



Zenith Rising
Cultivating Leaders through Education and Fellowship
\$500 Scholarship Criteria and Application
DEADLINE: December 1, 2025

Zenith Rising (ZR) is a 501 c(3) charity that strives to teach our young people leadership skills through volunteering and active participation. We have a mission to partner with high schools to provide volunteer opportunities for our high school aged children. We believe through fellowship and education we can provide a foundation of giving that can teach leadership. Through a shared mission, enjoy in the camaraderie of working actively together to have a direct and positive impact on the world around us.

ZR will be providing scholarships to eligible recipients planning to attend or attending a college, university, or trade school in the 2026 school year. Interested and eligible students must complete the Scholarship Application and submit a video of a prepared FFA speech on an agriculture-related topic between 6-8 minutes.

The students will write and deliver a six to eight-minute speech about a current agriculture-related topic. For further information on prepared speeches please visit [the FFA/4H website](#) as an example.

The video prepared speech is then presented to a panel of judges who score the student based on the speech's oratory skills, content, composition and delivery.

Applicant Eligibility • Must be a United States citizen or be a permanent legal resident of the United States • Applicant must be any student planning to enroll or continuing enrollment in a course of study at an accredited United States college, university or trade school in **2026**

Application Procedure • The following documents must be submitted: 1. Complete application and required documents 2. Manuscript of the speech. 3. 6-8 minute video of speech uploaded to Youtube or other social media site

All documents must be submitted by email to the Director of Scholarship: rachel@zenithrising.org

A confirmation will be emailed to the applicant. If you have not received your confirmation, contact the Director of Scholarship listed below to insure forms and links to video were received : rachel@zenithrising.org

LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED and all decisions of Zenith Rising are final. Winners will be notified by the Director of Scholarship. If you have any questions regarding any portion of this application, please feel free to contact rachel@zenithrising.org

By providing your signature, you are stating that all the submitted information on the application is correct and you grant ZR right to all the work submitted. If you receive an award, you grant ZR the privilege to use your likeness and comments in promoting future scholarship awards, activities and functions for ZR. The winner will be invited to present at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo and World Class BBQ Competition at the PINOY BBQ Tent C-931 in 2026.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Personal Information Please type or print and indicate N/A for areas not applicable to you.
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| Field | Entry |
|-------------------------|-------|
| First Name | |
| Last Name | |
| Date of Birth | |
| Sex | |
| Street | |
| Address | |
| City/State | |
| Zip Code | |
| Home Phone | |
| Cell Phone | |
| Email Address | |
| Parent/Guardian | |
| Address | |
| Home Phone | |
| Link to VIDEO of Speech | |

Please indicate College, University or Trade School you plan to attend:

School Name, City and State: _____

Please provide acceptance letter or receipt of classes paid.

Optional:

Extra-Curricular Activities Please list up to 3 school organizations(FFA/4H), sports, political, or any other extra-curricular activities in which you have participated during the past four years. (List N/A if empty)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Community Service or Volunteer Work

Please list up to three community service organizations with which you have been involved, if any.

Please list your supervisors' contact information or the name of the person to whom you reported. (List N/A if empty)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Student Signature _____ Date _____