

Clear Pathways.  
Bright Futures.

# STUDENT & FAMILY

2023 - 2024 | HANDBOOK



TARRANT  
TO & THROUGH  
PARTNERSHIP

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

# WELCOME

The Tarrant To & Through (T3) Partnership mission is to help students find success after graduating high school by earning a degree or postsecondary credential. This handbook serves as the primary resource for students & families about participation in the T3 program.

### TABLE OF CONTENTS:

<b>WELCOME</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>T3 PROGRAM PARTICIPATION</b>	<b>4</b>
BECOMING A T3 PLEDGE	4
BECOMING A T3 SCHOLAR AT T3 PARTNER COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY	5
REMAINING A T3 SCHOLAR WHILE IN COLLEGE	7
<b>T3 PARTNER COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES</b>	<b>8</b>
TARRANT COUNTY COLLEGE	8
<i>Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College Scholars)</i>	8
<i>Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 TCC Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars):</i>	9
<i>T3 Last Dollar Scholarship</i>	9
<i>Emergency Funding</i>	11
<i>Persistence Coaching/Supports</i>	11
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY	12
<i>Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College T3 Pledges)</i>	12
<i>Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 Tarleton Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars):</i>	13
<i>Scholarships</i>	13
<i>Last Dollar Scholarship</i>	13
<i>Other Important Things to Know regarding T3 Last Dollar</i>	14
<i>First Dollar Scholarship</i>	14
<i>Persistence Coaching/Supports</i>	14
<i>Current Scholar Resources</i>	15
<i>Transfer Students</i>	15
TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY	15

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

<i>Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College T3 Pledges)</i>	15
<i>Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 TCU Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars):</i>	16
<b>Scholarships</b>	16
<i>Last Dollar Scholarship</i>	16
<b>Other Important Things to Know regarding T3 Last Dollar</b>	17
<i>First Dollar Scholarship</i>	17
<i>Persistence Coaching/Supports</i>	18
<b>Current Scholar Resources</b>	18
<i>Transfer Students</i>	18
TEXAS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY	19
<i>Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College T3 Pledges)</i>	19
<i>Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 TXWES Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars):</i>	19
<i>Scholarships</i>	20
<i>Last Dollar Scholarship</i>	20
<b>Other Important Things to Know regarding T3 Last Dollar</b>	20
<i>First Dollar Scholarship</i>	21
<i>Persistence Coaching/Supports</i>	21
<i>Current Scholar Resources</i>	21
<i>Transfer Students</i>	21
TEXAS WOMAN’S UNIVERSITY	22
<i>Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College T3 Pledges)</i>	22
<i>Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 TWU Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars):</i>	22
<i>Scholarships</i>	23
<i>Last Dollar Scholarship</i>	23
<b>Other Important Things to Know regarding T3 Last Dollar</b>	23
<i>First Dollar Scholarship</i>	24
<i>Persistence Coaching/Supports</i>	24
<i>Current Scholar Resources</i>	24
<i>Transfer Students</i>	25
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT ARLINGTON	25
<i>Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College T3 Pledges)</i>	25
<i>Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 UTA Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars):</i>	26
<i>Scholarships</i>	26
<i>Last Dollar Scholarship</i>	26
<b>Other Important Things to Know regarding T3 Last Dollar</b>	26
<i>First Dollar Scholarship</i>	27
<b>Persistence Coaching/Supports</b>	27
<i>Current Scholar Resources</i>	28

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

<i>Transfer Students</i>	28
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS (DENTON)	29
<i>Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College T3 Pledges)</i>	29
<i>Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 UNT Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars): Scholarships</i>	29
<i>Last Dollar Scholarship</i>	30
<b><i>Other Important Things to Know regarding T3 Last Dollar</i></b>	30
<i>First Dollar Scholarship</i>	31
<i>Persistence Coaching/Supports</i>	31
<i>Current Scholar Resources</i>	31
<i>Transfer Students</i>	31
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS AT DALLAS	32
<i>Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College T3 Pledges)</i>	32
<i>Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 UNTD Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars): Scholarships</i>	32
<i>Last Dollar Scholarship</i>	33
<b><i>Other Important Things to Know regarding T3 Last Dollar</i></b>	33
<i>First Dollar Scholarship</i>	34
<i>Persistence Coaching/Supports</i>	34
<i>Current Scholar Resources</i>	34
<i>Transfer Students</i>	34
<b>T3 POLICIES &amp; REQUIREMENTS</b>	<b>35</b>
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT	35
T3 SCHOLAR ONBOARDING	37
TRANSFER STUDENTS	37
OPTING OUT OF THE T3 PROGRAM	39
RIGHT TO REVOKE T3 PROGRAM SUPPORTS	40
COMMUNICATION WITH T3	40
NOTIFICATION OF PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY	40
POLICY UPDATES/CHANGES	41
<b>T3 PROGRAMS &amp; SUPPORTS</b>	<b>41</b>
T3 COMMUNITY MENTORSHIP PROGRAM	41
LAST DOLLAR SCHOLARSHIPS	43
FIRST DOLLAR SCHOLARSHIPS	46
PERSISTENCE COACHING + SIGNATURE EVENTS	49
<b>T3 SCHOLAR DEADLINES BY PARTNER COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>50</b>

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

### T3 PROGRAM PARTICIPATION

	T3 Pledge	T3 Scholar
When	While in High School (Junior/Senior)	While enrolled at a T3 partner college/university
What	Virtual Support w/ Postsecondary Enrollment	Persistence Coaching First Dollar Scholarships Last Dollar Scholarships Current Student Engagement Transfer Student Support
How	Take the T3 Pledge Stay Connected via Text/E-mail	Meet T3 Pledge Commitments by required deadlines & begin classes the Fall immediately after HS graduation

### Becoming a T3 Pledge

#### Why

By taking the T3 Partnership Pledge, you gain access to a continuum of programs & supports designed to support you with enrolling in a postsecondary pathway after high school & completing a postsecondary credential or degree that leads to a successful career. Once you take the T3 Pledge, our team will be able to communicate with you, connect you with available programs & supports, & help support you with staying on track with your educational goals.

#### Policy

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

To participate in T3 programming, you must take the T3 Pledge, which is a commitment to take actions during your Senior year in high school that will position you to enroll in a postsecondary pathway with confidence.

To be eligible to take the T3 Partnership Pledge, you must:

Be a Junior or Senior at a participating Independent School District (i.e., Arlington (Lamar High School Only) Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) and high school taking the T3 Pledge begins your relationship with T3, which will begin in high school & last through completion of a degree/credential (if you enroll & attend a T3 partner college/university).

### Procedure

1. Take the T3 Pledge [here](#). Deadlines to take the T3 Pledge are as follows:
  - a. Seniors: December 1, 2023
  - b. Juniors: May 1, 2024
2. E-mail [support@T3partnership.org](mailto:support@T3partnership.org) if your contact information (i.e., phone number, e-mail address, mailing address) changes.

## Becoming a T3 Scholar at T3 Partner College/University

### Policy

Once you have taken the T3 Pledge, take the following steps to become a T3 Scholar at a T3 partner college/university & remain eligible to receive program supports & resources:

### *During your Junior Year*

The following actions are not required to become a T3 Scholar; however, they are strongly encouraged so that once you become a Senior, you are prepared to take the necessary steps to enroll in education after high school:

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

- Connect with your college & career adviser or high school guidance counselor (e.g., visit your GO center)
- Complete Texas Success Initiative Assessment (TSIA) prep courses & take the TSIA. An alternative option is Texas College Bridge.
- Explore pathways & degrees at T3's partner colleges/universities

### *During your Senior Year*

To become a T3 Scholar & remain eligible to receive program supports & resources at a T3 partner college/university, you will need to complete the following steps by the listed deadline **(the dates listed below apply to students graduating from high school in Spring 2024 – dates for future graduating classes will become available at the beginning of your senior year):**

- Take the T3 Pledge by **December 1** of your senior year in high school.
- Apply to a T3 partner college/university by the required deadline. [See deadlines by institution at the end of this handbook.](#)
- Complete a financial aid application (FAFSA/TASFA) & submit to ALL T3 partner colleges/universities you are interested in attending by the required deadline. [See deadlines by institution at the end of this handbook.](#)
- Complete the financial aid verification process & submit any additional supporting documentation by the college's deadline, as requested by partner colleges/universities if applicable.
- Graduate from a participating ISD high school (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth). This means that students who transfer to non-participating ISD's or high schools, or move out of state will not be eligible to receive T3 program supports & resources.
- Complete Texas Success Initiative Assessment (TSIA) steps required by T3 partner college/university by July 31.
- T3 Scholars attending a T3 partner college/university must register for classes & complete enrollment steps by **July 31** (4-year IHE & TCC). Students are required to enroll in classes the fall semester **immediately** following high

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

school graduation. Students who take a “gap year” (semester or year not enrolled at a college) will no longer be a T3 Scholar or eligible for scholarships and program supports.

