



1. DEADLINE for scholarship applications is **April 14, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.**
2. Refer to criteria below for **eligibility requirements**.
3. Refer to application process below for a list of the supporting documents needed (i.e., reference forms, evidence of GPA, etc.) **Incomplete applications will NOT be considered.**
4. If any question does not apply to you in this application please, put N/A in the space.
5. Type or print legibly. Illegible applications will not be considered.
6. All Scholarship recipients will be announced at the AVID Celebration.
7. If you have any questions about the application, please call the AVID office at (432) 456-8549 (Amy Anderson).

NOTE: Scholarship funds will be awarded to the student upon evidence of acceptance/registration in an accredited post-secondary institution.

Purpose: To provide scholarships to six (6) AVID Seniors graduating in May 2021 who intend to pursue post-secondary course of study at either a college/university or another post-secondary educational institution. Overall, six (6) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to six (6) seniors selected by the Complex Community Federal Credit Union Scholarship Committee.

Criteria - Eligibility Requirements:

- Applicant must be an AVID senior in Ector County ISD graduating in May 2021
- Applicant must have an overall 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale (transcript must be attached)
- Applicant must have completed and submitted the FAFSA
- Applicant must complete 5 hours of community service by date of submission

Application Process:

Applicant must submit the following items -

- Completed application form (Please write legibly or type)
- One letter of recommendation from your choice of high school teachers, administrators, or counselor
- An official high school transcript with cumulative grade point average and class rank
- Personal essay (**Must be typed and approximately 500 words long**)

Essay Topic: “Pay It Forward”

The last year has presented many challenges, but amidst the chaos and uncertainty, we have witnessed the best of humanity step up in big ways. We have seen people going out of their way to reach out to their neighbors, friends, and total strangers selflessly bringing kindness, compassion, and willingness to fulfill the needs of the people around them. That intentional kindness can be the difference-maker in someone’s life. Paying it forward is making the decision, when someone extends kindness to us, instead of repaying that person, we pay forward that kindness to someone else. Hoping the impact can continue to be felt throughout our community. How has the AVID community of educators, classmates, and mentors helped you become who you are today? How has that impact changed your trajectory? How do you intend to “Pay it Forward” that impact?

Things to include or review before writing your essay:

- The Butterfly Effect – How Your Life Matters
<https://youtu.be/ndPZVGwaRww>
- Do you believe that every single thing you do matters? If so how does that change the way you live each day?
- Tell us about a time when something you did impacted the trajectory of someone else’s day, week, or year? Or a time when something someone else did for you that impacted the trajectory of your day, week, or year?
- What kind of legacy do you wish to leave? What kind of person do you wish to be to others? In what ways has AVID helped you to become that person?
- Feel free to include how AVID has helped you to gain new opportunities and achieve your goals and how you intend to “Pay it Forward” to someone else.
- All essay submissions should be typed, double spaced and at least 500 words.

From the 6 selected essay winners, 2 of the winning essays will be selected to be read at the District AVID Celebration.

Deadline for the application is **April 14, 2021**. Applications postmarked after this date will not be considered.

Please email, mail, OR submit application in person to:

Amy.Anderson@ectorcountyisd.org

or

AVID Department (to the attention of Amy Anderson)
ECISD Curriculum & Instruction Center
302 E. 29th St
Odessa, TX 79761



**Complex Community Federal Credit Union
 “Pay It Forward” AVID Scholarship Application 2021**

(Due: April 14, 2021)

Please type or print your answers. If application is illegible it will not be considered.

1.	Last Name: _____	First Name: _____
2.	Mailing Address: Street: _____ City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____	
3.	Daytime Telephone Number: (____) _____	
4.	Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____	
5.	Current High School: _____	Number of years in AVID: _____
6.	I will be attending the following college/university in the <u>Fall of 2021</u> : _____	

13. Community Service: Hours completed? _____ Date completed or will complete: _____

Agency where service hours were completed or are planning to complete:

14. What school activities/clubs are you involved in?
