

## Tri-West Dollars for Scholars (TW\$4S) Student Profile Information

We started our \$4Scholars Chapter 8 years ago, in that time we have awarded over \$274,000 in scholarships to TWHS graduates, with an additional \$75,000 in matching grants – that’s nearly \$350,000 to TW grads!!! Now, we are here to help YOU because college is expensive! Getting started early with your profile will help you have a better chance at receiving a scholarship when you are a senior. Your completed profile will allow you to “match” to any local and national scholarships that you qualify for during your senior year. Please follow these instructions to set up and begin working on your profile.

### GET HELP:

At any point in the process, online help may be requested by clicking on the “**support**” tab at the bottom left of the screen.

Additional sources for help include the TW\$4S contacts:

**Kathy Waite 317-340-3410**

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Or

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### **YOU MUST USE GOOGLE CHROME AS YOUR BROWSER!**

**Underclassmen**, please begin your profile now. It’s much easier to plug information in throughout high school, rather than wait until your senior year and try to remember it all. For now, concentrate on the following tabs: Activities, Awards, and Employment. You may also upload documents (i.e., Award Certificates) if you choose. Any uploaded documents are for your reference, they are not required. You will update the other tabs during your senior year. ***Before 12<sup>th</sup> grade, there is no reason to enter financial information, write essays, seek online parental approval or upload transcripts.***

Please see below the instructions to help you create your profile.

#### **Create a New User:**

- 1) Log into the TWHS Webpage, click on \$4Scholars in the menu on the left of the home page. After the link opens, click on the Students & Parents tab and then “Click to login”
- 2) Select this option in blue “[Don't have an account yet? Create one here.](#)”

Enter “Tri-West” in school name field (hyphen required) and Tri-West High School will pop up. Next, click on “choose this school.”

Fill out your basic information on this page. \*\* items are required. When it asks for which school district you reside in, type in “North West” and North West Hendricks School Corporation will populate. “**North West**” **must be two words**. When it asks for your email address, type in your school email address (@hendricks.k12.in.us)  
After completing this page, check the box next to the paragraph in red, and click submit.

Click the “M” icon at the bottom of your screen to log into your school Gmail account.

Look for the email from Scholarship America. Highlight only the password in that email, no extra spaces before or after it, copy that password. Go back to your \$4S tab or click on the login link within that email. Login to Dollars for Scholars using your school email and paste the provided password you copied. Verify your password by inputting your school password. Your school password is now your password.

Important note: After your account is set up, change your email address to one that is now valid and will continue to be valid beyond your senior year in high school.

## Specific Helpful Profile Instructions:

Copies of these instructions and application forms are under links on the Student/Parent Tab.

**Underclassmen:** Specifically develop your Activities, Awards & Employment tabs as you progress through TWHS.

Most of the profile is self-explanatory. However, here are a few hints that could help you during the process. When you have fully completed a section, you'll notice the colored bar to the left of the section heading will turn green. Completion of all sections is not required, but to receive the maximum benefit possible, it is suggested that students complete all sections.

\***In the GPA Section,** check the box that says “My school uses weighted GPAs”. Our grading scale is based on a 4.0 scale. Also select the “I have high school GPA information only.” option. You will be required to fill in a field to advance. Please input your current GPA. Save and continue. This is not necessary until your senior year, but it is a nice way to keep record of your cumulative GPA as your high school career progresses.

\***In the Class Rank Section,** “Yes” Tri-West does rank students. Choose the “integer” option.

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### **FOR SENIORS ONLY:**

\***For the Financial Information Section,** - wait until you receive your “FAFSA Expected Family Contribution number (EFC)”. Once you have completed your FAFSA, you can just plug that dollar figure into the Financial Information page and the section will be complete. **Only complete the Pell Grant information if you have received one.**

*(Note: Our Phone-a-thon awards are not need-based. However, other local awards that we sponsor, as well as many state and national awards, do consider need. If you want to be considered for need-based scholarships, your correct FAFSA number must be input.)*

\***For the References Section,** you only need to request a reference IF THE SCHOLARSHIP YOU ARE APPLYING FOR REQUIRES A REFERENCE. Most of our local chapter scholarships do NOT require a reference. Phone-a-thon scholarships do NOT require a reference.

\***For the Transcripts Section,** below is the guidance counselor information you will need. Once the Guidance Department has received your request for transcript and uploaded your transcript to your file, the bar beside this section will turn green.

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317-994-4062

After you have completed your profile, for additional state & national scholarship opportunities, click on the Fastweb scholarship link under the “My Scholarships” tab and also on the “My Opporutnities” Tab.

**SENIORS: WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU FILL YOUR PROFILE OUT AND COMPLETE YOUR PHONE-A-THON (AND OTHER) APPLICATIONS/ESSAYS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. OPEN DATE IS 11/1/2018, CLOSE DATE IS 1/31/2019.**