



# 2016-2017 Student CTA (SCTA) in Honor of L. Gordon Bittle

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## Eligibility

1. Be an active member of Student CTA (SCTA). This scholarship is not available to those working in schools as members of CTA. CTA members (including those with an emergency credential) should complete the CTA Scholarship for Members application.
2. Be pursuing a career in public education. Applicants may be in an undergraduate, teacher credential or graduate program.
3. Applications must be submitted online by 11:59 p.m. on **Friday, February 3, 2017**. A complete application consists of the online application, two current letters of recommendation and official transcripts.
4. High school grade point average should reflect a high unweighted average. College coursework should reflect high academic achievement. Explain any unique circumstances related to medical, physical or emotional difficulties that may have affected your grades.

## Evaluation of Applications

1. Scholarships are awarded based on:

☒ Applicant's Statement	30 pts	}	50%
☒ School and Community Activities	20 pts		
☒ Letter of Recommendation #1	25 pts	}	50%
☒ Letter of Recommendation #2	<u>25 pts</u>		
	100 pts		

- ☒ Points will be deducted if the guidelines are not followed.

2. Letters of recommendation must separately address each of the following categories:
  - ☒ Involvement in and sensitivity to human, social and civic issues that reflect responsibility, reliability and integrity;
  - ☒ Educational and personal achievements that reflect academic and vocational potential.
3. Applications are read in their entirety by the CTA Scholarship Committee. The applications with the highest cumulative scores are chosen as scholarship recipients.

## Scholarship Awards

1. CTA receives about 20 applications in this category annually. A maximum of three scholarships of up to \$5,000 are awarded.
  - ❑ One scholarship is designated as the Pacific Asian American Scholarship in Honor of Philip Vera Cruz and is awarded to the highest scoring SCTA applicant.
2. Scholarship applicants are notified by mail in May. In order to receive funds, scholarship recipients will be required to submit proof of registration for the summer or fall 2017 semester/quarter as:
  - ❑ A full-time student in an accredited institution of higher learning; or
  - ❑ Registered in an approved credential or degree program in an accredited institution of higher learning.
3. Scholarship funds must be used for education-related expenses only.

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**A Complete Application Includes:**

- Applicant Information**
- Applicant's Statement** (Please provide word count)
- School/Community/Professional Record**
- Letter of Recommendation #1** – Educator – **No family members.**  
(Teacher, Counselor, Administrator, School Coach, College Professor).  
Please provide word count.
- Letter of Recommendation #2** – Educator or Community Member. A community member is someone who knows the applicant outside of the school setting. **No family members.** Please provide word count.
- OFFICIAL Transcripts** – Send **ONLY** official high school and/or college transcripts bearing the school seal. Transcripts from the most recent years of coursework will be used to compute the applicant's GPA. Include high school transcripts if college units total less than 60 semester or 90 quarter units.

**Directions:**

- Please follow directions on each page. Applications where directions are not followed are considered incomplete.
- Letters of recommendation must be current or within this academic year (NO old or recycled letters.) They must also have the signature of the originator or else the letter will not be accepted.
- **Letters of recommendation must address each category SEPARATELY or they WILL BE considered incomplete.** The CTA Scholarship Committee must be able to evaluate and score each category independently.
- **Choose carefully the two people that will be writing the letters of recommendation.** Select those that know you best and can address each category. Judges are looking for situations/examples that demonstrate achievement in each of the categories. Letters of recommendation for college admission will not be considered.
- Official transcripts and two current letters of recommendation must be sent separately to:  
**CTA, Attn: Janeya Dawson, P.O. Box 921, Burlingame, CA 94011-0921**

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Incomplete and late applications will NOT be considered.

**Submit letters of recommendation to:**

CTA Scholarship Committee  
Human Rights Department,  
c/o Janeya Dawson  
Post Office Box 921  
Burlingame, CA 94011-0921