# Tru Direction, Inc. Scholarship Program
# 2027-2028 Application Instructions & Checklist

Tru Direction, Inc. will award scholarships for the upcoming school year 2027-2028. Qualified applicants may receive between $500 and $2,500 each, as determined by the TD Scholarship Committee. Scholarships may be used for any related expenses for college, university, trade school or technical school. Applicants must be attending school a minimum of 9 hours or the equivalent per semester. However, preference is given to those attending at least 12 hours. For more information on who is eligible for the scholarship, please read the FAQ.

Be as complete as possible while filling out the application. *Each portion of the application has a specific point value*. The Scholarship Committee will score each section separately. **Incomplete applications will not be considered**. The completed application, transcripts, essay and referrals must be received by **March 31st, 2027**. ***Please E-mail completed application package to jenna@trudirection.org .***

**Scoring Essay: 40 points**

Essays must be typed or neatly printed and *no more than two pages in length*. Points may be deducted for poor grammar, incorrect spelling, illegibility, or lack of neatness. Proofread carefully.

**Application: 30 points**

Indicate all activities you were involved in within the last 12 months, including school or organization offices held. Be as complete as possible. The more activities you list, the higher your potential score. If there are no activities, you may include an explanation of any special circumstances, other than work, which prevented you from being involved in extracurricular activities.

**Cumulative Grade Point Average: 15 points**

Please request an **official transcript from your school in advance to ensure that we will receive it in time to meet the March 31st scholarship application deadline**. The official high school transcript should be emailed directly from your school to: Jenna Peters, Executive Director at **jenna@trudirection.org**

**Two Referral Letters: 15 points**

One letter must be from a school counselor/advisor, teacher or other school-related referral (i.e. coach). One letter can be from a personal reference (i.e. church, volunteer organization, employer, etc.) If you have previously received a TD scholarship, please submit updated references.

**Bonus Points: 5 points**: **Bonus points will be awarded for new scholarship applicants.**

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Please complete and submit this checklist with your application papers so that they are received by the March 31st deadline.

- ☐ Completed application – signed and dated
- ☐ Completed essay (typed or neatly printed – maximum 2 pages)
- ☐ Official transcript from school (required by March 31 deadline)
- ☐ Two referral letters (can be directly emailed or mailed to below address)

  ____Referral letter #1

  ____Referral letter #2

***Submit completed application package to:***

- ***E-mail to:*** ***jenna@trudirection.org***