

THE PUBLIC AFFAIRS LUNCHEON CLUB

From: Chairman, Scholarship Committee

Date: October 2025

Re: Application for 2025- 2026 PALC Scholarship Award

Enclosed please find an *information sheet and application* for the annual scholarship offered by The Public Affairs Luncheon Club (“PALC”). We are confident that many qualified students populate your school(s). SCHOOL COUNSELORS- *Please distribute* the attached application forms to your college bound qualifying and interested students and/or member schools. The deadline for applications is March 31, 2026. The application and documents may be submitted any time after receipt of the attached; with the senior year first semester grades submitted as a supplement once received. All documents required per our scholarship application terms, including grades, must be submitted by the deadline of March 31, 2026. The winner(s) will be notified early May 2026 before our annual May 18th, 2026 luncheon (to which they will be invited with their family).

PALC, originally formed in 1932 as a non-profit organization under IRS 501(c)(3) and non-partisan organization, encourages its members to take a thoughtful, informed and active interest in governmental affairs and functions. During the school year, we hold seven luncheons with eminent and outstanding professional and business authorities speaking on subjects of current importance and interest.

This will be our twenty-seventh year to offer an annual scholarship to a graduating Dallas area high school senior who has achieved high standards of scholarship coupled with an interest in public affairs and participation in community leadership. The scholarship is merit based. This year we are offering one \$5000 scholarship.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us. We look forward to reading your students’ applications.

With best regards,

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Application Mailing address:

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Past Winners: Lauren Stanley, **Ursuline Academy**, Charlie Humphreys, **Cistercian Preparatory School**, Vincent Micheli, **Cistercian Preparatory School**; Mrigayu Ghosh, **Uplift North Hills Preparatory**; Vedant Tapiavala, **Townview Magnet HS Talented and Gifted**; Jesus Botello, **Lakeview Centennial HS**; Wesley Hart, **J.J.Pearce HS**; Paxton Smith, **Lake Highlands HS**; Trevor Burke, **St. Marks’s School of Dallas**; Jessica Truong, **Mansfield Timberview HS**; Jonah Robinson, **Garland HS**; Bryan Barnett, **Episcopal School of Dallas**; Megan Jackson, **W.T.White HS**; Cortney Thomas, **Trinity Christian Academy**; Charlotte Louise Tate, **Woodrow Wilson HS**; Christopher Rhodes, **Highland Park HS**; Mark Stevens, **St. Marks School of Dallas**; Julie Lynn Flowers, **Sachse High School**; Joshua Muchnikoff, **Berkner HS**; Arron Bukhara, **Luther High School of Dallas**; Sarah Fitzgerald, **Ursuline Academy**; Kenny Lee, **W. Plano HS**; Yichao (Teddy) Xiang, **E. Plano HS**; Amy Chyao, **Plano E. Sr. HS**; Chandler Joseph Burke, **St. Mark’s School of Texas**; Carmen Gills, **Townview Education and Social Services**; Caroline Andrews, **JJ Pearce HS**; Carey Malican, **Hockaday School of Dallas**; Sophia Tran, **North Garland HS**.