



2018 Taylor's Gift Scholarship
presented by the Nike Global Socks Team
Application Deadline is April 13, 2018

To apply, visit TaylorsGift.org/scholarship

Taylor's Gift Foundation strives to honor students with a giving spirit that strive to make the world a better place. The Taylor's Gift Scholarship is based on criteria that goes beyond academics and extracurricular activities, seeking students that are actively making a positive difference in the lives of others and embodying the "Outlive Yourself" spirit.

About Taylor's Gift Foundation

Taylor's Gift Foundation is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization established in the honor and memory of Taylor Storch, a vibrant and gifted 13 year-old girl who lost her life in a tragic ski accident in 2010. Giving the gift of life through organ donation, Taylor impacted the lives of five people - a selfless act that continues to make an immeasurable impact in the world. In an effort to increase organ donation education and to honor their daughter's ultimate gift of life, Taylor's parents Todd and Tara Storch founded Taylor's Gift Foundation with a mission to increase organ donation to *Regift Life, Renew Health, and Restore Families*.

To learn more about Taylor's Gift Foundation please visit TaylorsGift.org

Submission Guidelines

Applicants are required to submit their application for the Taylor's Gift National Scholarship online. Please review the "Criteria and Application Information" section (below) prior to applying for the scholarship. The applicant must complete and submit the online application in one sitting (there is no option to save and come back). All required information, two letters of recommendation (uploaded or emailed), and two written essays are due by the application deadline.

IMPORTANT: No late applications will be accepted. Multiple submissions are not permitted. Not following the submission guidelines above may disqualify the applicant. If the applicant is unable to upload letters of recommendation, they may be emailed to scholarship@taylorsgift.org by the application deadline.

Evaluation and Award

The Taylor's Gift Foundation Scholarship Committee will score all applications on a weighted scale. All applications and information will be kept confidential, and no personal information - other than what is

necessary for evaluation - will be shared with the committee. Finalists may be asked to do a personal interview via phone or video call. School counselors may be contacted to verify student information.

Criteria and Application Information

Taylor's Gift Foundation is seeking high school seniors who will attend a four year college or university. Please be prepared to provide the following information when submitting your application:

- **Personal Information:** Name, Contact Information, Parent/Guardian, Academics, Activities, College, etc.
- **Two Letters of Recommendation**
 1. A letter from a high school counselor, teacher, or resource person within the community that knows the applicant.
-AND-
 2. A letter from an adult who witnessed the applicant making a positive impact in the lives of others.
- **Two Written Essays**
 1. *"How I have made a positive impact in the lives of others and in my world."* (max 500 words)
Tell us how you have made a positive impact in your "world" by exemplifying an "Outlive Yourself" spirit. Your "world" can be defined as: organizations you're involved in, your church, your local community, your school, your family, etc.
-AND-
 2. *"Why is Organ Donation important?"* (max 200 words)
Tell us why you think organ donation is important. This can be personally, in general, or both. Some thought starters: Have you been touched by organ donation by someone you know? Have you done anything to promote organ donation or Taylor's Gift? How could the decision of organ donation have a ripple effect of good? We are not necessarily looking for these questions to be answered, rather providing them as a means of provoking an idea.

Awards

Three National Scholarships in the amount of \$1000 each, and two Coppell Scholarships (one student from Coppell High School and one student from New Tech High School) in the amount of \$1000 each, will be awarded the 2018 Taylor's Gift Scholarship. All recipients must attend college within the ensuing year or they forfeit the award. All scholarship monies will be sent to the recipients upon verification of registration at the college of their choice.

OUTLIVE YOURSELF

Become an organ donor or check to make sure you are one at TaylorsGift.org. While you may have checked "organ donor" on your driver's license, there's a chance your name may not be in the official registry.



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