



Dear Scholarship Candidate,

The Mid-South Fair Youth Talent Committee is now accepting applications for the 2011 Anna Travis Scholarship and the Jerry Pace Memorial Scholarship. You are receiving this letter because you participated in the 2011 Youth Talent Contest and our records indicate that you meet the age requirement for application. If after reading the requirements for scholarship, you feel you qualify, please have the application and all accompanying documents completely filled out and submitted no later than **MARCH 1, 2012**.

The Anna Travis Scholarship was established in 1988 to honor the memory of Anna Travis, an Honor Student at Evangelical Christian School and a cherished member of the Youth Talent Family. Nicole Jordan was awarded this scholarship this past year and is attending the University of Alabama.

The Jerry Pace Memorial Scholarship was established in 2001 by the family of Jerry Pace, a beloved member of the Mid South Fair Family, and a long time volunteer on the Youth Talent Committee. Jerry was an athlete and an educator and as such was very committed to the spirit of the Youth Talent program. She encouraged kids to be involved in a program that rewarded and showcased the efforts made by not only the award winners but also those who worked hard just to have the chance to perform. At the Fair, she could always be found in the 2nd seat on the 2nd row and in the hearts of all the kids who were recipients of her encouragement. This scholarship will honor that spirit and commitment. Kevin Owen was awarded this scholarship this past year and is currently attending the University of Arkansas.

We ask that you provide all school transcripts inclusive of ACT scores up to the date of Dec. 31, 2011 We also would like for you to provide 3 letters of recommendation from school officials, community or church leaders. Please also submit a 250 word essay discussing the Merit of the Youth Talent Program and one's personal growth achieved as a result of participation. We also recommend a resume to include your leadership skills, participation in the community, and any awards or recognition received by the applicant. We look forward to receiving your application. If you have any questions about any information enclosed, please call the Mid South Fair at 901-322-1443 or 901-274-8800, or email mrodgers@midouthfair.com or email me at kjudge@aol.com.

Thank You,
DEBBIE BRANAN,



For those of you who have competed in 2011 in the Youth Talent Contest or any other contest at the Mid-South Fair for two consecutive years or more; you are also eligible to apply for the 3 Mid-South Fair Scholarships for \$1,000 each. Please increase your chances and apply for both scholarships. **I highly encourage those of you that have received both applications to fill them both out, enclose your proper documentation and write the 2 essays. Most importantly please get them in by the deadline.**

Last year, Youth Talent contestants did receive these Mid-South Fair scholarships as well as two of the Youth Talent contestants being awarded the Anna Travis and Jerry Pace Memorial Scholarships Who knows; perhaps this year one of these could be awarded to you-you will never know unless you apply.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact US at (901)322-1456 or mrodgers@midsouthfair.com or to me at kdjudge@aol.com

Looking forward to receiving your applications,

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