- Complete **required** T3 Onboarding Steps (i.e., create a Profile on T3 Connect and attend Scholarship Information Session (for income eligible students only) by July 31. You will receive specific information & next steps as you approach graduation via email.

### Remaining a T3 Scholar While in College

#### Policy

To qualify for T3 program supports & resources while in college, you must enroll & attend a T3 partner college/university. Once you transition to a T3 partner college/university, you will need to maintain your eligibility year after year, by meeting requirements such as:

- Credit Hours
- Grade Point Average (GPA)
- FAFSA/TASFA
- Persistence Coaching\* + Attending T3 Signature Events\* (\*For College Freshman Only)
- Community Engagement\* (\*For College Juniors and Seniors only)

The requirements for the above-mentioned steps are outlined by each T3 partner college/university in the forthcoming sections – please refer to the T3 partner college/university you plan to attend to learn more about annual requirements to remain a T3 Scholar.



## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

### T3 PARTNER COLLEGES/UNIVERSITIES

T3 has partnered with local colleges/universities to provide students with programs & supports that are designed to assist them with completing their degree/certificate. T3 programs/supports, eligibility criteria, & deadlines vary by each T3 partner college/university & are outlined in the sections below.



### Tarrant County College

#### Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College Scholars)

- Submit an [admission application](#) to TCC by **June 15**
- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) by **June 15** & complete verification (if selected) by **August 1**
- Graduate from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth)
- Create a profile on T3 Connect by **July 31**
- Register for a minimum of 9 credit hours in Fall & Spring by **July 31\*** & start classes the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation.



## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

\*Registration is completed at orientation which may occur in August for some students, that is okay.

- **NOTE:** For certificate-earning students, you may not need 9 or more credit hours a semester to complete your program. Refer to TCC's certificate program/enrollment requirements. However, a total of 9 credit hours are required for Last Dollar Scholarship eligibility.
- Attend T3 TCC Summer Bridge Program the Summer before your first semester in college. [Click here](#) to learn more.

### Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 TCC Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars):

- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) by the college's deadline & complete verification (if selected)
- Register (minimum of 9 credit hours) for upcoming Fall semester by **May 1**
- Remain in good academic standing & meet minimum cumulative **GPA of 2.0**, following the minimum [SAP requirements](#) necessary.
- Successfully **Complete 18 hours** at TCC during Fall & Spring Combined\* (i.e., 9 hours per semester). \*Unless otherwise noted/approved by your degree plan
- Complete community engagement hours by **July 1\*** (\*For college Juniors & Seniors ONLY)

### Scholarships

Only the T3 Last Dollar Scholarship is offered to T3 Pledge students who enroll at TCC the Fall immediately following high school graduation. **NOTE:** Being a T3 Scholar does not guarantee you will receive T3 scholarships. T3 Scholars are responsible for completing all eligibility requirements as listed on the [T3 Scholarships webpage](#) to secure scholarship funding, more details below.

### T3 Last Dollar Scholarship

Eligible T3 Pledges graduating from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) with a family income of **\$120,000** or less will receive a "last dollar" tuition-only scholarship to TCC for up to 8 consecutive semesters or the completion of a certificate or degree if all criteria is met & renewal

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

requirements are maintained. Summer terms are not required but are covered. Refer to the Last Dollar Scholarship section on Page 30 for additional information.

### Summer Terms

- Effective Summer 2022, current T3 Scholars enrolled at TCC or a [T3 4-year Partner University](#) who want to take TCC summer term classes may be eligible to receive the T3 Last Dollar Scholarship to cover summer tuition costs.
- Students graduating high school wanting to take courses the summer *before* their first fall immediately following HS graduation are not eligible.
- Eligible scholars interested must meet the following criteria:
  - Apply to TCC by summer term deadline. [Click here](#) to learn more.
  - Submit FAFSA/TASFA to TCC by the college's deadline.
  - Have a family income of **\$120,000** or less.
  - Enroll in at least one course during a summer term by the [registration deadline](#).
  - Maintain a 2.0 cumulative GPA, following the minimum [SAP requirements](#) necessary.
  - **NOTE:** Please connect with an academic advisor before enrolling in summer classes to ensure your degree plan aligns with TCC requirements.

### Other Important Things to Know regarding T3 Last Dollar

- There is not a separate application process for the T3 Last Dollar Scholarship. By taking the T3 Pledge in high school, submitting your [TCC admissions application](#) & supporting financial aid documents by the deadlines, you are guaranteeing your consideration for Last Dollar.
- Eligibility and disbursements for T3 Last Dollar are completed and facilitated by TCC, not T3. Students should contact the [TCC Financial Aid office](#) directly with questions about eligibility and the disbursement process.
- If awarded the T3 Last Dollar scholarship, it will appear in your financial aid award package as "T3 Scholarship" & will be applied directly to your student account.

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

- You must meet eligibility requirements for the Last Dollar Scholarship the first semester immediately following high school graduation to be considered for this scholarship on an annual basis. Students who **do not** qualify the first semester will not be considered for the Last Dollar Scholarship in subsequent years.
- You will be re-evaluated for eligibility on an annual basis, which means if your income changes, your eligibility for this scholarship may also change.

### Emergency Funding

First Dollar Scholarships are *not* available to T3 Scholars attending TCC. However, T3 Scholars will have access to [TCC's Student Emergency Assistance Fund \(SEAF\)](#).

Eligible scholars can be approved for up to \$800 in emergency funding per academic year (up to \$500 from SEAF funds & \$300 from funds provided by the T3 Partnership). Scholars will apply for this funding by submitting a SEAF application.

### Persistence Coaching/Supports

You are required to complete the following in your first year:

- Attend T3 Signature Events (held 2x a year)
- Meet with a persistence coach/advisor\* (\*as defined by your institution) at least 2 times a semester
- Be an active member of [T3 Connect](#)

### Current Scholar Resources

- Access TCC staff members any time at [TCCT3@tccd.edu](mailto:TCCT3@tccd.edu)
- Receive monthly T3 Scholar newsletters with college updates and resources

### Transfer Students

Transfer student support includes helping you successfully transfer from TCC to a [T3 4-year Partner University](#). The following T3 partner colleges/universities offer [T3 Last Dollar Scholarships](#) to transfer students. Eligibility requirements, including family income thresholds based on the students' FAFSA/TASFA, & the **June 1\*** deadline must be met for consideration:

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

- **Tarleton State University:** Family income of \$65,000 or less
- **Texas Christian University:** Family income of \$65,000 or less
- **Texas Wesleyan University:** Family income of \$65,000 or less
- **Texas Woman's University:** Family income of \$65,000 or less
- **The University of Texas at Arlington:** Family income of \$85,000 or less\*
- **University of North Texas at Dallas:** Family income of \$65,000 or less

\*Application and FAFSA/TASFA deadlines and requirements differ for UT Arlington. Potential UTA Transfers must have an associate degree to apply and submit financial aid application and verification documents by **February 14**.

Questions? Email [TCCT3@tccd.edu](mailto:TCCT3@tccd.edu)



## Tarleton State University

Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College T3 Pledges)

- Submit an [admission application](#) to Tarleton by **February 14**
- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) by **February 14** & complete verification (if selected)
- Complete the [Tarleton Scholarship Application Form](#) by **February 15**
- Graduate from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth)
- Create a profile on T3 Connect by **July 31**
- Register for a minimum of 12 credit hours the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation by **July 31\*** & start classes the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation. \*Registration is completed on

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

2<sup>nd</sup> day of academic orientation which may occur in August for some students, that is okay.

Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 Tarleton Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars):

- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) by the college's deadline & complete verification (if selected)
- Register (minimum of 12 credit hours) for upcoming Fall semester by **May 1**
- Remain in good academic standing & meet minimum cumulative **GPA of 2.0**, following the minimum [SAP requirements](#) necessary.
- Successfully **Complete 24 hours** at Tarleton during Fall & Spring Combined\* (i.e., 12 hours per semester). \*Unless otherwise noted/approved by your degree plan
- Complete community engagement hours by **July 1\*** (\*For college Juniors & Seniors ONLY)

### Scholarships

Both T3 Last Dollar and T3 First Dollar are offered to T3 Pledge students who enroll at Tarleton the Fall immediately following high school graduation. **NOTE:** Being a T3 Scholar does not guarantee you will receive T3 scholarships. T3 Scholars are responsible for completing all eligibility requirements as listed on the [T3 Scholarships webpage](#) to secure scholarship funding, more details below.

