**Aspiring Teacher Ambassador Scholarship**

**Application Requirements**

The College of Education and Human Development, with support from the Sid Richardson Foundation, is seeking to identify five Aspiring Teacher Ambassadors who will support recruitment of preservice teachers. Those selected will serve for two semesters, spring and fall 2024, and receive scholarships in the amount of $1,250 per semester for each of the two semesters. Aspiring Teacher Ambassadors will:

* + Establish, organize, and lead a TAMUCC Chapter of Aspiring Rising Educators; **and**
  + Recruit prospective preservice teachers interested in Mathematics, Science, Bilingual Education, or Special Education from among current TAMUCC undergraduate students and high school students in the ESC Region II area (conducting at least 5 outreach activities per semester for two semesters).

To apply for the Aspiring Teacher Ambassador Scholarship, you must:

* Be a junior or senior, seeking teacher certification in 4-8 or 7-12 Mathematics, 4-8 or 7-12 Science, Bilingual Education, or Special Education;
* Have a GPA of 2.75 or above;
* Submit an application via this [Qualtrics link](https://tamucc.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_cFLC5Ut31LubP0y);
* Obtain a recommendation from at least one of your professors (to be submitted via this [Qualtrics link](https://tamucc.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_agjOY3xmI68FIlo)); **and**
* Submit a Video Interview as described below.

**STEPS:**

Your video should be **no more than three minutes** in length, responding to the interview question. The purpose of the question is to understand in detail how you do your work. The question will ask you to describe past events in great detail. There are ***key things to remember in telling your story***:

1. First, think of the **very best story you have to tell us that matches the question**.
2. **Introduce yourself** and state why you would make a good Aspiring Teacher Ambassador.
3. **Make “I” statements and talk about your specific role** in your story (avoid using ‘we’ without telling us *your specific role*).
4. Try to **include any relevant and specific conversations** you had with anyone involved in your story.
5. As you share the specifics of each past event, please be sure to also occasionally **share how you were feeling and the thoughts that you had** at that time.

**Question:**

* *Share an event when you felt that you actions had a positive impact on another individual or group*. Record a video (**no longer than three minutes**) of yourself in which you tell us the story in great detail, including:
* How and/or why did you become involved with this event?
* What actions did you take along the to enhance your likelihood of success?
* Why did you take those actions?
* Once recorded, save your video using one of [these formats.](https://support.google.com/youtube/troubleshooter/2888402?hl=en)
* Upload your video to YouTube.
  + Sign in or create an account
  + Upload your video
  + Set your video privacy to **“Unlisted”**
* Paste the link to your Video Interview in the appropriate box on the application form**.**

**Interview videos and applications must be submitted by December 15 at midnight in order to be considered.**

**Tips and things to remember:**

1. Dress professionally and make sure you have a professional background.
2. Check the lighting, sound, and video quality before you record (complete a test run).
3. Choose the best story that you have for the question and sketch a brief outline of what you are going to share ahead of time.
4. Include as much detail as you can, responding to the prompt in its entirety.
5. Imagine that you are having a professional conversation with someone you know… Be yourself!
6. Before you copy and paste the link, test it with someone you trust to make sure it works.