



# ***Katy Heritage Society***

# ***2025***

# ***Scholarship***

# ***Opportunity***

***APPLICATION AND ESSAY DUE VIA EMAIL ON OCTOBER 1, 2025***  
***AWARDED IN PERSON ON NOVEMBER 20, 2025***

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Katy was founded by hard working visionaries who settled wild prairie, opened businesses, and created opportunity. In the spirit of our founders this scholarship is open to anyone who is seeking education to provide for their family, advance in their career, learn a trade or pursue higher education.

### **Katy Heritage Society Scholarship Instructions**

The objective of the Katy Heritage Society, a non-profit volunteer organization, is to protect and preserve Katy's historic resources. The scholarship is funded through proceeds from the book "Historic Katy" and, other fundraisers, and contributions made by members and friends of the Society.

The Katy Heritage Society will award at least one \$1,000 scholarships in 2025.

### **Eligibility**

- Participants must be enrolled or be seeking enrollment at an accredited community college, college, university, business, vocational, continuing education program or technical school and must reside or work within the geographic boundaries of the Katy Independent School District. While this scholarship is open to any age, it was distinctly created to provide an opportunity for adults or currently employed persons who wish to further their education. to advance their professional career or improve opportunities for those seeking to provide income to care for their families.

### **Requirements**

- Participants must write an essay based on research concerned with some phase of Katy and/or the Katy area history. Topics may include notable persons.
- The paper must incorporate original research.
- The book, HISTORIC KATY, may not be a significant or main source of information.
- All research must be accurately documented in the paper. Quoted, paraphrased, and summarized information must be credited.
- Length of the paper is relevant to the content, there is no requirement for length, only that the content will contribute to the ongoing mission of the Society to preserve local history.

### **Responsibilities of the Candidate**

- All research must be personally conducted by the candidate. The applicant may begin research at any time.
- All writing and revising of the paper must be done by the applicant.
- Applicants are encouraged to utilize resources within the community.

### **Rules for Submission**

- Candidates must submit their entry by October 1, 2025.
- The paper is to be attached to a scholarship application form from the on-line packet.

## **Judging Procedures**

- To maintain impartiality, any references to the identity of the author will be removed or disguised. Judges will not know the identity of the author of all research papers submitted for consideration.
- A team of judges will evaluate the papers.
- Papers will be judged on historical accuracy, impact of the topic on Katy history, and literary merit.

## **Scholarship Award**

- One (1) winner will receive a scholarship in the amount of up to one thousand dollars and zero cents (\$1,000.00). The scholarship will be in the form of a check made payable to the institution of higher education attended by the scholarship recipient (once the scholarship recipient has enrolled and submitted proof of enrollment to the Katy Heritage Society). Scholarship prize recipient must submit proof of enrollment in order to receive payment.
- Scholarship may not be assigned or transferred.
- No cash equivalent prize will be awarded.
- Applicants agree to be bound by official rules and agree that if any scholarship recipient fails to provide proof of identity, is found to have violated the official rules or otherwise does not meet eligibility criteria, scholarship prize will be forfeited and the applicant who submitted the application with the next highest score will become an alternate potential scholarship prize recipient.
- Taxes on the prizes are the sole responsibility of the scholarship recipient.
- Scholarship winner will be announced at the November General Meeting of the Society.

## **Publicity**

- Except where prohibited, by accepting a scholarship prize, the scholarship recipient agrees that Katy Heritage Society may, without any limitation or further compensation or notice, use his or her name and/or likeness in all media for the purpose of advertising and promoting the Katy Heritage Society or scholarship.
- The names of the scholarship recipients of this scholarship program may be posted on the KatyHeritageSociety.com website and social media.

## **Right to Modify, Suspend or Terminate**

- In the event the Katy Heritage Society is prevented from continuing with the scholarship program by any event beyond its reasonable control, the Society shall have the right in its sole discretion to modify, suspend, or terminate the scholarship program.

## **Disposition of Research Papers**

- The research papers will become the property of the Katy Heritage Society and may be reproduced at the discretion of the Society.
- Acceptable papers may be placed in a collection at the Katy Heritage Society.

For additional information e-mail the Society at: [KatyHeritageSociety@outlook.com](mailto:KatyHeritageSociety@outlook.com)

# Katy Heritage Society Scholarship Application Form 2025

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Current occupation, job, school status: \_\_\_\_\_

Educational Background:

Institution	Years Attended	Degree/Certification Achieved
_____	_____	_____
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What are your future educational or occupational plans?

How do you intend for this scholarship to help you fulfill those plans?

List any volunteer, community service projects, or non-profit work.

Describe briefly how you intend to meet other expenses.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Attach additional pages if needed.