#### Last Dollar Scholarship

Eligible T3 Pledges graduating from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) with a family income of **\$65,000** or less will receive a "last dollar" tuition-only scholarship to Tarleton for up to 8 consecutive semesters or the completion of a certificate or degree if all criteria are met & renewal requirements are maintained. Refer to the Last Dollar Scholarship section on [Page 43](#) for additional information.

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

### Other Important Things to Know regarding T3 Last Dollar

- There is not a separate application process for the T3 Last Dollar Scholarship. By taking the T3 Pledge in high school, submitting your Tarleton admissions application & supporting financial aid documents by the deadlines, you are guaranteeing your consideration for Last Dollar.
- Eligibility and disbursements for T3 Last Dollar are completed and facilitated by Tarleton, not T3. Students should contact the [Tarleton Financial Aid office](#) directly with questions about eligibility and the disbursement process.
- You must meet eligibility requirements for the Last Dollar Scholarship the first semester immediately following high school graduation to be considered for this scholarship on an annual basis. Students who **do not** qualify the first semester will not be considered for the Last Dollar Scholarship in subsequent years.
- You will be re-evaluated for eligibility on an annual basis, which means if your income changes, your eligibility for this scholarship may also change.
- For eligible students graduating in the top 25% of their class, they also receive full tuition & fees, on-campus housing, & a \$600 book stipend. Learn more about [Tarleton Promise](#).

### First Dollar Scholarship

Eligible T3 Pledges graduating from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) with a family income that meets the [Income Thresholds](#) will receive a **\$250 a semester** “first-dollar” scholarship for up to 8 consecutive semesters or the completion of a certificate or degree if all criteria are met & renewal requirements are maintained. First Dollar disbursed directly to the student to be used on any academic or emergency related expenses. The amount does not change even if you receive other state, federal, or institutional aid. Learn more about eligibility requirements & what to expect in the First Dollar Scholarship section at the end of this handbook.

### Persistence Coaching/Supports

You are required to complete the following in your first year:



## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

- Attend T3 Signature Events (held 2x a year)
- Meet with a persistence coach/advisor\* (\*as defined by your institution) at least 2 times a semester
- Be an active member of [T3 Connect](#)

### Current Scholar Resources

- Access Tarleton staff members any time at [T3@tarleton.edu](mailto:T3@tarleton.edu)
- Connect with Tarleton T3 Ambassadors via T3 Connect
- Receive monthly T3 Scholar newsletters with college updates and resources

### Transfer Students

Effective Fall 2022, Tarleton will offer [T3 Last Dollar Scholarships](#) to students who transfer from TCC. Also, if you begin as a Tarleton student and decide to transfer to TCC, you may be considered for Last Dollar at that time. Eligibility requirements, including family income thresholds based on the students' FAFSA/TASFA, & the **June 1** deadline must be met for consideration.

Scholars are responsible for completing all eligibility requirements as listed on the [scholarships page](#).

- **Tarleton State University:** Family income of \$65,000 or less
- **Tarrant County College:** Family income of \$120,000 or less

If you are interested in transferring to Tarleton, you must apply by **June 1**.

Questions? Email [T3@tarleton.edu](mailto:T3@tarleton.edu)



## Texas Christian University

Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College T3 Pledges)

- Submit an [admission application](#) to TCU by **February 1**



## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) by **February 14** & complete verification (if selected) \*A [CCS Profile](#) is required for TCU
- Graduate from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth)
- Create a profile on T3 Connect by **July 31**
- Register for a minimum of 12 credit hours the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation by **July 31\*** & start classes the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation. \*Registration is completed on 2<sup>nd</sup> day of academic orientation which may occur in August for some students, that is okay.

Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 TCU Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars):

- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) by the college's deadline & complete verification (if selected)
- Register (minimum of 12 credit hours) for upcoming Fall semester by **May 1**
- Remain in good academic standing & meet minimum cumulative **GPA of 2.0\***, following the minimum [SAP requirements](#) necessary. (\*GPA requirements may vary (2.0-3.0) based on the scholarships you are awarded)
- Successfully **Complete 24 hours** at TCU during Fall & Spring Combined\* (i.e., 12 hours per semester). \*Unless otherwise noted/approved by your degree plan
- Complete community engagement hours by **July 1\*** (\*For college Juniors & Seniors ONLY)

### Scholarships

Both T3 Last Dollar and T3 First Dollar are offered to T3 Pledge students who enroll at TCU the Fall immediately following high school graduation. **NOTE:** Being a T3 Scholar does not guarantee you will receive T3 scholarships. T3 Scholars are responsible for completing all eligibility requirements as listed on the [T3 Scholarships webpage](#) to secure scholarship funding, more details below.

### Last Dollar Scholarship

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

Eligible T3 Pledges graduating from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) with a family income of **\$65,000** or less will receive a “last dollar” tuition-only scholarship to TCU for up to 8 consecutive semesters or the completion of a degree if all criteria are met & renewal requirements are maintained. Effective Fall 2023, this scholarship will now cover any remaining **tuition costs and also provide funding for housing, and meal plan costs** after all Pell grants and/or other federal, state, or institutional aid have been applied. **NOTE:** Last Dollar tuition AND housing + meal plan support is only applicable at TCU. Last Dollar is typically a tuition-only scholarship and may vary by institution. Refer to the Last Dollar Scholarship section on Page 35 for additional information.

### Other Important Things to Know regarding T3 Last Dollar

- There is not a separate application process for the T3 Last Dollar Scholarship. By taking the T3 Pledge in high school, submitting your TCU admissions application & supporting financial aid documents by the deadlines, you are guaranteeing your consideration for Last Dollar.
- Eligibility and disbursements for T3 Last Dollar are completed and facilitated by TCU, not T3. Students should contact the [TCU Financial Aid office](#) directly with questions about eligibility and the disbursement process.
- Eligibility is determined by results of the College Board’s “CSS Profile” application and other supporting documentation. Families with artificially low incomes, resulting from business losses and other income tax allowances, may not be eligible for this scholarship.
- You must meet eligibility requirements for the Last Dollar Scholarship the first semester immediately following high school graduation to be considered for this scholarship on an annual basis. Students who **do not** qualify the first semester will not be considered for the Last Dollar Scholarship in subsequent years.
- You will be re-evaluated for eligibility on an annual basis, which means if your income changes, your eligibility for this scholarship may also change.

### First Dollar Scholarship

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

Eligible T3 Pledges graduating from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) with a family income that meets the [Income Thresholds](#) will receive a **\$250 a semester** “first-dollar” scholarship for up to 8 consecutive semesters or the completion of a certificate or degree if all criteria are met & renewal requirements are maintained. First Dollar disbursed directly to the student to be used on any academic or emergency related expenses. The amount does not change even if you receive other state, federal, or institutional aid. Learn more about eligibility requirements & what to expect in the First Dollar Scholarship section at the end of this handbook.

### Persistence Coaching/Supports

You are required to complete the following in your first year:

- Attend T3 Signature Events (held 2x a year)
- Meet with a persistence coach/advisor\* (\*as defined by your institution) at least 2 times a semester
- Be an active member of [T3 Connect](#)

### Current Scholar Resources

- Access TCU staff members any time at [T3@tcu.edu](#)
- Connect with TCU T3 Ambassadors via T3 Connect
- Receive monthly T3 Scholar newsletters with college updates and resources

### Transfer Students

Effective Fall 2022, TCU will offer [T3 Last Dollar Scholarships](#) to transfer students. Also, if you begin as a TCU student and decide to transfer to TCC, you may be considered for Last Dollar at that time. Eligibility requirements, including family income thresholds based on the students' FAFSA/TASFA, & the **June 1** deadline must be met for consideration.

Scholars are responsible for completing all eligibility requirements as listed on the [scholarships page](#).

- **Texas Christian University:** Family income of \$65,000 or less

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

- **Tarrant County College:** Family income of \$120,000 or less

If you are interested in transferring to TCU, you must apply by **June 1**.

Questions? Email [T3@tcu.edu](mailto:T3@tcu.edu)



## Texas Wesleyan University

### Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College T3 Pledges)

- Submit an [admission application](#) to Texas Wesleyan by **February 14**
- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) by **February 14** & complete verification (if selected)
- Graduate from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth)
- Create a profile on T3 Connect by **July 31**
- Register for a minimum of 12 credit hours the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation by **July 31\*** & start classes the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation. \*Registration is completed on 2<sup>nd</sup> day of academic orientation which may occur in August for some students, that is okay.

### Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 TXWES Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars):

- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) by the college's deadline & complete verification (if selected)
- Register (minimum of 12 credit hours) for upcoming Fall semester by **May 1**
- Remain in good academic standing & meet minimum cumulative **GPA of 2.0**, following the minimum [SAP requirements](#) necessary.
- Successfully **Complete 24 hours** at TXWES during Fall & Spring Combined\* (i.e., 12 hours per semester). \*Unless otherwise noted/approved by your degree plan

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

- Complete community engagement hours by **July 1\*** (\*For college Juniors & Seniors ONLY)

### Scholarships

Both T3 Last Dollar and T3 First Dollar are offered to T3 Pledge students who enroll at TXWES the Fall immediately following high school graduation. **NOTE:** Being a T3 Scholar does not guarantee you will receive T3 scholarships. T3 Scholars are responsible for completing all eligibility requirements as listed on the [T3 Scholarships webpage](#) to secure scholarship funding, more details below.

