



Preventing Teen Pregnancies, Supporting Young Families

2015 teenNow California Scholarship Application

For expectant or parenting teens

teenNow California was organized in 1971 to serve as an advocate for the school-age parent in the State of California. The membership is composed of educators, social workers, health care providers, parents, policymakers and others committed to helping pregnant and parenting teens cope with new life challenges. TeenNow California has been awarding scholarships since 1985.

Scholarships are awarded by region. Please distribute this application to your students. A \$300 Regional Scholarship Award will be given to a senior in each TeenNow region. Each regional applicant will then compete for the STATE Scholarship of an additional \$500.

WHO MAY APPLY:

Male and female high school graduating seniors who are expectant or parenting, who are attending a high school within the state of California and who are planning to pursue further education or training after high school. **EACH APPLICANT MUST BE SPONSORED BY A CURRENT TEENNOW CALIFORNIA MEMBER.** If your sponsor is not sure whether he or she is a current member, please contact tnca@teennowcalifornia.org to check our membership records. **Any applicant who does not have a current member as a sponsor will be disqualified.** To find a potential sponsor in your area, contact us at tnca@teennowcalifornia.org.

GUIDELINES:

All completed applications must be e-mailed to: **TNCA@teennowcalifornia.org** or faxed to 619.741.9643 **no later than April 1st, 2015**

- Applicant must register in a WASC-accredited college or training institute
- Applicant must be enrolled full time with no less than 6.0 units
- All documentation of the above information must be received by January 31, 2016 or the scholarship will be forfeited

QUICK APPLICATION CHECK LIST: (please attach this cover page with your submission)

- INFORMATION
- EDUCATIONAL PLAN INFORMATION
- SPONSOR CONTACT INFORMATION
- LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION
- ESSAY (500-800 words)
- PUBLICATION AUTHORIZATION
- CURRENT PHOTOGRAPH

Applications must be faxed to #619.741.9643 or emailed to TNCA@teennowcalifornia.org

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SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

1. INFORMATION:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City _____ State: CA Zip Code: _____

Home Phone _____

Name of High School: _____

School Address: _____

School Phone _____

Principal's Name: _____

2. EDUCATIONAL PLAN: After graduating, where do you plan to continue your education?

Name of School: _____

Address: _____

When do you plan to start your education or training? Month _____ Year _____

3. SPONSOR INFORMATION: (You must be sponsored by a **CURRENT** TeenNow California Member or your submission will be disqualified)

Member Name: _____

Organization: _____

Daytime Phone _____

Region # _____ City: _____

Member's Signature: _____

4. LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION:

You must include one letter of recommendation from a teacher, an administrator, a counselor, or other school official familiar with your academic accomplishments.

ESSAY GUIDELINES: (*Please do not include your name, school or region on essay pages*)

Write an essay about your experiences as an expectant or parenting teenager. You may include your personal experiences to support the thesis of your essay. The essay must include the following:

- 500-800 words (the portion that exceeds the 800-word limit will not be considered)
- A title that relates to your essay
- Essay must support the thesis of the essay
- Proper grammar
- Correct spelling
- Be typed and double spaced

5. PUBLICATIONS AUTHORIZATION:

By signing, you are agree that teenNOW California may publish your picture and essay.

SIGNATURE: _____

Please verify your application is complete by thoroughly checking the above sections and following the directions for each section. All applications will be strictly screened using the above guidelines. Incomplete applications will not be considered, nor will applicants be notified. Please advise TeenNOW California immediately of any changes in contact information.

Please submit all documents no later than April 1st, 2015.