



REQUIREMENTS OF THE PROMISE PROGRAM

Eligibility will be verified at the conclusion of each year during high school.
ALL DEADLINES ARE STRICTLY ENFORCED

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

Complete each year in high school with a cumulative GPA equal to or greater than a 2.5 on a 4.0 scale or an 80 on a 100-point scale.

Graduate from a participating high school college-ready as defined by the state of Texas

Note: early graduates are eligible as long as all other requirements are met.

PERSISTENCE

Five (5) days or fewer of unexcused absences during the second semester of freshman year.

Ten (10) days or fewer of unexcused absences during each year, sophomore through senior.

Complete the required number of credits to advance to the next class level each year.

Must be on track by end of sophomore year.

No more than one (1) disciplinary action that results in a disciplinary alternative education program (DAEP) as defined by the Texas Education Code.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Twenty-five (25) or more service hours to be completed by April 30 of your senior year.

Submit required documentation to the high school no later than April 30 of your senior year.

Service hours earned after April 30, including summer, may count toward the following year.

Community service is defined as participation in the community outside of school. Service hours are on a volunteer basis and do not include activities where the student is a participant (i.e. community sports leagues) or where he or she receives any type of compensation. This includes monetary compensation, service hours performed to earn extra credit for a class grade or to earn a reward such as a trip, prize or other non-monetary gift. The only exception is any service activity associated with the Boy/Girl Scouts or similar organizations whereby the student is recognized with a badge or similar type of award or recognition.

RESIDENCE

Must attend at least two full academic years at a participating high school. Students attending a private or charter school must also reside within the TJC taxing district.

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PLEDGE TO THE PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

This pledge form must be received by your high school on or before December 14, 2024.

Students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) no later than April 1 during their senior year and all FAFSA student requirements must be turned in by June 1 of student's senior year. Completing the FAFSA requires the student to be a US citizen or "eligible non-citizen" at the time of completion. Students will be required to repeat this process prior to beginning subsequent fall semesters at TJC. Please note: Parents are not required to be a US citizen or "eligible non-citizen" in order for their student to complete the FAFSA. Students who are not US citizens or "eligible non-citizens" are encouraged to participate in the Promise Program during high school and then pursue other scholarship opportunities at TJC if they are not a US citizen or "eligible non-citizen" at time of entry to TJC.

Students must also complete the TJC general scholarship application no later than April 1 during their senior year. Students will be considered for institutional scholarships based on information submitted on the general scholarship application. Students are required to accept any scholarships funded by the TJC Foundation.

Any federal, state or institutional awards or scholarships granted to the student will be applied to tuition and fees first. The TJC Promise will be the final resource applied and will guarantee no out-of-pocket expenses are incurred by the student for in-district tuition and fees at TJC. Please note: It is not a requirement to receive federal, state or other institutional awards in order to receive the TJC Promise.

Any awards granted to the student by an outside agency, such as local booster clubs, rotary clubs, etc. will not be applied to the student's tuition and fees unless required by the awarding organization (in which case such award will be applied to tuition and fees before the TJC Promise). Such outside agency awards may be utilized by the student to fund other educational expenses such as books, transportation, etc. while attending TJC.

STUDENT INFORMATION (please print)

Full Student Name (First, Middle, Last)

Expected Year of Graduation

Date of Birth

Student ID#

Student Email

Student Cell

Name of High School

Mailing Address

Parent/Legal Guardian Name(s)

Parent/Legal Guardian Cell

Parent/Legal Guardian Email

STUDENT AND PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN SIGNATURES

STUDENT: I have read and understand the requirements of the Promise Program as summarized in this Pledge Form and detailed on the TJC website at www.tjc.edu/promise. I am willing to comply with the Promise Program requirements and understand that if I do not fulfill them, I will be disqualified from the Promise Program. I also understand and agree that my school district, with my parent/guardian's consent, will release my name, contact information, demographic information and Promise Program eligibility information (including, without limitation, GPA, attendance, disciplinary actions, graduation records, testing information and community service hours) to TJC and/or TJC Foundation for the purpose of tracking my progress as a participant in the Promise Program. I agree to reaffirm my commitment to participate in the Promise Program and comply with its requirements at the beginning of each year that I continue to participate in the Promise Program. I understand that signing this Pledge Form is not a commitment to attend TJC but rather an opportunity to earn the TJC Promise Scholarship.

Student Signature

Date

PARENT(S)/LEGAL GUARDIAN(S): I/we represent and warrant that I/we are the parent or legal guardian of the student named herein. I/we have read and understand the requirements of the Promise Program as summarized in this Pledge Form and detailed on the TJC website at www.tjc.edu/promise. I/we understand that my/our student must comply with the Promise Program requirements and understand that if he or she does not fulfill them, he or she will be disqualified from the Promise Program. I/we authorize my/our student to reaffirm his or her commitment to participate in the Promise Program and comply with its requirements at the beginning of each year that my/our student continues to participate in the Promise Program.

I/We also authorize and give my/our consent to the school district to release my/our student's name, contact information, demographic information and student record information related to Promise Program eligibility and participation (including, without limitation, GPA, attendance, disciplinary action, graduation records, testing information and community service hours) to TJC and/or TJC Foundation for the purpose of tracking my/our student's progress in the Promise Program. I/We authorize the school district's release of said information to TJC and/or TJC Foundation for each year that my/our student continues to participate in the Promise Program and understand that I/we have the right to revoke this authorization in writing.

Parent/Legal Guardian Printed Name

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature

Date

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Providing any false information will result in the student's disqualification from the Promise Program. The information provided will be kept confidential to the extent allowed by law and will only be used for the purposes of the Promise Program.