### Last Dollar Scholarship

Eligible T3 Pledges graduating from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) with a family income of **\$65,000** or less will receive a “last dollar” tuition-only scholarship to TXWES for up to 8 consecutive semesters or the completion of a degree if all criteria are met & renewal requirements are maintained. Refer to the Last Dollar Scholarship section on [Page 43](#) for additional information.

### Other Important Things to Know regarding T3 Last Dollar

- There is not a separate application process for the T3 Last Dollar Scholarship. By taking the T3 Pledge in high school, submitting your TXWES admissions application & supporting financial aid documents by the deadlines, you are guaranteeing your consideration for Last Dollar.
- Eligibility and disbursements for T3 Last Dollar are completed and facilitated by TXWES, not T3. Students should contact the [TXWES Financial Aid office](#) directly with questions about eligibility and the disbursement process.
- You must meet eligibility requirements for the Last Dollar Scholarship the first semester immediately following high school graduation to be considered for this scholarship on an annual basis. Students who **do not** qualify the first semester will not be considered for the Last Dollar Scholarship in subsequent years.
- You will be re-evaluated for eligibility on an annual basis, which means if your income changes, your eligibility for this scholarship may also change.

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

### First Dollar Scholarship

Eligible T3 Pledges graduating from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) with a family income that meets the [Income Thresholds](#) will receive a **\$250 a semester** “first-dollar” scholarship for up to 8 consecutive semesters or the completion of a certificate or degree if all criteria are met & renewal requirements are maintained. First Dollar disbursed directly to the student to be used on any academic or emergency related expenses. The amount does not change even if you receive other state, federal, or institutional aid. Learn more about eligibility requirements & what to expect in the First Dollar Scholarship section at the end of this handbook.

### Persistence Coaching/Supports

You are required to complete the following in your first year:

- Attend T3 Signature Events (held 2x a year)
- Meet with a persistence coach/advisor\* (\*as defined by your institution) at least 2 times a semester
- Be an active member of [T3 Connect](#)

### Current Scholar Resources

- Access TXWES staff members any time at [T3@txwes.edu](mailto:T3@txwes.edu)
- Connect with TXWES T3 Ambassadors via T3 Connect
- Receive monthly T3 Scholar newsletters with college updates and resources

### Transfer Students

Effective Fall 2022, **TXWES** will offer [T3 Last Dollar Scholarships](#) to transfer students. Also, if you begin as a TXWES student and decide to transfer to TCC, you may be considered for Last Dollar at that time. Eligibility requirements, including family income thresholds based on the students' FAFSA/TASFA, & the **June 1** deadline must be met for consideration.

Scholars are responsible for completing all eligibility requirements as listed on the [scholarships page](#).

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

- **Texas Wesleyan University:** Family income of \$65,000 or less
- **Tarrant County College:** Family income of \$120,000 or less

If you are interested in transferring to **TXWES** you must apply by **June 1**.

Questions? Email [T3@txwes.edu](mailto:T3@txwes.edu)



## Texas Woman's University

### Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College T3 Pledges)

- Submit an [admission application](#) to Texas Woman's by **February 14**
- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) by **February 14** & complete verification (if selected)
- Graduate from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth)
- Create a profile on T3 Connect by **July 31**
- Register for a minimum of 12 credit hours the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation by **July 31\*** & start classes the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation. \*Registration is completed on 2<sup>nd</sup> day of academic orientation which may occur in August for some students, that is okay.

### Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 TWU Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars):

- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) by the college's deadline & complete verification (if selected)
- Register (minimum of 12 credit hours) for upcoming Fall semester by **May 1**
- Remain in good academic standing & meet minimum cumulative **GPA of 2.0**, following the minimum [SAP requirements](#) necessary.



## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

- Successfully **Complete 24 hours** at TWU during Fall & Spring Combined\* (i.e., 12 hours per semester). \*Unless otherwise noted/approved by your degree plan
- Complete community engagement hours by **July 1\*** (\*For college Juniors & Seniors ONLY)

### Scholarships

Both T3 Last Dollar and T3 First Dollar are offered to T3 Pledge students who enroll at TWU the Fall immediately following high school graduation. **NOTE:** Being a T3 Scholar does not guarantee you will receive T3 scholarships. T3 Scholars are responsible for completing all eligibility requirements as listed on the [T3 Scholarships webpage](#) to secure scholarship funding, more details below.

### Last Dollar Scholarship

Eligible T3 Pledges graduating from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) with a family income of **\$65,000** or less will receive a “last dollar” tuition-only scholarship to TWU for up to 8 consecutive semesters or the completion of a degree if all criteria are met & renewal requirements are maintained. Effective Fall 2023, this scholarship will now cover any remaining **tuition and fee costs** after all Pell grants and/or other federal, state, or institutional aid have been applied. **NOTE:** Last Dollar tuition AND fee coverage is only applicable at TWU. Last Dollar is typically a tuition-only scholarship and may vary by institution. Refer to the Last Dollar Scholarship section on Page 30 for additional information.

### Other Important Things to Know regarding T3 Last Dollar

- There is not a separate application process for the T3 Last Dollar Scholarship. By taking the T3 Pledge in high school, submitting your TWU admissions application & supporting financial aid documents by the deadlines, you are guaranteeing your consideration for Last Dollar.
- Eligibility and disbursements for T3 Last Dollar are completed and facilitated by TWU, not T3. Students should contact the [TWU Financial Aid office](#) directly with questions about eligibility and the disbursement process.



## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

- You must meet eligibility requirements for the Last Dollar Scholarship the first semester immediately following high school graduation to be considered for this scholarship on an annual basis. Students who **do not** qualify the first semester will not be considered for the Last Dollar Scholarship in subsequent years.
- You will be re-evaluated for eligibility on an annual basis, which means if your income changes, your eligibility for this scholarship may also change.

### First Dollar Scholarship

Eligible T3 Pledges graduating from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) with a family income that meets the [Income Thresholds](#) will receive a **\$250 a semester** “first-dollar” scholarship for up to 8 consecutive semesters or the completion of a certificate or degree if all criteria are met & renewal requirements are maintained. First Dollar disbursed directly to the student to be used on any academic or emergency related expenses. The amount does not change even if you receive other state, federal, or institutional aid. Learn more about eligibility requirements & what to expect in the First Dollar Scholarship section at the end of this handbook.

### Persistence Coaching/Supports

You are required to complete the following in your first year:

- Attend T3 Signature Events (held 2x a year)
- Meet with a persistence coach/advisor\* (\*as defined by your institution) at least 2 times a semester
- Be an active member of [T3 Connect](#)

### Current Scholar Resources

- Access TWU staff members any time at [T3@twu.edu](#)
- Connect with TWU T3 Ambassadors via T3 Connect
- Receive monthly T3 Scholar newsletters with college updates and resources

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

### Transfer Students

Effective Fall 2022, **TWU** will offer [T3 Last Dollar Scholarships](#) to transfer students. Also, if you begin as a TWU student and decide to transfer to TCC, you may be considered for Last Dollar at that time. Eligibility requirements, including family income thresholds based on the students' FAFSA/TASFA, & the **June 1** deadline must be met for consideration.

Scholars are responsible for completing all eligibility requirements as listed on the [scholarships page](#).

- **Texas Woman's University:** Family income of \$65,000 or less
- **Tarrant County College:** Family income of \$120,000 or less

If you are interested in transferring to **TWU**, you must apply by **June 1**.

Questions? Email [T3@twu.edu](mailto:T3@twu.edu)



## The University of Texas at Arlington

### Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College T3 Pledges)

- Submit an [admission application](#) to UTA by **February 14**
- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) by **February 14** & complete verification (if selected)
- Graduate from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth)
- Create a profile on T3 Connect by **July 31**
- Register for a minimum of 12 credit hours the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation by **July 31\*** & start classes the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation. \*Registration is completed on 2<sup>nd</sup> day of academic orientation which may occur in August for some students, that is okay.

