



**Destination Imagination East Texas Region Application for**

# **The Earle Williams and Larry Austin Educational Scholarship**

- Purpose:** To honor the memory and contributions of Earle Williams and Larry Austin to “Creative Problem Solving” and the East Texas DI Region
- Amount:** \$500 each
- Deadline:** All applications must be postmarked by February 12, 2018. Late applications will not be reviewed.
- Eligibility:** A graduating senior from the East Texas Region who has participated in Destination Imagination in the past or currently participates in Destination Imagination. Current year participation is not required in order to be eligible for the award.
- Criteria:** Student must:
- 1) Submit the completed application form by the deadline listed above.
  - 2) Include a high school transcript containing grades for first semester of the current year. Attach a list of current spring semester courses being taken.
  - 3) Include two letters of recommendation. (See Part IV, A & B)
  - 4) Include an essay. (See Part IV, C.)
- Judging:** A committee formed by current East Texas Region board members will read and rank all applications submitted. The decision of the committee is final.
- Award:** The educational scholarship will be awarded at the East Texas Destination Imagination Regional Competition Awards Ceremony, Saturday, February 24, 2018, Poteet High School, Mesquite, Texas. Attendance at the awards ceremony is not required.
- Payment:** The scholarship will be paid to the recipient upon verification of registration at a college or university after high school graduation. The recipient is responsible for submitting the documentation to the East Texas Regional Treasurer.

**Return all applications to:**  
Tiffany Turner  
4600 Blue Mesa Mesquite,  
TX 75150

**You may also email to:**  
TTurner@mesquiteisd.org

**Destination Imagination  
East Texas Region  
The Earle Williams and Larry Austin  
Educational Scholarship**



**I. Applicant's Name and School**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Middle

Address (street) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile/ Home Phone \_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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

School Address (street) \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

**II. DESTINATION IMAGINATION INVOLVEMENT**

A. Number of years participating in DI, including present year. \_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently a Destination Imagination team member? Yes No

B. Have you or your team received a special award at competition? If so, what award and when?

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- C. List the team challenge(s) on which you worked, the year(s), rankings, and if the team(s) continued in competition to affiliate/global tournaments (continue on separate sheet if necessary).

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- D. List areas of volunteer work participated in with Destination Imagination, location(s), and year(s) (i.e. doorkeeper, mentoring younger teams, assisting with Instant Challenge workshops, etc.)

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### III. PERSONAL INFORMATION

- A. Student's school report -- Please send a transcript showing courses taken and grades earned for your high school years (grades 9 through 12 first semester) and current semester courses being taken.

GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Indicate Scale Used \_\_\_\_\_

Current Class Rank \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ students

Test Scores and Dates -- Send an official copy from testing center or school

SAT \_\_\_\_\_

ACT \_\_\_\_\_

- B. Name of college of university you plan to attend or have applied to

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- C. General field of study planned on pursuing (i.e. engineering, art, education, etc.)

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## IV. SUPPORTING INFORMATION

**Note:** All **THREE** of the following items must be returned with this form.

- A. Letter of endorsement by a Destination Imagination team manager (limit to one page, double spaced or hand-printed). Address the following: bright ideas in team challenge, instant challenge skills, problem-solving ability, teamwork, and leadership skills.
- B. Letter of endorsement by high school principal, vice-principal, guidance counselor, or teacher (limit to one page, double spaced or hand-printed). Address the following: creativity skills, problem-solving ability, overall performance and leadership in extracurricular, community and/or work activities.
- C. Essay by student (minimum of two pages with a maximum of four pages, double-spaced). Choose **ONE** of the following topics:
  - i. What significant personal impact has DI has played in your life?
  - ii. How has DI changed you as a person?