**Timber Ridge PTA Widener-Bega Scholarships**

The Widener-Bega scholarships were created by Timber Ridge PTA President Beth Bega and Timber Ridge Principal Mary Kay Widener as a way to honor Timber Ridge graduates who excelled throughout their school careers by serving as role models of the Timber Ridge values of *Learning, Caring and Sharing*. These are merit scholarships and are not based on financial need. All funds are made payable directly to the students’ colleges and not to them personally.

For 2022, the scholarship award is a one-time grant of $500.

Up to four scholarships will be awarded to Timber Ridge graduates: two to expected graduates of Pope or Walton High School, and two to special education students from Pope or Walton. Students who live in the Pope or Walton districts but attend a Cobb County magnet, charter, or private high school are also eligible.

**APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS**

The applications are submitted to the TRE Grants and Scholarships committee for evaluation after all personally identifiable information has been removed from the applications.

Please complete the application form and submit it with the following:

1. Cover page with ONLY the following information: your High School, major, and GPA
2. Your resume or curriculum vitae (CV)
3. An autobiographical essay
4. An official copy of the high school transcript
5. One to two letters of recommendation from a teacher or someone in the community or place of employment who can speak to your community involvement and character.

Applications, CVs, autobiographical essays, official high school transcripts and letters of recommendation must be emailed to the TRE Grants and Scholarship Committee at **timberridgescholarship@gmail.com** and received by **April 1, 2022** to be considered.

Each applicant must indicate on their application the college to which they have been accepted and/or plan to attend. Community involvement is also a requirement and should be noted on the CV. It is important to consider all aspects of each applicant’s character, and not just academic accomplishments. The applicants must be well rounded and represent all elements of the Timber Ridge motto of *Learning, Caring, Sharing*.

**Timber Ridge PTA Widener-Bega Scholarships Application**

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Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Names\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Grade Levels Completed at Timber Ridge (e.g., K-5 or 2-5) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Timber Ridge Fifth Grade Teacher’s Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship Category Applied For (please circle)

Pope HS/Pope District Walton HS/Walton District Special Education\* Other Cobb County High School

\*If you are applying for the Special Education Scholarship: In what grade was your first IEP? \_\_\_\_

 In what grade was your most recent IEP? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Cobb County high school from which you will graduate\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Current GPA\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Accredited post-secondary institution to which you have been accepted and plan to attend:

School Name\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

School Address\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Planned area of study\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Please submit the following:**

* Completed application form
* Your curriculum vitae including: high school and community activities and offices held, volunteer or paid jobs, honors and awards received - including year received
* One to two letters of recommendation
* Your official high school transcript
* An autobiographical essay

**Autobiographical essay requirements:**

Your essay should focus onthe Timber Ridge motto of *Learning, Caring, and Sharing Together*. Please incorporate the following information in 1-2 typed pages:

* any special talents or interests you possess
* your efforts to share your talents with the community
* your career plans and goals
* conclude with a few sentences of advice to this year’s Timber Ridge graduates to help them be more successful students and citizens. This advice may be shared with them anonymously.

Please Note: If you are applying for the special education scholarship, you may also choose to discuss your disability and its impact on your accomplishments, activities and sharing of your talents.

Please email the application and supporting materials to the TRE Grants and Scholarship Committee at **timberridgescholarship@gmail.com** by **April 1, 2022**.