

Every student regardless of disability should have a chance to go to college

ScholasTIC Tourette's Supporters want TS students to develop a love and desire for learning despite personal challenges. Many individuals with TS have trouble in school because symptoms can cause difficulties with attention, OCD, restlessness, anxiety, and repetitive noises and movements. Learning can be impacted not from inability, but from an overburdened brain. Our scholarship rewards TS students seeking post-secondary education and recognizes that they work harder than most people know.



ScholasTIC Tourette's Supporters



A Scholarship for individuals with Tourette Syndrome

The only scholarship organization in California serving students with TS



Q&A

What is Tourette Syndrome?

Tourette Syndrome (TS) is a neurodevelopmental disorder that becomes evident in early childhood or adolescence. It is part of the Spectrum of Tic disorders and is characterized by motor and vocal tics.

How many children have TS

Tics and Tourette Syndrome affect 1:100 children. Tics can be transient and go away as adolescents become adults. In some patients the disorder persists into adulthood.

Why do these kids need scholarships?

Many children with TS have other co-morbid conditions such as ADHD, OCD, anxiety and learning differences. Elementary and middle school years are the most difficult time for these students and it is common for some areas of learning to need support. Inconsistent grades may be difficult to account for. Our scholarship committee understands when making awards.

ScholasTIC Tourette's Supporter's is a 501(c)3 designated non-profit located in Southern California. Funds are raised for the purpose of supporting students challenged with Tourette Syndrome (TS). The organization is 100% volunteer run with all money raised going to the scholarship fund. Internal operating costs are donated by volunteers and not generated by fundraisers.

The members of this organization are very dedicated to fundraising transparency and are proud of their Guidestar rating of Platinum level. This rating means that all funds are accounted for and actually make it to the students in the form of a monetary award. The scholarship ranges from \$250-\$2500 for each awardee. Qualified applicants of all abilities are encouraged to apply. The unique consideration by this non-profit is that overall GPA may not be high, and ACT/SAT scores may not reflect true ability due to test taking difficulties often experienced by students with TS. Awards are based on overall improvement of grades over time, on Letters of Recommendation, personal interests and talents, and essay submission.

The goal of this organization is to raise funds serving as many applicants as possible. To date we have raised over \$60,000 and given 35 scholarships to students with Tourette Syndrome. Please visit the website, the Guidestar profile or Facebook page to learn more about this growing, grassroots non-profit.