

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

TW\$4S is a subsidiary of Scholarship America. Per Scholarship America, each scholarship applicant MUST create an online student profile. This profile will allow students to "match" to local and national scholarships.

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

YOU MUST USE GOOGLE CHROME AS YOUR BROWSER!

GET HELP:

At any point in the process, online help can be requested by clicking on the "support" tab at bottom left of the screen.

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

Kathy Waite 340-3410 JKBusiness@indy.rr.com

Or JR Prentice 403-2058

Or TWHS Guidance Office

JRdollars777@gmail.com

Create a New User:

- 1) Log into the School Webpage, click on \$4Scholars in menu on the left of the home page. After the link opens, click on "Apply for Scholarships here"
- 2) Click to "Login"
- 3) 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 pop up. "North West" must be two words.

After completing the fields, click submit at the bottom of the page.

You will then receive a "Login Information" email. Follow the link on the email and use the information provided on the email to log into your account. When you first log in, you will be prompted with a popup asking you to set your password at which point you can set it to whatever you want to use going forward. Make a note of this password. If you forget it, you'll have to contact Scholarship America to gain access back into your profile. After you set your password, you can complete your profile.

Notes on email address:

Use <u>your</u> email address – not your parents' email address. If you use your school email address, after you receive your "Login Information" email, change your email address to one that will be valid beyond your senior year in high school.

To log into your school email, you must login through the TWHS web page, not through Google or Gmail. Go to the <u>TWHS webpage</u>, click on the <u>Resource Links</u> Tab. Click on Microsoft Office and Email.

Specific Helpful Profile Instructions:

- If you lose this page or the Phone-a-Thon Application Form, you may find a copy of them on the Student/Parent Login Page main screen at the bottom. Just click on the links to locate copies of these forms.
- 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". You may obtain your GPA from the TWHS Guidance Department by requesting a transcript. Near the top, the transcript will print your GPA from each completed year at TWHS as well as your current Cumulative GPA. Filling in grade level GPA's is optional. You must fill in the "Cumulative Weighted HS GPA." Enter 4.0 for the "Cumulative Weighted GPA Scale."
- *In the Class Rank Section, "Yes" Tri-West does rank students. Choose the "integer" option.
- *For the Financial Information Section, FOR SENIORS ONLY just 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 this section will be complete. There is no need to complete the Pell Grant information. There is no need to complete the SPC information if asked.

(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 choose to be considered for need based scholarships, your FAFSA number must be input.)

*For the References/Transcripts Section, below is our guidance counselor information. 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.

Brad Acton (For last names beginning with A-K) actonb@hendricks.k12.in.us
317-994-4061

Bob Linn (For last names beginning with L-Z) linnb@hendricks.k12.in.us 317-994-4062

For additional state & national scholarship opportunities: Click on the Fastweb scholarship link under the "My Scholarships" tab in the "Scholarship America Partners Scholarship" banner.

WE RECOMMEND THAT YOU FILL YOUR PROFILE OUT AND COMPLETE YOUR PHONE-A-THON (AND OTHER) APPLICATIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE DEADLINE (February 27, 2017).