

The Jack Cassidy Memorial Scholarship

Application Form

The *Jack Cassidy Memorial Scholarship* is awarded annually to two graduate students earning a Masters or Doctoral degree in a literacy related field. The scholarship assists with tuition, textbooks, or costs associated with completing a thesis or dissertation.

Awarded Amount: \$500

Application Deadline: November 1, 2023

Qualifications: To be considered for the Scholarship, applicants must be attending a graduate program at a public or private University, be earning a Masters or Doctoral degree in a literacy related field, and have a current GPA of 3.0 or higher in their program of study.

How To Apply:

- Complete and submit this application form.
- Along with the completed application, attach the following documents:
 - A current Curriculum Vitae (CV) or resume that highlights your presentations and publications
 - A letter of interest that includes a brief description of the planned area of study, career goals, and a specific description of how the scholarship will be used if awarded
 - A letter of recommendation from a faculty member at the University being attended. In addition to serving as a recommendation, the letter should confirm enrollment in a graduate program within a literacy related field and whether the applicant's current academic standing includes a GPA of 3.0 or higher

The completed application form, CV/resume, and letter of interest must be emailed to TALE@texasreaders.org with the phrase *Jack Cassidy Memorial Scholarship* in the subject line.

Letters of recommendation from faculty members must be sent directly from the faculty member on university letterhead. Please inform the faculty member to email the letter to TALE@texasreaders.org with the phrase *Jack Cassidy Memorial Scholarship* in the subject line.

Additional Information:

- Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.
- Applications will be reviewed by members of the Scholarship Committee. Selection will be based on the qualifications as listed above and applicant's commitment to the literacy field.
- Finalists may be contacted for an interview.
- Applicants will be notified by email of any decisions prior to the 2023 TALE Conference.
- Awardees will be asked to submit a headshot for the TALE website, newsletter, and conference publications.
- It is possible to reapply and to be awarded the *Jack Cassidy Memorial Scholarship* for consecutive or multiple years.

Applicant's Information

Full Name:

Mailing Address:

Email Address:

Phone Number:

Institution Information

Name of Institution [Undergraduate Degree]:

Dates Attended:

Degree Earned/Field of Study:

Name of Institution [Masters Degree]:

Dates Attended:

Degree Earned/Field of Study:

Name of Institution [Doctoral Degree]:

Dates Attended:

Degree Earned/Field of Study:

If awarded, how will the scholarship funds be used? Please provide a specific description.

How did you find out about the *Jack Cassidy Memorial Scholarship*?

Applicant's Signature:

Date: