



Eddie G. Bull Professional Development Scholarship

to be awarded to a

Rising TEXAS Star

“Commitment of Excellence to Students, Staff and School Community”

The mission of the Texas Association of Secondary School Principals is to give voice to secondary school administrators and to enhance their ability to transform schools into communities of learning by establishing vital relationships among principals and providing a forum for research and best practices in secondary schools.

The Texas Association of Secondary School Principals seeks to recognize exemplary performance among beginning campus-level administrators in Texas and to provide the support needed to promote quality leadership in secondary education. The Eddie G. Bull Professional Development Scholarship will be awarded at the annual TASSP Summer Workshop held in Dallas, Texas. Nominations for the award must be submitted by the individual applicant. The application for the award must be completed and e-mailed to TASSP by **April 1, 2026**.

A selection committee named by the President of TASSP will review the nominations and select the finalists. This committee will meet during the winter board meeting and choose the recipient of the award.

The recipient of the Eddie G. Bull Professional Development Scholarship will be introduced at the First General Session of

the TASSP Summer Workshop. The recipient will also be recognized at the appropriate region meeting, where he/she will share the responses addressed in the essay regarding the core beliefs of *Breaking Ranks II*.

The applicant must submit an essay that will be included in the selection process. A copy of the essay submitted by the recipient of the award will be published in the *TASSP Texas Study* and/or *TASSP News Highlights*. The determination of the selected publication will be made by the TASSP staff.

The scholarship is valued at \$1500.00. This amount can be used as credit toward TASSP events scheduled between Sept. 1 and Aug. 31, including membership fees, registration fees, pre-conference and seminar fees. The award cannot be used for travel expenses. The maximum cost of registration fees during one fiscal year cannot exceed \$1500.00.

- I. Criteria for Eligibility: In their first 1-3 years of experience as Principal and/or Assistant Principal, and current member of TASSP
- II. Application: Must be filled out completely.
- III. Submit three letters of support and recommendation with the application.
 - A. Required: Letter from the Superintendent that indicates support for attendance at TASSP professional development workshops and academies.
 - B. Second and third letters from a professional colleague, community member, student, etc.
- IV. Submit an essay focusing on the three core beliefs of *Breaking Ranks II*: (See specific guidelines for submitting this manuscript below.)
 - A. Rigor: Raising academic performance through effective curriculum and assessment design
 - B. Relationships: Increasing Student Engagement through Personalization Strategies
 - C. Relevance: Planning and leading professional development with purpose and vision
- V. Manuscripts for the Eddie G. Bull Professional Development Scholarship must be submitted electronically **by April 1, 2026**. Complete the application, scan all required pages into a single document, and upload it through the link provided on the TASSP Eddie G. Bull web page.
- VI. Manuscripts must be no more than ten pages in length, double-spaced with 12-point type. All pages must be numbered, and references should be formatted in APA style. Articles must be submitted in electronic format via electronic mail. A brief author bio should also be included with the article (2 - 3 sentences), but on a separate page. Please include the author's preferred mailing address. TASSP reserves the right to edit all manuscripts selected for publication in the *Texas Study of Secondary Education* and/or the *News Highlights*.



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Please indicate position: Principal Assistant Principal

Current member of TASSP? YES NO

Years of Experience as a Principal and/or Assistant Principal: _____

First Name	
Last Name	
School	
Address	
School City/State/Zip	
School Phone	
School Fax	
Superintendent	
E-mail address	
District	
District Address	
District City/State/Zip	

Deadline for Applications and Materials: April 1, 2026