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 UTA Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars):

- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) & complete verification (if selected) by **February 14**
- Register (minimum of 12 credit hours) for upcoming Fall semester by **May 1**
- Remain in good academic standing & meet minimum cumulative **GPA of 2.0**, following the minimum [SAP requirements](#) necessary.
- Successfully **Complete 24 hours** at UTA during Fall & Spring Combined\* (i.e., 12 hours per semester). \*Unless otherwise noted/approved by your degree plan
- Complete community engagement hours by **July 1\*** (\*For college Juniors & Seniors ONLY)

### Scholarships

Both T3 Last Dollar and T3 First Dollar are offered to T3 Pledge students who enroll at UTA the Fall immediately following high school graduation. **NOTE:** Being a T3 Scholar does not guarantee you will receive T3 scholarships. T3 Scholars are responsible for completing all eligibility requirements as listed on the [T3 Scholarships webpage](#) to secure scholarship funding, more details below.

### Last Dollar Scholarship

Eligible T3 Pledges graduating from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) with a family income of **\$85,000** or less will receive a “last dollar” tuition-only scholarship to UTA for up to 8 consecutive semesters or the completion of a certificate or degree if all criteria are met & renewal requirements are maintained. Including submitting financial aid (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) & complete verification (if selected) by **February 14**. Refer to the Last Dollar Scholarship section on Page 30 for additional information.

### Other Important Things to Know regarding T3 Last Dollar

- There is not a separate application process for the T3 Last Dollar Scholarship. By taking the T3 Pledge in high school, submitting your UTA admissions

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

application & supporting financial aid documents by the deadlines, you are guaranteeing your consideration for Last Dollar.

- Eligibility and disbursements for T3 Last Dollar are completed and facilitated by UTA, not T3. Students should contact the [UTA Financial Aid office](#) directly with questions about eligibility and the disbursement process.
- You must meet eligibility requirements for the Last Dollar Scholarship the first semester immediately following high school graduation to be considered for this scholarship on an annual basis. Students who **do not** qualify the first semester will not be considered for the Last Dollar Scholarship in subsequent years.
- You will be re-evaluated for eligibility on an annual basis, which means if your income changes, your eligibility for this scholarship may also change.

### First Dollar Scholarship

Eligible T3 Pledges graduating from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) with a family income that meets the [Income Thresholds](#) will receive a **\$250 a semester** “first-dollar” scholarship for up to 8 consecutive semesters or the completion of a certificate or degree if all criteria are met & renewal requirements are maintained. First Dollar disbursed directly to the student to be used on any academic or emergency related expenses. The amount does not change even if you receive other state, federal, or institutional aid. Learn more about eligibility requirements & what to expect in the First Dollar Scholarship section at the end of this handbook. **NOTE:** Incoming students who only apply/submit their FAFSA/TASFA to UTA may be required to provide financial information for T3 to determine eligibility for First Dollar.

### Persistence Coaching/Supports

You are required to complete the following in your first year:

- Attend T3 Signature Events (held 2x a year)
- Meet with a persistence coach/advisor\* (\*as defined by your institution) at least 2 times a semester
- Be an active member of [T3 Connect](#)

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

### Current Scholar Resources

- Access UTA staff members any time at [UTAT3@uta.edu](mailto:UTAT3@uta.edu)
- Connect with UTA T3 Ambassadors via T3 Connect
- Receive monthly T3 Scholar newsletters with college updates and resources

### Transfer Students

Scholars who remain T3 eligible & complete an associate degree from TCC & meet all other eligibility criteria can receive a last-dollar, tuition-only scholarship to UTA for up to 4 fall & spring semesters if renewal requirements are maintained:

- T3 Scholars must maintain T3 eligibility at TCC & must enroll at UTA the fall or spring semester after graduation from TCC with their transferable associate degree (Associate of Arts, Associate of Science, Associate of Arts in Teaching)
- Student must be accepted for transfer admission to UTA no later than **February 14** for the fall semester or **November 1** for the spring semester of the year in which the student intends to transfer
- Must complete the FAFSA or TASFA including UTA's school code (003656) by **February 14** & be eligible to receive funds through the Federal Pell Grant or Texas Grant programs
- Have a family income of \$85,000 or less
- Must start classes the semester after associate degree completion & register for a minimum of at least 12 credit hours in each semester (fall & spring)

**For all eligibility & renewal criteria, visit the T3 page on the [UTA website](#).**

Also, if you begin as a UTA student and decide to transfer to TCC, you may be considered for Last Dollar at that time. Eligibility requirements, including family income thresholds based on the students' FAFSA/TASFA, & the **June 1** deadline must be met for consideration.

Scholars are responsible for completing all eligibility requirements as listed on the [scholarships page](#).

- **Tarrant County College:** Family income of \$120,000 or less

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

Questions? Email [UTAT3@uta.edu](mailto:UTAT3@uta.edu).



### University of North Texas (Denton)

Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College T3 Pledges)

- Submit an [admission application](#) to UNT by **February 14**
- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) by **January 15** & complete verification (if selected) **February 14**
- Graduate from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth)
- Create a profile on T3 Connect by **July 31**
- Register for a minimum of 12 credit hours the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation by **July 31\*** & start classes the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation. \*Registration is completed on 2<sup>nd</sup> day of academic orientation which may occur in August for some students, that is okay.

Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 UNT Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars):

- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) & complete verification (if selected) by **February 14**
- Register (minimum of 12 credit hours) for upcoming Fall semester by **May 1**
- Remain in good academic standing & meet minimum cumulative **GPA of 2.0**, following the minimum [SAP requirements](#) necessary.
- Successfully **Complete 24 hours** at UNT during Fall & Spring Combined\* (i.e., 12 hours per semester). \*Unless otherwise noted/approved by your degree plan
- Complete community engagement hours by **July 1\*** (\*For college Juniors & Seniors ONLY)

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

### Scholarships

Both T3 Last Dollar and T3 First Dollar are offered to T3 Pledge students who enroll at UNT the Fall immediately following high school graduation. **NOTE:** Being a T3 Scholar does not guarantee you will receive T3 scholarships. T3 Scholars are responsible for completing all eligibility requirements as listed on the [T3 Scholarships webpage](#) to secure scholarship funding, more details below.

### Last Dollar Scholarship

Eligible T3 Pledges graduating from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) with a family income of **\$65,000** or less will receive a “last dollar” tuition-only scholarship to UNT Denton for up to 8 consecutive semesters or the completion of a certificate or degree if all criteria are met & renewal requirements are maintained. Refer to the Last Dollar Scholarship section on Page 30 for additional information.

### Other Important Things to Know regarding T3 Last Dollar

- There is not a separate application process for the T3 Last Dollar Scholarship. By taking the T3 Pledge in high school, submitting your UNT admissions application & supporting financial aid documents by the deadlines, you are guaranteeing your consideration for Last Dollar.
- Eligibility and disbursements for T3 Last Dollar are completed and facilitated by UNT, not T3. Students should contact the [UNT Financial Aid office](#) directly with questions about eligibility and the disbursement process.
- You must meet eligibility requirements for the Last Dollar Scholarship the first semester immediately following high school graduation to be considered for this scholarship on an annual basis. Students who **do not** qualify the first semester will not be considered for the Last Dollar Scholarship in subsequent years.
- You will be re-evaluated for eligibility on an annual basis, which means if your income changes, your eligibility for this scholarship may also change.

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

### First Dollar Scholarship

Eligible T3 Pledges graduating from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) with a family income that meets the [Income Thresholds](#) will receive a **\$250 a semester** “first-dollar” scholarship for up to 8 consecutive semesters or the completion of a certificate or degree if all criteria are met & renewal requirements are maintained. First Dollar disbursed directly to the student to be used on any academic or emergency related expenses. The amount does not change even if you receive other state, federal, or institutional aid. Learn more about eligibility requirements & what to expect in the First Dollar Scholarship section at the end of this handbook.

### Persistence Coaching/Supports

You are required to complete the following in your first year:

- Attend T3 Signature Events (held 2x a year)
- Meet with a persistence coach/advisor\* (\*as defined by your institution) at least 2 times a semester
- Be an active member of [T3 Connect](#)

### Current Scholar Resources

- Access UNT staff members any time at [UNTT3@unt.edu](mailto:UNTT3@unt.edu)
- Connect with UNT T3 Ambassadors via T3 Connect
- Receive monthly T3 Scholar newsletters with college updates and resources

### Transfer Students

**Last Dollar Scholarships are currently not available for transfer students going from TCC to UNT Denton.**

If you begin as a UNT student and decide to transfer to TCC, you may be considered for Last Dollar at that time. Eligibility requirements, including family income thresholds based on the students' FAFSA/TASFA, & the **June 1** deadline must be met for consideration.



## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

Scholars are responsible for completing all eligibility requirements as listed on the [scholarships page](#).

