



AMERICAN DESTINATIONS, INC.
**WHAT WILL BE YOUR NEXT
AMERICAN DESTINATION?**

Dear Group Leader,

American Destinations, Inc. (ADI) and Special Tee's (ADI's subsidiary screen printing company) have created a scholarship opportunity as a means of showing our appreciation to the schools and other various groups that utilize our services. This scholarship program is our way of reciprocating the support that hundreds of communities have given us for more than twenty five years. Our purpose is to provide an opportunity for students who have traveled on an ADI educational tour (overnight stay required) to receive assistance to further their post-secondary education.

Any student is eligible to apply his/her senior year if he/she has traveled on an ADI overnight tour as an elementary, middle or high school student. The more a student travels with American Destinations, Inc., the more extra credit points he/she will earn in the application evaluation process. Scholarships are only available to those graduating seniors who have traveled with ADI. These scholarships are based on merit. This is not a drawing.

Every time an overnight educational tour is completed with ADI, you (the Group Leader) will receive certificates to pass on to your students for extra credit points on their scholarship application. Each certificate is worth two extra credit points. Please keep in mind, the more students travel, the greater their advantage when applying. Please remind students/parents to keep these certificates in a safe place. A copy of all certificates is to be included with the scholarship application.

Sincerely,
The Management & Staff of American Destinations, Inc. and Special Tee's

American Destinations, Inc.
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*Tell me, and I will forget. Show me, and I will remember.
Involve me, and I will understand forever.*

- Confucius

BACKGROUND: The American Destinations, Inc. (ADI) and Special Tee's Scholarship Program was created in 2001 by Curtis Edwards, President/CEO, along with the staff and management of both companies, as a means of showing our appreciation to the schools and communities that use our services to assist them in planning their overnight educational tours. The scholarship program is our way of reciprocating the support that hundreds of communities have given to us for more than twenty-five years.

PURPOSE: Our purpose is to provide an opportunity for students who have traveled on an ADI overnight educational tour to receive money to further their post-secondary education. Any student is eligible to apply in their senior year if they have traveled on an ADI overnight tour as an elementary, middle or high school student. The more students travel with ADI, the more extra points they will earn in the application evaluation process.

SELECTION COMMITTEE: The committee is comprised of area educators, community leaders and former educators who are not affiliated with American Destinations, Inc. or Special Tee's.

GUIDELINES: The committee has established the following guidelines:

1. Applicants must have met the graduation requirements of their accredited high school.
2. Applicants must be a citizen of the United States.
3. Applicants must have a minimum secondary grade point average of 2.0.
4. Applicants must complete the application in its entirety (using N/A in any section that is not applicable).
5. All portions of the application and essay are to be typed or printed in black or blue ink.
6. Scholarship applications are rated on a point basis and monetary awards can range from \$250—\$1,000.

ELIGIBILITY: Any graduating senior who has ever traveled (at any grade level in the past) with American Destinations, Inc. on a overnight, educational tour is eligible to apply.

A complete application consists of the following:

1. Typed or handwritten (blue or black ink) application, including all signatures where specified.
2. A sealed, official high school transcript.
3. A copy of your completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA).
4. Two letters of reference—one personal character reference from a non-family member and one letter of recommendation from a teacher (may be submitted in a sealed envelope, if preferred).
5. A recent photo (may be used for promotional purposes).

SUBMISSION: Applications must be postmarked on or before *May 31, 2008 and mailed to:
ADI/Special Tee's Scholarship Program
P.O. Box 2228
Clarksburg, WV 26302-2228

*Deadline for TRIO Program students participating in a summer program will be extended to August 31, 2008. Students must provide proof of participation from program director.

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Today's Date: _____

1. Applicant's Name: _____

2. Home Address: _____

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

3. Home Phone: ____ (____) _____

4. Social Security Number: _____

5. Mother's/Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Home Phone: (____) _____ Work Phone: (____) _____

Occupation: (____) _____ Work Phone: (____) _____

Place of Employment: _____

6. Father's/Guardian's Name: _____

Address: _____

(City) (State) (Zip Code)

Home Phone: (____) _____ Work Phone: (____) _____

Occupation: _____

Place of Employment: _____

7. List all members in your household:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Relationship</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>School/Occupation</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

8. High School(s) Attended/Location/Dates Attended: _____

9. Middle School(s) / Junior High(s) Attended / Location / Dates of Attendance: _____

10. Elementary School(s) Attended / Location / Dates of Attendance: _____



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11. Expected high school graduation date _____ Number of students in class _____
 Rank in class _____ High School GPA _____ ACT score _____
 SAT score _____ National Merit Qualifying Scores _____ Other _____

12. List membership and participation in school organizations, activities and clubs. Specify any positions of leadership or committees. Please do not abbreviate club or organization names (Attach a separate sheet.)

13. List participation in all athletics from 6th grade through the present. Specify any awards or special achievements. (Attach a separate sheet.)

14. List membership and participation in church, civic or community activities. List any positions of leadership. Please do not abbreviate organization names. (Attach a separate sheet.)

15. List any honors or special recognition not already covered:

16. Work Experience: (Attach a separate sheet if necessary.)

<u>Employer</u>	<u>Phone #</u>	<u>Date of Employment</u>	<u>Job Responsibilities</u>
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17. List other scholarships, grants and loans you are seeking or have been awarded:

Source	Amount Sought / Received	Granted() Pending ()
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18. Circle your family's annual income range as reported to the IRS:

Under \$10,000	\$10,000-\$14,999	\$15,000-\$24,000
\$25,000-\$34,999	\$35,000-\$44,999	over \$45,000

19. State post-secondary college, university business college or vocational training school for which the scholarship is requested and the anticipated area of study:

School	City / State	Area of Study
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Accredited: yes () no () Accepted: yes () pending ()

Housing arrangements: on campus () commute ()

20. ESSAY—Please describe in proper essay form, using between 200-300 words, how your school sponsored, educational tour(s) have impacted your life and the decisions you are making as a high school senior. Draw upon your tour experience to destinations within North America. (Attach a separate sheet.)
21. List all school tours in which you have participated that were conducted by American Destinations, Inc.

<u>Destination</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>School Name</u>	<u>Group Leader's Name</u>

NOTE: Please be sure to provide all requested information. If a question is not applicable to your situation, indicate so by showing: N/A Please state any unusual family or personal circumstances you feel warrant the attention of the selection committee. Remember to include a copy of all tour certificates with your application.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

Signature of Applicant Date

Signature of Parent / Guardian Date



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