

**School District of Tomahawk  
Higher Education Technical Excellence Scholarship (TES)**

It is the responsibility of the school board of each school district to name the 12<sup>th</sup> grade pupil in each high school who has the highest demonstrated level of proficiency in technical education subjects. The Technical Excellence Scholarship (TES) program (2013 Wisconsin Act 60) requires the school board to designate scholars for the program the Higher Education Aids Board (HEAB) by February 25<sup>th</sup> of each year. The number of scholarships each high school is eligible for is based on total student enrollment. The scholarships are only for use at a Wisconsin Technical College within the Wisconsin Technical College System located within the state.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

1. In order to be eligible for nomination to a TES scholarship, a student must exhibit interest in and planning for a technical career.
  - Prior to September 1, 2017 a student's school counselor or principal must affirm that the student has post-secondary plans related to a career in technical education. (This affirmation will be made in the nomination form for TES.)
  - After September 1, 2017 a student must have an academic and career plan leading to a career in technical education required under s. 115.28 (59).
2. A student must complete at least one of the following eight eligibility items:
  - Be a CTE Concentrator
  - Participated in Youth Apprenticeship Program
  - Participated in a Technical High School Diploma program
  - Participated in a Career and Technical Training pathway
  - Participated in Skill Standards Program
  - Complete (or on track to complete) an industry-recognized certification program
  - Participated in a Career and Technical Student Organization (CTSO) in Wisconsin: FBLA, FCCLA, FFA, or SkillsUSA.
  - Complete a technical training program.

**Selection Procedure:**

\*The School District of Tomahawk ranking system consists of ranking eligible students according to a point system reflective of course work and technical education experience followed by high academic standards.

The following are the selection criteria in priority order:

1. Total accumulated points.
  - 1 point for each successfully complete CTE course per semester.
  - 1 point for each successfully completed semester of Employability Skills Program (School-to-Work, Teacher Aide, Youth Apprenticeship).
  - 1 point for each year of successfully participating in a CTSO.
2. Grade Point Average of all CTE courses.
3. Grade Point Average of all courses.
4. ACT score
  - \*The Class of 2015 selection criteria would bypass #4 and go directly to #5. Starting with the Class of 2016, all students will be required to participate in the ACT assessment.
5. Coin flip

**Alternate Designation**

The School District of Tomahawk will designate up to five alternates who meet the above eligibility and selection criteria.