TEO CHEW ASSOCIATION

2025 SCHOLARSHIP

**Houston, TX**

The Teo Chew Association-Temple (TCA)has been a staple in the Houston community, supporting the greater Houston community since the 1980s. As part of the TCA’s mission to support the next generation of the Teo Chew community, we are proud to announce the second year of TCA’s scholarship. The TCA will award 4 scholarships:

* **Golden Scholarship:** Two (2), $5,000 Scholarships
* **Silver Scholarship:** Two (2), $2,500 Scholarships

**The scholarships will be awarded on any or a combination of:**

* Academic performance
* Community service
* Leadership activities
* Athletic achievements

**The applicant must meet the following minimum requirements:**

* Has a GPA of at least 3.0 or higher.
* Be an U.S. citizen or a permanent resident of the United States of America (USA).
* Attending higher education in Fall 2025 in the US, examples include:
  + Senior high school students pursuing college
  + Current college students
  + Current graduate students

**Instructions:**

* Complete Parts A through F.
* The application is available on the website: [www.teochewtemplehouston.com](http://www.teochewtemplehouston.com)
* **Submit your COMPLETED APPLICATION and ALL ATTACHMENTS:**
* **Send electronically to** [**nextgen.teochewhtx@gmail.com**](mailto:nextgen.teochewhtx@gmail.com)
  + Email subject line: “TCA Scholarship Application 2025 - *First* *and Last Name”*

**THE APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5PM ON SUNDAY, APRIL 27TH, 2025.**

\*Applications received after 5pm on Sunday, April 27th, 2025 will not be accepted\*

\*All decisions of the Teo Chew Association Houston, TX Scholarship are final\*

**SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS WILL BE NOTIFIED MAY 2025.**

*For questions, please send an email to* [*nextgen.teochewhtx@gmail.com*](mailto:nextgen.teochewhtx@gmail.com)

**PART A - CHECKLIST AND SIGNATURE PAGE**

Dear Applicant,

• Please review the minimum requirements on Page One.

• Please complete the required Parts A to F.

• Please review the below Checklist for attached pages and sign the Signature section.

• Please send/deliver the application so it is received by 5pm on Sunday, April 14th, 2024.

**CHECKLIST**

*Please place an “X” in the column for your attached and required pages:*

|  | Part A | Checklist and Signature Page |
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|  | Part B | Personal Information |
|  | Part C | Academic Information |
|  | C1 | School Transcript |
|  | C2 | SAT and/or ACT Scores (if available) |
|  | Part D | Academic and Service Activities |
|  | D1 | Academic Activity Sheet |
|  | D2 | Chinese Cultural and Educational Volunteer Activity Sheet |
|  | D3 | School, Community, and Service Activity Sheet |
|  | Part E | Athletic Activities |
|  | Part F | Essays |

**SIGNATURE**

I have completed this scholarship application and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, accurate, and complete.

Student’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student’s Signature: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

### **PART B - PERSONAL INFORMATION**

*Personal information presented in this application shall be treated confidentially by the Scholarship Committee and be disposed of after the Committee’s decisions.*

Are you a USA Citizen or Permanent Resident? Y/N \_\_\_\_\_

Are you at least 25% of Chinese ethnicity? Y/N \_\_\_\_\_

Are you Teo Chew by heritage? Y/N \_\_\_\_\_

Are you affiliated with Teo Chew Temple? Y/N \_\_\_\_\_

If so, please tell us how you are associated with the temple: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student’s Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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Student’s Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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City State Zip Code

Student’s Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Student’s email Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student’s Chinese/Vietnamese Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Father’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Mother’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian Contact Information (Email): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (Phone):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the scholarships: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

(high school, counselors, family, friends, media, website, own research, or others)

Would you be interested in volunteering at the Teo Chew Temple: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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### **PART C - ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

Name of the high school or university you currently attend: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Current Grade: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date (MMDDYYYY): \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Field of study:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

*If a senior in high school, name the college/university that you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

*Field of study: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and/or \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

**Please submit a copy of the following:**

* The high school or university transcript that covers the entire years of your attendance and
* The SAT and/or ACT scores *(for high school student applicants only)* and the scores are not on your transcript.

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### **PART D - ACADEMIC AND SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

*Please list your academic and extracurricular activities during the last four years. If you have additional activities, use ONLY additional copies of these pages. Information in attached resumes will not be considered.*

**1. ACADEMIC AND ACHIEVEMENT ACTIVITIES**

| Years in the National Honor Society (maximum of 2 years) : | \_\_\_\_ years |
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| List any National Honor Society Officer/Leadership Role: | Year of Officer: |
|  | Year of Officer: |
| List any National Merit Awards (such as Presidential Scholar, National Merit Scholar Finalist, Semi-Finalist or Honorable Mention): | Year of the Award: |
|  | Year of the Award: |
| List any National, Regional, or Special Academic Achievement Awards: | Year of the Award: |
|  | Year of the Award: |

**2. CHINESE CULTURAL AND CHINESE EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES**

*(Examples are Lion Dance, Cultural Dance, Chinese Language School, Martial Arts Class, Chinese Classical Garden, etc)*

*Please enter the TOTAL HOURS you volunteered during Y1 (Freshman Year), Y2 (Sophomore Year), etc.*

| DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY | HOURS VOLUNTEERED  Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4 | | | | ROLE/POSITION (and what year) |
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**3. SCHOOL, COMMUNITY, CHURCH/TEMPLE, AND SERVICE/VOLUNTEERING ACTIVITIES**

*(Examples are school government and clubs, musical bands and choirs, community-at-large, church or temple volunteer activities, social and civic activities, etc.)*

*Please enter the TOTAL HOURS you volunteered during Y1 (Freshman Year), Y2 (Sophomore Year), etc.*

| DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY | HOURS VOLUNTEERED  Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4 | | | | ROLE/POSITION (and what year) |
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### **PART E - ATHLETIC ACTIVITIES**

*Please list your athletic activities including those in your high school, university or community.*

**ATHLETICS / TEAM SPORTS / PERSONAL ATHLETICS / CLUB SPORTS** (Baseball, Basketball, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Dance, Football, Golf, Lacrosse, Racquetball, Rowing, Skiing, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Track and Field, Volleyball, Water Polo and Wrestling)

| ACTIVITIES | YEARS PARTICIPATED  Y1 Y2 Y3 Y4 | | | | ROLE, TEAM LEADERSHIP, AWARDS, AND HONORS (list what year) |
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### **PART F - ESSAY**

All applicants must write TWO original essays each consisting of 300-500 words.

Please attach your *typed* essays to your application.

**ESSAY #1**: Describe your long term educational, career, and personal goals.

**ESSAY #2**: Choose **ONE** of the following essay prompts:

* Tell us how being involved with the Teo Chew Temple has impacted you

**OR**

* How and why I participate in the Chinese Community

**OR**

* Tell us how being Teo Chew has impacted you most