



YISD CLASS OF 2021 Checklist

Use the checklist below to help you prepare to submit your applications to the YEF Scholarships.

- Prepare a list of possible recommenders – two will be requested, but you should have at least three (3) ready to submit just in case
- Ask them if they are willing to submit a recommendation on your behalf
 - If yes, email them your resume/ activities list and say Thank You!
 - If no, go to next person on your list
- Prepare Essay drafts to include in the applications
 - Essays must be a minimum of 250 words not to exceed 1,000 words
 - Have teacher/counselor/parent review it for you
 - See essay questions below and be sure you answered the question in your essay

Academic Scholarship

Describe which university you plan to attend and why you chose that university. Include the major you wish to pursue and how it will be applied to your future plans and adult life.

Community Service Scholarship

Describe the impact your service made to the community.

Overcoming Life Challenges Scholarship

Describe your outstanding personal achievement.

Hunt Scholarship

1. Discuss the reasons why you should be a recipient of this scholarship. Provide information on how you plan to utilize the funds to assist academic endeavors.
2. Think of a person outside of your family that has been an influence in your life. Describe that influential person and how he/she has helped change your view of yourself and the world.
3. The following qualities are shared by successful people: Drive, Passion, Self-reliance, Connection with others, Willpower, Optimism, Perseverance, Self-confidence, Integrity, and Effective Communication. Pick one of the qualities, describe the value of this quality, and explain how you have exemplified this trait.

Checklist (continued)

- Create and update your resume including a list of activities, volunteer service, awards and/or employment
- Go to yefscholarships.yisd.net and enter demographic student information
 - Enter potential colleges you are looking at attending
 - REMEMBER – you must plan to attend a 4-year university to qualify
 - **Ysleta HS students** – the Hunt Scholarship is available for you if you plan to attend EPCC
- Start applications of scholarships you are eligible for
- Enter recommenders name and email address as soon as possible to give them enough time to submit your recommendation (be sure email is **correct**)
- Check your application to see if recommenders submitted their recommendation
 - If they are not submitted – follow up
 - If they are not able to submit – replace them with another recommender
 - If they did submit a recommendation for you – be sure to write them a Thank You Note
- Answer all questions on the application and ensure they are accurate and complete
- Copy and paste your final essay(s)
- Update your final list of activities/volunteer hours/ awards/ employment

Questions:

- Contact your Counselor or Go Center
- Call the YEF Office at (915) 434-0505 or send an email to yef@yisd.net

DEADLINES:

- Hunt Scholarship Deadline (Ysleta HS only): Jan. 31st
- YEF Scholarships (all YISD campuses): Feb. 28th

Good Luck!