- **Tarrant County College:** Family income of \$120,000 or less

Questions? Email [UNTT3@unt.edu](mailto:UNTT3@unt.edu)



## University of North Texas at Dallas

Steps for Guaranteed T3 Scholarship Consideration (Class of 2024 – First Time in College T3 Pledges)

- Submit an [admission application](#) to UNT Dallas by **February 14**
- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) by **February 14** & complete verification (if selected)
- Graduate from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth)
- Create a profile on T3 Connect by **July 31**
- Register for a minimum of 12 credit hours the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation by **July 31\*** & start classes the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation. \*Registration is completed on 2<sup>nd</sup> day of academic orientation which may occur in August for some students, that is okay.

Annual Eligibility Requirements as a T3 UNTD Scholar (Continually Enrolled College Scholars):

- Submit a financial aid application (i.e., FAFSA/TASFA) & complete verification (if selected) by **February 14**
- Register (minimum of 12 credit hours) for upcoming Fall semester by **May 1**
- Remain in good academic standing & meet minimum cumulative **GPA of 2.0**, following the minimum [SAP requirements](#) necessary.
- Successfully **Complete 24 hours** at UNT Dallas during Fall & Spring Combined\* (i.e., 12 hours per semester). \*Unless otherwise noted/approved by your degree plan

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

- Complete community engagement hours by **July 1\*** (\*For college Juniors & Seniors ONLY)

### Scholarships

Both T3 Last Dollar and T3 First Dollar are offered to T3 Pledge students who enroll at UNT Dallas the Fall immediately following high school graduation. **NOTE:** Being a T3 Scholar does not guarantee you will receive T3 scholarships. T3 Scholars are responsible for completing all eligibility requirements as listed on the [T3 Scholarships webpage](#) to secure scholarship funding, more details below.

### Last Dollar Scholarship

Eligible T3 Pledges graduating from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) with a family income of **\$65,000** or less will receive a “last dollar” tuition-only scholarship to UNT Dallas for up to 8 consecutive semesters or the completion of a certificate or degree if all criteria are met & renewal requirements are maintained. Refer to the Last Dollar Scholarship section on Page 30 for additional information.

### Other Important Things to Know regarding T3 Last Dollar

- There is not a separate application process for the T3 Last Dollar Scholarship. By taking the T3 Pledge in high school, submitting your UNT Dallas admissions application & supporting financial aid documents by the deadlines, you are guaranteeing your consideration for Last Dollar.
- Eligibility and disbursements for T3 Last Dollar are completed and facilitated by UNT Dallas, not T3. Students should contact the [UNT Dallas Financial Aid office](#) directly with questions about eligibility and the disbursement process.
- You must meet eligibility requirements for the Last Dollar Scholarship the first semester immediately following high school graduation to be considered for this scholarship on an annual basis. Students who **do not** qualify the first semester will not be considered for the Last Dollar Scholarship in subsequent years.

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

- You will be re-evaluated for eligibility on an annual basis, which means if your income changes, your eligibility for this scholarship may also change.

### First Dollar Scholarship

Eligible T3 Pledges graduating from a participating ISD (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, Fort Worth) with a family income that meets the [Income Thresholds](#) will receive a **\$250 a semester** “first-dollar” scholarship for up to 8 consecutive semesters or the completion of a certificate or degree if all criteria are met & renewal requirements are maintained. First Dollar disbursed directly to the student to be used on any academic or emergency related expenses. The amount does not change even if you receive other state, federal, or institutional aid. Learn more about eligibility requirements & what to expect in the First Dollar Scholarship section at the end of this handbook.

### Persistence Coaching/Supports

You are required to complete the following in your first year:

- Attend T3 Signature Events (held 2x a year)
- Meet with a persistence coach/advisor\* (\*as defined by your institution) at least 2 times a semester
- Be an active member of [T3 Connect](#)

### Current Scholar Resources

- Access UNT Dallas staff members any time at [T3@untdallas.edu](mailto:T3@untdallas.edu)
- Connect with UNT T3 Ambassadors via (insert contact info or T3 Connect)
- Receive monthly T3 Scholar newsletters with college updates and resources

### Transfer Students

Effective Fall 2022, UNT Dallas will offer [T3 Last Dollar Scholarships](#) to transfer students. Also, if you begin as a UNT Dallas student and decide to transfer to TCC, you may be considered for Last Dollar at that time. Eligibility requirements, including family income thresholds based on the students' FAFSA/TASFA, & the **June 1** deadline must be met for consideration.

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

Scholars are responsible for completing all eligibility requirements as listed on the [scholarships page](#).

- **University of North Texas at Dallas:** Family income of \$65,000 or less
- **Tarrant County College:** Family income of \$120,000 or less

If you are interested in transferring to UNT Dallas, you must apply by **June 1**.

Questions? Email [T3@untdallas.edu](mailto:T3@untdallas.edu)

## T3 POLICIES & REQUIREMENTS

---

### Community Engagement

#### Why Volunteer?

Students are the future of our community & cultivating a lifelong love of giving back is essential. Engaging in community service provides opportunity to build leadership skills, learn more about the local community, build a network of support, & explore future career possibilities.

#### Policy

Beginning their Junior year, T3 Scholars attending a T3 partner college/university will be required to complete 8 hours of community engagement each year by **July 1** to continue receiving program supports and scholarships.

Community engagement hours must be completed during the current year, which means you cannot apply hours you completed one (or more) years ago towards your annual requirement. Your community engagement hours must meet the following criteria:

1. The time you commit to the community must be unpaid

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

2. The time you commit must be with an organization, not an individual (you do not have to complete all 8 hours at a single organization)

### Examples of eligible opportunities

1. Volunteering with a school club
2. Participating in environmental clean-up
3. Volunteer at a food bank
4. Helping with landscaping at your church
5. Shadowing a vet for interest in Animal Science
6. Supporting voter registration efforts

### Examples of ineligible opportunities

1. Babysitting
2. Doing laundry or yard work for a neighbor
3. Donating cans to a food drive
4. Proselytizing
5. Knocking on doors for a political candidate

T3 will maintain a list of community engagement opportunities on our [website](#), for consideration. You are encouraged to explore these; however, you may find an opportunity on your own that interests you. You can count community service hours completed for other organizations/clubs that you participate in towards your T3 community service (e.g., if your athletic team read to elementary students for 4 hours, you can apply these towards your T3 requirement).

### Procedure

1. Find a community service opportunity that meets the eligibility criteria. [You can explore opportunities provided by T3](#) or find one on your own.
2. If you want to verify if an opportunity is eligible, e-mail [support@T3partnership](mailto:support@T3partnership).
3. Once you have finished all 8 hours of community service, you will complete & submit the Community Service Verification Form ([see T3 website](#)).

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

4. A T3 staff member may verify completion of hours, upon submission of the Community Service Verification Form.

### T3 Scholar Onboarding

T3 Pledges enrolling at a T3 partner college/university are required to complete T3 Scholar Onboarding by July 31 which consists of completing the following steps:

- **Create a Profile on T3 Connect**
  - Students are required to create a profile on T3 Connect, a platform used to support you during your college career
  - For next steps, visit [connect.T3partnership.org](https://connect.T3partnership.org)
  - Once registered, please request to join your College/University Group for more insight
- **Attend a Scholarship Information Session\***
  - \*Only required for students who are [income eligible](#) to receive the T3 First Dollar scholarship.
  - Students who qualify for a First Dollar Scholarship will be required to attend a Scholarship Information Session prior to their first semester in college
  - Students will be notified by email with next step instructions on how to register and attend a session, if applicable
  - Information sessions will be facilitated in-person & virtually

### Transfer Students

#### Transferring To & From T3 Partner Colleges/Universities

T3 understands that there may be circumstances where T3 Scholars may decide or need to transfer from one T3 partner college/university to another.

#### Policy:

T3 Scholars may transfer between T3 partner colleges/universities & remain a T3 Scholar + eligible for program supports. **T3 scholarships are not guaranteed when**



## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

**you transfer unless you meet scholarship eligibility at the college/university you transfer to.**

T3 Scholars can transfer from:

- TCC to a four-year partner university;
- A partner university to TCC; or
- A partner university to another partner university.

### Procedure:

- Timeframes & transfer admission deadlines vary by institution. Learn more by referencing the T3 Transfer Deadlines resource.
- Check out the Transfer Student Resources section on [T3 Connect for helpful tips & tools](#).

### Can I transfer from TCC to another T3 partner institution & keep my Last Dollar Scholarship?

No, unless the partner university you are transferring to offers a T3 Last Dollar Scholarship & you meet eligibility requirements for that scholarship.

To learn more, visit the Last Dollar Scholarship section in this handbook or the [T3 website](#) with specifics by partner college or university.

### Can I transfer from a T3 partner university that offers T3 Last Dollar Scholarships to another T3 partner institution that does not & keep my Last Dollar Scholarship?

No. If the partner university you are transferring to does not offer a T3 Last Dollar Scholarship, you are unable to remain eligible.

### Can I transfer from one T3 partner university to another T3 partner university & keep my T3 First Dollar Scholarship?

