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## Adventist Teacher-in-Training Scholarship Application

### Scholarship Outline:

The educational leadership of the Southern Union and its eight Conferences believe that the teacher is the heart of every school. To have healthy, vibrant schools we must have well-trained and dedicated teachers who are talented, energized, and engaged in their commitment to the lives of their students in the service of education ministry.

The purpose of this scholarship is to provide college tuition assistance funding for qualified students graduating from a Southern Union Academy who desire to become a teacher in a Seventh-day Adventist school, and who subsequently enroll and are accepted into an Adventist college or university.

This is a four-year renewable scholarship for four selected applicants paid directly to the Adventist college or university of choice while funding is available. Students choosing to attend either Oakwood University or Southern Adventist University will receive \$1,500 for each of the first two years and \$2,500 for the following two years. Funding is less for colleges or universities outside of the Southern Union. Awards will be implemented in consecutive years, but an educationally related deferral (i.e. student missions) may be granted for one year. Request of deferral is to be made with the Southern Union Office of Education Director.

### Process:

1. Submit the completed application with attachments to the academy principal by February 28<sup>th</sup>.
2. Application and principal's recommendation are forwarded to the Conference Superintendent.
3. Each Conference will select the awardee(s) to be recommended to the Southern Union Superintendents March meeting for prioritizing of awards that are to be finalized by the SU Board of Education.
4. Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the Adventist college/university upon verification of each semester's enrollment and criteria being met.

### Documents to be submitted:

- Application
- Unofficial high school transcript with ACT and/or SAT scores
- Essay for why God has called you to be a teacher
- Principal and/or teacher recommendation letter
- Copy of acceptance letter from an Adventist College/University

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**Date:**

**Applicant's Full Name:**

**Home Address:**

**Email Address:**

**Phone Number:**

**Name of Southern Union Academy that you will be graduating from:**

**Church name and address where you are a member:**

**Name of the Adventist College or University selected for teacher training:**

By signing and submitting this application, the applicant is communicating their desire to participate in the ministry of Adventist education by becoming a teacher in an Adventist school upon completing teacher training and receiving their teaching credentials.

**Signature:**

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### **Applicant Essay:**

Please share why you have chosen to become a teacher in an Adventist school, what/who was your inspiration, what talents do you believe you bring to the profession, and what experiences have you had that have supported your desire to become a teacher? (750 words or less)

