



Tall Clubs International and TCI Foundation
Present the
Kae Sumner Einfeldt & Virginia Linguist Winker
Scholarships

Information for Interested Applicants 2009

Tall Clubs International (TCI) is a social organization for women and men of specific tall stature and has more than 50 clubs throughout the United States and Canada. TCI members, through their local clubs and TCI, take pride in fostering tall awareness through community involvement in projects, activities and through their official charities, TCI Foundation and National Marfan Foundation.

The scholarships are open to all qualifying high school seniors and any applicant under the age of 21 attending their first year at a two or four year accredited institution of higher learning. All applicants must also meet the minimum height requirements of TCI; 5' 10" for women and 6' 2" for men. The applicant must live within the geographic area served by the participating club that has an established scholarship program in place, or a participating club willing to sponsor an eligible applicant.

Though many clubs do sponsor a scholarship program it is not mandatory; therefore the applicant needs to first determine if there is a local sponsoring club for the current year. This process can be started by checking with their school's guidance office and/or the local newspapers since many clubs use these venues to advertise their sponsorship.

The TCI web site, www.tall.org, is another excellent source of information to determine if there is a local club, and if that club is sponsoring a scholarship. Contact information for all clubs is available on the website. **All applicants must be sponsored by a local club in their area.** Students **cannot** submit an application directly to Tall Clubs International or the Alternate Executive Board or TCI Foundation.

After confirmation from the local sponsoring club, the applicant should follow the directions of that club to receive the application packet. **Please be sure to complete the whole application packet** and submit all required paperwork by the date due.

The completed application packet must include:

- Two-page application signed by the applicant
- Official transcript from their high school
- Recommendation form and letter from within the school community
- Recommendation form and letter from outside the school community
- One page 8.5 X 11 typed original essay, "What Being Tall Means to Me."
- Release form to publish the essay and/or photo of applicant (May or may not be signed)

The Scholarship Committee will assess the applications based on several criteria.

These criteria will include:

- ★ Academic record and achievement
- ★ Involvement in clubs and activities in the school community
- ★ Involvement in clubs and activities outside the school community
- ★ Personal achievement - it is noted that the additional information about the applicant's accomplishments may be included with the application.
- ★ Insight and content of typed essay, "What Being Tall Means to Me."
- ★ Recommendation letters – Letters to Colleges can be accepted
 - (1) From within the school community
 - (1) From outside the school community

Applicants are responsible for submitting the required completed application packet to the local sponsoring scholarship committee by the specified date.

The participating clubs will submit the application packet, along with a personal Letter of Recommendation from the sponsoring club with that club's contact information included, to Tall Clubs International, Alternate Executive Board Scholarship Committee. The recipients will be notified by their local sponsoring club.

If you have further questions regarding the local scholarship program or the TCI Scholarship Program, send an email to: tallwindmills@sbcglobal.net with the subject: Scholarship 2009. Please include your hometown, state and a brief explanation of how you heard about the scholarship program.

Thank you for an interest in TCI and good luck to all applicants.

Ginny Mills, President
Alternate Executive Board
TCI Scholarship Committee

Athletics:	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th

Awards, Honors, and Achievements:	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th

Community Service and Volunteer Work:	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th

Other Personal Achievements:	9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th

I understand that an official academic transcript, the application, essay, and two recommendations must be received by the local club by the specified date.

I hereby affirm that I intend to enter an accredited college/university as a full-time student, and that I propose to use the funds, if awarded, for that purpose. I understand that my enrollment must be completed within the current calendar year.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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Scholarship Recommendation

Within the School Community

This is a recommendation for _____ who is applying for the TCI scholarships listed above. Please give your honest opinion of this student in the spaces below. If you have not observed a particular section, please mark N/A for "Not Applicable."

Attributes	Fair	Average	Above Average	Outstanding
Academic Potential				
Attendance				
Leadership Ability				
Initiative				
Reliability				
Integrity				
Enthusiasm				
Attitude towards other people				
Attitude towards themselves				
Civic Responsibility				
Personal Organization				
Originality				

Please attach a letter of recommendation to this form so that the selection committee will be better able to appreciate your knowledge of the candidate's personality and achievements. Recommendation letters sent to colleges may be used and are welcome.

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State/Prov., Zip/Postal Code: _____

Telephone: () _____ Occupation: _____

Email Address (optional): _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

The applicant can provide the "return by date" and the address of the local Tall Club to which and by which this has to be received. Late recommendation and or incomplete applications may not be accepted or considered.

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Student Essay Instructions: Submit an original essay (one page 8.5 x 11 typed in Times New Roman font 12) entitled “*What Being Tall Means to Me*”

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General Release Form for Publishing Standard Content

I, _____, give Tall Clubs International, Inc and TCI Foundation, Inc the absolute right and permission to use my name, essay and/or photograph in its promotional materials and publicity efforts. I understand that these articles(s) may be used in a publication, print ad, electronic media (e.g. video, CD-ROM, Internet, World Wide Web), or other form of promotion.

I acknowledge that TCI owns the photograph. I acknowledge TCI's right to crop or treat the photograph in its discretion. I also acknowledge that TCI may choose not to use the photograph at this time, but may do so at its own discretion at a later date.

I waive any right to compensation arising from or related to the use of the photograph.

I am 18 years of age or older. ** If under 18 years of age, parent or guardian must co-sign below.

Name (Please Print Clearly)

Date of Birth

Signature

Date

Applicant is under 18 years of age, parent/guardian must co-sign below.

Name of Parent/Guardian (Please Print Clearly)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Please forward completed release form with scholarship application.