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

Yes, if you continue to meet First Dollar Scholarship eligibility requirements. Learn more on the [T3 website](#).

### Opting Out of the T3 Program

#### Program Supports:

T3 will always respect the request of students who want to opt out of participating in the T3 program.

To opt out of the T3 program, T3 Scholars will need to send an e-mail to [support@T3partnership.org](mailto:support@T3partnership.org) that outlines the reasons they would like to opt out. T3 will follow-up with you, if needed, & provide you with confirmation that you are no longer a T3 Scholar. Students who do opt out forfeit their access all T3 scholarships & supports, including:

1. Last Dollar Scholarships
2. First Dollar Scholarships (all T3 partner universities)
3. Emergency Funding (TCC)
4. T3 Onboarding to Partner College/Universities
5. Persistence Coaching & Resources
6. Exclusive T3 Scholar Events + Leadership Development Opportunities
7. Mentorship, Internship & Job Shadow Opportunities
8. Transfer Student Support

#### Sharing Student Information:

T3 & our partner organizations share student information to provide targeted support ensuring student success in attaining a postsecondary credential. If a student wishes to opt out of the sharing of their information across organizations, they will also be opting out the supports listed above.



## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

### Right to Revoke T3 Program Supports

Should a student fail to adhere to any/all policies, the T3 Partnership invokes the right to remove a student's eligibility. T3 values honest & integrity. A student who submits misinformation will immediately lose T3 Scholar eligibility.

### Communication with T3

By taking the T3 Pledge, students opt in to receive text messages, newsletters, & e-mails from T3 & their affiliates. T3 will send you communication with information including, but not limited to T3 program supports, deadlines/reminders, events, & opportunities/resources. These are the primary methods that T3 will share important information with students regarding program participation.

T3 participants that choose to opt-out of receiving text messages, newsletters, or e-mails later will be solely responsible for ensuring they are up to date on their T3 commitments & deadlines.

- To opt out of receiving text messages reply STOP within the text thread
- To opt out of receiving newsletters select UNSUBSCRIBE within the e-mail

#### Important things to know:

- T3 participants can e-mail [support@T3partnership.org](mailto:support@T3partnership.org) to opt-in/out of communication.
- Students will be respectful in all correspondence & communication, including social media.
- It is important that T3 has your most up-to-date contact information on file. If your phone, e-mail, or address changes throughout participation in the program, please notify us by e-mailing [support@T3partnership.org](mailto:support@T3partnership.org).

### Notification of Program Eligibility

Participation in the T3 Program is contingent upon students meeting certain requirements by specified dates and maintaining good academic standing. In the

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

event a student does not meet a program requirement, they will be notified via text & e-mail about the impact to their T3 program status & eligibility.

Students will be given a period of 2 weeks after receipt of a notification to respond & submit necessary documentation. T3 will review & conduct all necessary follow-up & notify the student of the decision & next steps, if applicable.

### Policy Updates/Changes

Policies are subject to change without notice. It is a student's responsibility to refer to the policies as posted on [T3partnership.org](https://T3partnership.org).

## T3 PROGRAMS & SUPPORTS

---

### T3 Community Mentorship Program

#### Why T3 Community Mentorship Program?

As a T3 Scholar, you have exclusive access to a virtual mentoring platform & persistence tool that connects you with local industry experts. T3's Community Mentorship Program gives you the opportunity to receive valuable career & life advice & the chance to establish lifelong connections. In addition, the platform used for the community mentorship program, T3 Connect, can be utilized to access resources, interact with peers, & reach out to T3 staff should you have questions.

#### Policy

T3 Pledges & Scholars (juniors, seniors, & first-year partner college students that have taken the T3 Pledge) that join the Community Mentorship Program must commit to:

- Participate in T3 Community Mentorship program for 1 year
- Once paired, attend & engage in 1 virtual meeting per month with Mentor

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

T3 Scholars are committed to the importance of mentorship & will treat it as a priority through regular communication & interactions, agreed upon in advance with their mentor. Mentees can reapply to be matched with new mentors annually.

### Procedure

- Attend an information session on T3 Connect & the Community Mentorship Program to learn more
- Review T3 Mentee Expectations & complete a Mentorship Agreement & Parent Consent Form on T3 Connect
- Sign up for a profile on T3 Connect & complete an application using the following link: <https://connect.t3partnership.org>

### What to Expect

After you complete the above steps, your application will be reviewed & if there is availability in the program, you will be matched with a T3 Mentor. Once you have been matched, your mentor will connect with you to schedule your first session via the T3 Connect platform. You will coordinate & schedule monthly meetings with your mentor that will take place beginning in September/October through July.

T3 will also plan & host engagement events throughout the year that will allow you network with other mentors & T3 Scholars participating in the T3 Community Mentorship program that you are strongly encouraged to participate in.

T3 cannot guarantee every T3 Scholar will be matched. If you cannot be matched due to program capacity, you will be notified by T3 & placed on a waitlist to be considered for future availability.

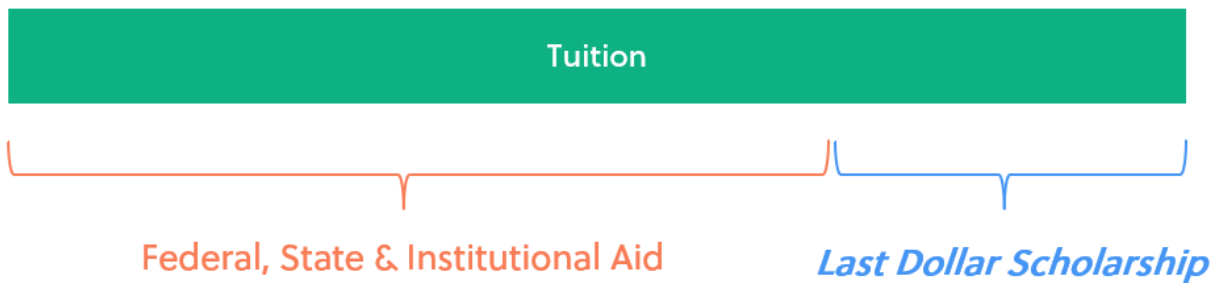
If any questions or concerns related to the T3 Community Mentorship program, please e-mail [mentor@T3partnership.org](mailto:mentor@T3partnership.org).

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

### Last Dollar Scholarships

#### What is a T3 Last Dollar Scholarship?

Last Dollar Scholarships cover any remaining **tuition costs** after all Pell grants and/or other federal, state, or institutional aid have been applied. Therefore, you will only see the T3 award in your financial package/offer if you have a remaining amount owed for tuition only. *Housing, books, and other fees are not included (unless otherwise noted by the T3 partner college you are enrolling at/attending).*



#### Here's What You Need to Know:

- Aside from FAFSA/TASFA, there is not a separate application process for the T3 Last Dollar Scholarship\*. By taking the T3 Pledge in high school, submitting your admissions application & supporting financial aid documents to a [T3 Partner College/University](#) by the deadlines, you are guaranteeing your consideration for Last Dollar. \* **Tarleton requires a separate scholarship application (due 2/15) to be considered for any Tarleton scholarships, including T3 Last Dollar**
- Eligibility and disbursements for T3 Last Dollar are completed and facilitated by the college you are attending not T3. Students should contact the Financial Aid office at their college directly with questions about eligibility and the disbursement process.
- You may receive notification regarding your eligibility either through a mailed letter or via your financial aid package – this will vary based on each partner institution
- You must meet eligibility requirements for the Last Dollar Scholarship the first semester immediately following high school graduation to be considered for this scholarship on an annual basis. Students who **do not** qualify the first

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

semester will not be considered for the Last Dollar Scholarship in subsequent years.

- You will be re-evaluated for eligibility on an annual basis, which means if your income changes, your eligibility for this scholarship may also change Last Dollar Scholarship eligibility, funding, & disbursement are determined & completed directly by the college/university you are attending
- If your tuition is already covered by other financial aid, you will not need or see any applied T3 Last Dollar Scholarship dollars

### Participating Partners

Effective Fall 2022, T3 Last Dollar Scholarships are now available at all T3 partner institutions.



