



## **2012 Scholarship Application**

Cat Lift Trucks will award one \$5,000 scholarship to an outstanding student from a public and/or private school within **Harris, Brazoria, Chambers, Fort Bend, Galveston, Liberty, Montgomery and Waller counties** who will attend an accredited college, university or technical school within the state of Texas and pursue a degree in engineering or a business-related field.

### **Application Procedure:**

Applications are provided by Cat Lift Trucks to an appropriate representative at participating public and/or private high schools and at the local Houston Cat<sup>®</sup> lift truck dealer, Adobe Equipment Inc.'s five Houston locations: 7607 Wallisville Rd., 13240 Hempstead Rd. #220, 4803 Cripple Creek Dr., 15534 West Hardy Rd. #155, 5333 Werner St., for dissemination directly to interested students. Applications are also sent directly to interested students upon request and are available online at [www.cat-lift.com](http://www.cat-lift.com).

Applications should be completed in full and must be typed or printed neatly in black or blue ink. Applications downloaded from the website must be filled out and hard copy mailed to:

#### **Cat Lift Trucks Scholarship Fund**

808 Travis Street, Ste. 501  
Houston, TX 77002

Applications submitted electronically or that are incomplete will not be accepted. Applications must be stapled only. All components of the application must arrive together, including official transcripts. If your school requires the official transcript to be sent separately, please contact Amy Noesser at 713-720-2152 or [amy.noesser@edelman.com](mailto:amy.noesser@edelman.com).

**DO NOT PLACE APPLICATIONS IN FOLDERS, BINDERS OR IN PROTECTIVE SHEET COVERS. DO NOT SUBMIT APPLICATIONS COPIED ON TWO SIDES. DO NOT ATTACH RESUMES. FILL OUT REQUESTED INFORMATION IN ALLOTTED SPACE. DO NOT ATTACH PICTURES OR LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION.**

**Deadline: Applications must be postmarked by 5 p.m. on Friday, January 20, 2012. NO EXCEPTIONS!** Applications should be sent to: Cat Lift Trucks Scholarship Fund, 808 Travis Street, Ste 501, Houston, TX 77002. For inquiries, please contact Amy Noesser at 713-720-2152 or [amy.noesser@edelman.com](mailto:amy.noesser@edelman.com).

### **Applicant Eligibility:**

To be eligible to apply for this scholarship, an applicant must meet criteria of citizenship, residency, academic standing and college/university/technical school enrollment plans.

**Citizenship:** Applicant must be a citizen of the United States and/or be born in the United States and a resident of the state of Texas. If place of birth of applicant as indicated on application and/or transcript is other than the United States, appropriate proof of citizenship must be furnished. Students with permanent resident status are not eligible to apply.

**Residency:** The applicant must be a graduating senior of a public or private senior high school in the eligible school districts.

**Academic Standing:** The applicant must be a graduating senior ranked in the upper one-half (1/2) of his/her graduating class at the completion of his/her junior year. Applicant must have a minimum overall unweighted grade point average of a "B" or 80% and have no expulsions from school on his/her permanent record. This ranking is to be verified as part of the official transcript (spring 2011) or by an accompanying certification from an appropriate school official.

**Applicant's scholastic average is to be reported on the application and be verified on the transcript; average must be expressed as a numerical percentage, for example: 3.5/4.0 equals 87.5%.**

**Graduation:** The applicant must graduate at the end of the spring semester immediately following the award of the scholarship or be a mid-term graduate at the conclusion of the semester immediately preceding the awarding of the scholarship.

**Collegiate Acceptance/Enrollment:** The applicant must enroll or plan to enroll in an accredited college, university or technical school within the state of Texas and participate in a curriculum leading to a bachelor's degree or technical certificate in mechanical engineering or a business-related field. The applicant must have applied for admission at the time the scholarship application is submitted. The applicant must indicate choice of major and career planned. No scholarships will be awarded to students who plan to attend schools outside the state of Texas.

**Narrative:** Each applicant must include a typed or handwritten narrative, answering *both* scholarship essay questions detailed on page 7.

**Documentation:** Each application must be accompanied by an official transcript, from the spring semester of 2011, showing academic average in **numerical percentage**, class size and official class ranking of applicant; citizenship status if place of birth is other than the United States; and proof that the applicant has no expulsions on his/her permanent record. The block containing class rank must be filled out by the school registrar where indicated. **Do NOT attach resumes. Fill out the information requested in the spaces allotted.**

***Incomplete applications will not be accepted for consideration. Applications must be stapled only. DO NOT PLACE APPLICATIONS IN FOLDERS, BINDERS OR USE PROTECTIVE SHEET COVERS.***

***Applications will not be returned and will become the property of Cat Lift Trucks.***

### **Evaluation Procedure:**

For the purposes of evaluating applications, a selection committee comprised of Cat Lift Trucks employees will review all properly completed submissions. Incomplete applications will not be

considered. Applicants are evaluated on the basis of academics, leadership and narrative responses.

Each application will be evaluated based on weighted criteria of 25% academics, 25% leadership, 25% community and 25% narrative.

**Finalists will be required to participate in a short phone interview prior to announcing the recipient. The recipient will be expected to attend the Cat Lift Trucks Scholarship Reception to be held at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo® in March 2012 for the presentation of the scholarship awards.**

**Notification of Recipient:**

Recipient of scholarship awards will be notified individually by a Cat Lift Trucks Scholarship Committee representative. Cat Lift Trucks will also notify the counselor's office of the recipient's school.

