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Dear Scholarship Applicant,

Trinity (TX) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated will award its **Scholarship for Excellence** in May 2021 in the amount of \$2,000. The Scholarship for Excellence is dedicated to helping highly motivated students and/or former So SMAART (Set on Science, Math, Arts, Aviation, Reading and Technology) participants who have demonstrated a strong commitment to community involvement and to pursuing their college education and career dreams. So SMAART is a program of Trinity (TX) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated to encourage elementary and middle school girls to pursue STEM careers. The scholarship will help pay for preparation for a career through an accredited institution of higher education, including community college or a four-year university.

Requirements:

- High School graduating senior
- Highly motivated student and/or former So SMAART participant
- Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.0 or higher (on 4.0 system)
- Two (2) letters of recommendation (at least one from a high school counselor)
- Copy of most recent transcript
- JPEG photo

Applicants will be judged on the following criteria:

- Financial need
- School organization participation including leadership positions
- Community/civic involvement including leadership positions
- Academic achievement /educational-related information
- Essay – One or, two-page typed essay (double spaced) on your career goals and plans for using your education, talents, and attributes to achieve them. If a previous So SMAART participant, please describe the impact the program had on influencing your educational goals.

To be considered, please complete the Scholarship for Excellence Application Form, and save to a PDF. Please SCAN the essay, transcript, letters of recommendation and photo. Incomplete applications will not be eligible for scholarship awards.

Please email all documents by March 12, 2021 to:

scholars.trinitylinksinc@gmail.com

Before the scholarship check is disbursed, you must submit proof of graduation from high school and documentation of acceptance and enrollment at the post-secondary institution. The Scholarship may be used for enrollment, tuition, fees, and books required for instruction at an accredited institution. Should you have any questions or need additional clarification, please

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Sincerely,

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