### Last Dollar Eligibility Requirements

- Submit a T3 Pledge by **December 1** for Seniors (Fall semester of your Senior year)
- Attend a T3 JumpStart by **February 1** Senior Year of High School
- Graduate from a participating ISD and High School (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, and Fort Worth ISD).
- Apply to a T3 Partner Institution by Deadline (varies by college/university, see above pages for more details)
- Complete FAFSA or TASFA & Required Verification Documents by Deadline (varies by college/university, see above pages for more details)

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

- Be Eligible to Receive Funds Through Federal Pell Grant or Texas Grant Programs (not required for TCC Last Dollar Scholarship)
- Complete TSIA requirements (if applicable at your institution)
- Be a Resident of Tarrant County for Tuition Purposes if Attending TCC & a Texas Resident if Attending a Partner University
- If Attending TCC, register for a Minimum of 9 Credit Hours; if Attending a Partner University, Register for a Minimum of 12 Credit Hours Each Semester (fall and spring)
- Complete the T3 Onboarding Program by **July 31** (graduating seniors will receive more information via email)
- Enroll in courses at T3 Partner College by **July 31**. Students must start classes the Fall Semester after High School Graduation
- Remain in Good Academic Standing & Meet Minimum Cumulative GPA at Partner College/University
- Meet the below family income requirements based on FAFSA/TASFA:

Partner College/University	Family Income Level Based on FAFSA/TASFA
TCC	\$120,000 or Less
UTA	\$85,000 or Less
Tarleton, TCU, Texas Wesleyan, Texas Woman's, UNT (Denton) & UNT Dallas	\$65,000 or Less

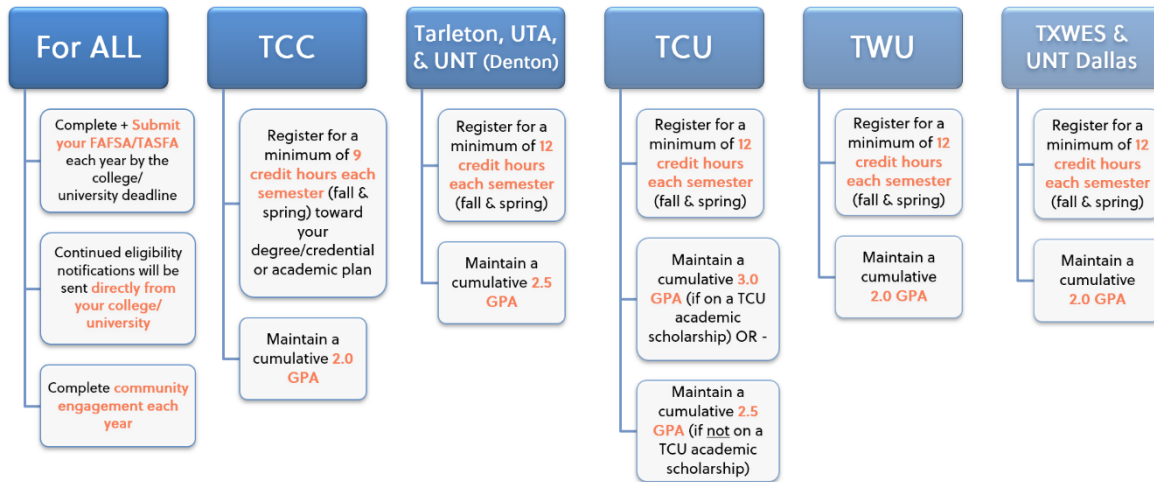
### Continued Last Dollar Eligibility Once Enrolled

- Maintain eligibility requirements listed above, including submitting financial aid & meeting family income caps based on your partner institution
- Meet minimum course registration hours & cumulative GPA based on your partner institution. See details below.
- You must meet eligibility requirements for the Last Dollar Scholarship the first semester immediately following high school graduation to be considered for this scholarship on an annual basis. Students who **do not** qualify the first

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

semester will not be considered for the last-dollar scholarship in subsequent years.

- Continued eligibility will be re-evaluated by your partner institution each year. If you fail to meet any requirements, you may be contacted by your institution to learn more about your options.
- Complete 8 hours of community engagement annually\*. \*For College Juniors and Seniors ONLY



Questions? Email [scholarships@T3partnership.org](mailto:scholarships@T3partnership.org).

## First Dollar Scholarships

### What is a T3 First Dollar Scholarship?

T3 First Dollar Scholarships are applied before any other financial aid is applied and funds are disbursed directly to the student, not through his/her university.

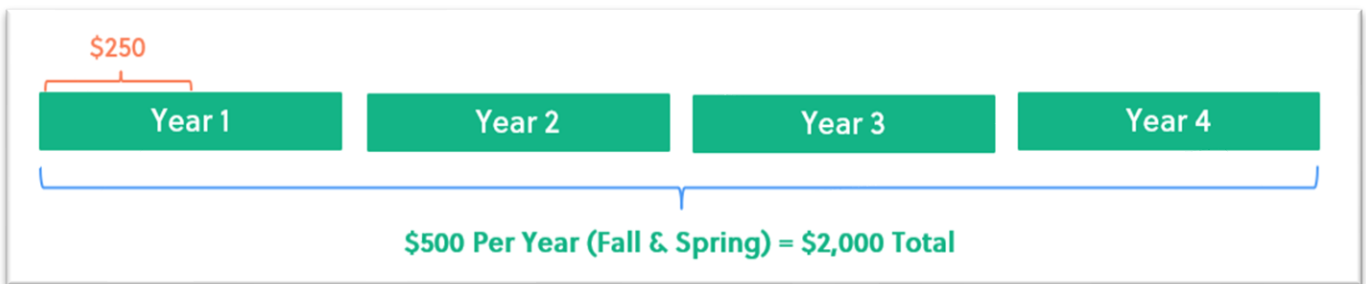
The amount does not change even if the student receives other state, federal, or institutional aid. Eligible students will receive a \$250 a semester (\$500 per year) scholarship for up 4 years to use for academic-related expenses or emergencies.

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

### Here's What You Need to Know:

- You do not need to apply for a T3 First Dollar Scholarship, unless otherwise communicated by T3 Staff
- If eligible, you will receive a notification from Submittable/Payoneer regarding next steps such as registering for a required info session, inputting banking information, & more
- Need support or have concerns about obtaining a bank account in your name? T3 will be here to provide support to you every step of the way!

### Participating Partners



First Dollar Scholarships are available to students attending any T3 **4-year partner university** (not applicable for students attending TCC).



### First Dollar Eligibility Requirements

- Submit a T3 Pledge by **December 1** for Seniors (Fall semester of your Senior year)
- Attend a T3 JumpStart by **February 1** Senior Year of High School



## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

- Graduate from a participating ISD and high school (i.e., Arlington (Lamar HS Only), Castleberry, Crowley, and Fort Worth ISD)
- Apply to a T3 Partner College/University by the Deadline (varies by college/university)
- Complete FAFSA or TASFA & Required Verification Documents by Deadline (varies by college/university)
- Attend a T3 Scholarship Information Session the spring/summer before you begin college classes. Eligible students will receive invite details via email.
- Have a bank account in your name for direct disbursements
- Enroll in courses at T3 Partner Institution by **July 31**. Students must start classes the Fall Semester after High School Graduation
- Remain in Good Academic Standing & Meet Minimum Cumulative GPA at Partner College/University
- Meet the below family income thresholds based on FAFSA/TASFA:

# in Household	Family Income
1	\$38,000
2	\$67,000
3	\$72,000
4	\$77,000
5	\$82,000
6	\$87,000
7	\$92,000
8	\$97,000

### Continued First Dollar Eligibility Once Enrolled

- Complete your FAFSA or TASFA by the guaranteed scholarship consideration deadline which varies by T3 partner college/university (see scholar deadlines section in this handbook)
- Register for a minimum of 12 credit hours each semester (fall & spring); a total of 24 credit hours an academic year

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

- You must remain in good academic standing at your university with a cumulative GPA of a 2.0 or higher
- You must meet eligibility requirements for the First Dollar Scholarship the first semester immediately following high school graduation to be considered for this scholarship on an annual basis. Therefore, students **who are deemed eligible** their first year will be eligible up to 4 years. Students **who are not eligible** the first semester will not be considered for the First Dollar scholarship in subsequent years.
- Complete 8 hours of community engagement annually\*. \*For College Juniors and Seniors ONLY

Questions? Email [scholarships@T3partnership.org](mailto:scholarships@T3partnership.org).

## Persistence Coaching + Signature Events

### What is persistence coaching?

T3 has partnered with its colleges & universities to provide supports to help you persist in earning a degree or credential. Persistence coaching models vary by T3 partner college/university & are outlined in more detail in the T3 partner college/university section of this handbook – please refer to this section for more information.

### Policy

T3 Scholars are required to participate in persistence coaching at their T3 partner college/university during their first year in school.

### What are signature events?

T3 has partnered with its colleges & universities to provide events throughout the academic year so students can connect with one another, staff on campus, and learn more about the campus community. Signature events will vary by college/university and students are encouraged to frequently monitor their emails, texts, and T3 Connect for updates.

### Policy

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

T3 Scholars are required to participate in signature events at their T3 partner college/university during their first year in school.

### T3 SCHOLAR DEADLINES BY PARTNER COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY

---

Refer to the links below for more information:

- [First-Year](#)
- [Transfer](#)

## Student & Family Handbook | 2023 – 2024

