



**The Helium Litigation  
Scholarship Fund, Inc.**

Background information:

The Helium Litigation Scholarship Fund, Inc., was established in the wake of the protracted litigation regarding helium processed from natural gas produced from the Hugoton Field in Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas. Based on joint support from counsel for the producers, pipeline companies and helium companies involved in the helium litigation, the United States District Court for the District of Kansas, Wichita, Kansas and the District Court of Sedgwick County, Kansas jointly ruled on August 16, 1991, that a minor portion of the settlement funds were "undistributable" to class members of the litigation.

The Courts further ruled that the remaining funds should be distributed to The Helium Litigation Scholarship Fund, Inc., a non-profit corporation established to grant scholarships to students who will be engaged in agricultural, environmental or energy related studies at an accredited college, university or junior college. Incoming college freshman from a 17-county area of Southwest Kansas, and the Panhandles of Oklahoma and Texas are eligible to apply. Only interest earned on the fund will be used to fund the scholarships. The eligibility requirements are detailed below.

Under the guidelines established by the Scholarship Fund Board, four incoming college freshmen from this area will be chosen to receive a scholarship of approximately \$1,000. (The amount of the scholarships will be determined annually by the Board based upon earnings on the scholarship funds.) As long as the selected students maintain eligibility for the scholarship, they will be able to renew the scholarship each year during their undergraduate studies. The scholarships will be renewable for four years. The Fund will maintain twenty-four scholarships annually.

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Applicant must be an incoming college freshman who is a resident of one of the following counties in Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas.

Kansas Counties

Hamilton  
Kearny  
Finney  
Stanton  
Grant  
Haskell  
Stevens  
Seward  
Morton

Oklahoma Counties

Texas  
Beaver  
Cimarron

Texas Counties

Moore  
Sherman  
Hansford  
Ochiltree  
Hutchinson

## Eligibility Requirements

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2. Applicant will be engaged in agricultural, environmental or energy related studies at any accredited college, university, or junior college.
3. Applicant will become an undergraduate student who is enrolled as a full-time student (minimum of 12 hours per semester).
4. Applicant will satisfy other nondiscriminatory academic and economic criteria as follows:
  - A. Completed application form postmarked on or before **February 15, 2020**.
  - B. Prior academic performance. (Copy of transcript)
  - C. Minimum GPA of 3.5
  - D. Performance on tests designed to measure ability and aptitude for college work. (Results of ACT with a minimum of 23 or SAT with a minimum 1130)
  - E. Recommendations from instructors.
  - F. Financial need.
  - G. Conclusions which directors may draw from a personal interview as to the applicant's motivation, character, ability, and potential.
  - H. Other nondiscriminatory criteria as the directors deem proper for selecting scholarship recipients.
5. Applicant may apply for renewal of this scholarship each year of undergraduate study by presenting the following information to the scholarship Board of Directors.
  - A. A letter stating applicant's intent to re-enroll at a college or university as a full-time student. (A minimum of 12 hours per semester.)
  - B. Identification of their major field of study.
  - C. Applicant's current accumulative GPA which should be 3.5 or above on a 4.0 scale.
  - D. A current transcript from the college or university.
  - E. Must be post-marked by February 15<sup>th</sup> each year.

**HELIUM LITIGATION SCHOLARSHIP - APPLICATION FORM**  
**2020-2021**

**Part I. *Personal Information:***

|                         |        |             |
|-------------------------|--------|-------------|
| Name:                   |        |             |
| Social Security Number: |        |             |
| Address:                |        | Phone:      |
| City:                   | State: | Zip:        |
| County:                 |        |             |
| Name of Father:         |        | Occupation: |
| Address:                |        |             |
| City:                   | State: | Zip:        |
| Name of Mother:         |        | Occupation: |
| Address:                |        |             |
| City:                   | State: | Zip:        |

**Part II. *Education:***

|  |        |      |
|--|--------|------|
| Expected date of high school graduation:   |        |      |
| Name of high school now attending:   |        |      |
| Address:   | Phone: |      |
| City:  | State: | Zip: |
| Name & location of college, university, or junior college you plan to attend this fall:  |        |      |
| Intended college major:  |        |      |
| Describe on a separate sheet of paper in 200 words or less why you are interested in pursuing a college education in your chosen field of study: |        |      |

**Part III. School Activities:**

List below any high school activities, organizations, and sports in which you have participated and indicate what offices you have held in each. List achievements, honors or awards, including any state or national awards, honors or recognitions received (you may need to use separate sheet of paper):

**Part IV. Community Activities and work experience:**

List below any community organizations and activities in which you have participated and indicate offices held in each. List achievements, honors, or awards received. Then list any work experience showing past or current employment and name of employer (you may need to use separate sheet of paper):

**Part V. Financial Need:**

Explain your need for financial assistance to continue your college education and describe your plans for meeting this financial need:

List anticipated college costs for next year: Tuition \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Room & Board \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Will you have any brothers or sisters attending college during the next year?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how many: \_\_\_\_\_

I have prepared this application and believe it to be correct.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**All application materials, including the reference forms, must be postmarked no later than February 15, 2020.** Send applications to The Helium Litigation Scholarship Fund, Inc., P. O. Box 248, Hugoton, KS 67951-0248.

**Part VI. High School Academic Verification**

The following information is to be filled out by a high school official, i.e. counselor or administrator.

|  |                      |
|--|----------------------|
| *High School Grade Point Average _____ on a scale of 4.0.                        |                      |
| Number graduating in high school senior class _____                              | Student's rank _____ |
| *ACT composite score: _____ and/or SAT Selection Index: Math: _____ Verbal _____ |                      |
| Name of School: _____  | Date: _____          |

**Note:**  
**Please attach a current high school transcript to this application.**

**\* Please note a minimum GPA of 3.5 and ACT of 23 or SAT of 1130.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of High School Official

\_\_\_\_\_  
Title

**Part VII. References:**

List below the names, titles, mailing addresses and phone numbers of the three persons other than relatives you have asked to complete and mail the reference form. **Their letters must be postmarked no later than February 15, 2020.** (Applicant - it is suggested that you provide your references with an envelope to forward their reference letter to us.)

|                   |
|-------------------|
| Name:<br>Address: |
| Name:<br>Address: |
| Name:<br>Address: |

**Final Deadline  
is February 15.**

This form may be duplicated.



# Helium Litigation Scholarship Fund, Inc. Reference Form

Name of scholarship applicant:

Name of reference:

Profession/title:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

School/Organization:

How long have you known the applicant?

**Instructions to references:** The Helium Scholarship Litigation selection committee relies to a considerable extent upon the assessment of references. The Committee is interested in having your appraisal of the applicant in the following areas.

**Aptitude**

Comment:

**Reliability**

Comment:



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**Standards  
of personal  
conduct and  
honesty**

Comment:

**Leadership  
ability**

Comment:

**Special  
qualities of  
applicant that  
would  
contribute to  
his/her success  
in higher  
education**

Comment:

**Please submit by February 15, 2020**

**Signature**

**Date:**

**I am the above reference source and am submitting this form by email from the email address listed above.**

You may submit this form by email, or print and mail to:

Helium Litigation Scholarship Fund, Inc.  
P.O. Box 248  
Hugoton, KS 67951