Notification will be made during the spring semester in which the scholarship is to be awarded. The scholarship will be presented at the Cat Lift Trucks Scholarship Reception held in the company's suite at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo® in March 2012. Recipient is **required** to attend this function.

Applicants may stay informed of updates to the scholarship decision process by becoming a fan of Cat Lift Trucks on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/catliftrucks](http://www.facebook.com/catliftrucks).

**Payment of Stipend:**

It is the responsibility of the scholarship recipient to notify the Cat Lift Trucks Scholarship Committee of the address of the Financial Aid Office at the college, university or technical school to be attended. This notice must be given a minimum of thirty (30) days prior to the beginning of the fall 2012 semester. Payment of the scholarship will be made directly to the Financial Aid Office of the college, university or technical school in which the recipient is enrolled for 12 or more semester hours and is in good academic standing.



**2012 University Scholarship Application  
Application Form**

**Please type or print legibly in blue or black ink**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  Male  Female (*Circle One*)

Preferred Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a United States Citizen?: Yes No

*You must be a U.S Citizen or be born in the United States to apply for a Cat Lift Trucks scholarship. If your place of birth is other than the U.S., proof of citizenship must be furnished with this application.*

**HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION:**

Name of High School: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ County: \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Contact Person at the High School: \_\_\_\_\_

Position of Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Grade Point Average (GPA) through the latest semester completed: \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS BLOCK MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE HIGH SCHOOL REGISTRAR.**

Your Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Number in Graduating Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Ranking: \_\_\_\_\_

High School Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_ On what scale?: \_\_\_\_\_

Numerical Percentage of Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_

*Scholastic average must be expressed as a ratio including the scale on which it is based, such as 3.87/4.0 scale AND as a numerical percentage, such as 98%. A copy of the school's grading system or a letter from a school official explaining the scale or grading system must accompany this application.*

Name of Registrar: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Registrar: \_\_\_\_\_

**UNIVERSITY INFORMATION:**

Have you applied for admission to an accredited Texas college, university or technical school?

Yes No (*Circle One*)

List name(s) of institutions to which you have applied for admission: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been accepted? Yes No (*Circle One*)

*You must have applied to a Texas college/university/technical school for admission in order to apply for this scholarship; you must attend such an institution to be eligible to receive the award. Applications will not be considered for students attending out of state schools.*

Name of college, university or technical school you expect to attend:

Major Field of Study: \_\_\_\_\_

Planned Career: \_\_\_\_\_

**ACTIVITIES, HONORS, AWARDS:**

For the following sections, please use the space provided. Do NOT attach a resume.

High School:

*In the spaces below, list any offices held or awards received in high school. If a repetitive award or recognition, please indicate years achieved. Example: National Honor Society—3, 4.*

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Extracurricular Activities:

*In the space below, please outline other clubs/activities in which you have participated, indicating any other awards, recognition or offices held.*

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Community Activities:

*In the space below, please outline any other activities in which you have participated, indicating any special recognition you might have received, including church/synagogue activities or community service projects.*

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Community Service</b>	<b>Date(s)</b>	<b>Duration</b>
<i>Example: Juvenile Diabetes Foundation</i>	<i>Organized a group of 15 to walk and raise funds; raised \$600</i>	<i>October-November 2009</i>	<i>1 month</i>

**OTHER**

Please tell us how you first learned about this scholarship (select one):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cat <sup>®</sup> Lift Trucks Dealer | <input type="checkbox"/> Scholarship Office                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Friend(s)                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Teacher/Mentor                            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Television                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parent(s)                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Online (please specify website):<br>_____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Radio                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify):<br>_____          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> School Bulletin or Newsletter       |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> School Counselor                    |  |





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**CERTIFICATION BY APPLICANT AND AUTHORIZATION FOR VERIFICATION:**

I hereby certify that the statements contained in this application are true, accurate and complete and that I presently meet all eligibility requirements set forth in this Application. If selected to receive a Cat Lift Trucks scholarship, I understand that I am expected to attend the scholarship presentation in March, to enroll in an accredited college, university or technical school within the State of Texas and to abide by the policies governing the Scholarship Program. **(Note: Any false statement in this Application shall constitute grounds for revocation or withdrawal of any awarded scholarship.)**

I hereby authorize any person, firm, school or entity to release to Cat Lift Trucks, or its authorized representatives, information concerning the subject matter of the statements I have made in this Application, including, but not limited to, information concerning my academic record and status (both high school and college), activities, honors and awards, citizenship and residency. If selected as a recipient, a copy of this authorization is agreed by the undersigned to have the same effect and force as an original. Any person, firm, school or entity releasing matters pursuant to this authorization is hereby absolved from any liability.

The undersigned GRANTS PERMISSION to be PHOTOGRAPHED or INTERVIEWED in connection with this application or any potential award of a Cat Lift Trucks scholarship. The undersigned understands that any such photograph or interview may be used by Cat Lift Trucks, or their authorized representatives in television, film, visual, graphic, electronic, printed or other media. The undersigned agrees to RELEASE, INDEMNIFY and HOLD HARMLESS Cat Lift Trucks with respect to any and all Claims, including those related to the usage of such photographs or interviews by Cat Lift Trucks or any other media.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Required)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Required if applicant is under 18 years of age)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_