scholarship

Jessica Castillo
Dalhart High School