

WASDA Scholarship Fund

Dear Board of Trustees and Selection Committee:

My name is Austin Taylor and I want to first thank the WASDA Board of Trustees for selecting me to be one of the recipients of this year's WASDA Scholarship. I am honored to receive this scholarship and will work very hard to validate your support of my academic career.

I am the oldest son of Scott and Tonya Taylor. My father works as the Purchasing Manager for Smith Blair, Inc. in Texarkana, Arkansas. My mother is a school teacher. My sister, Alexandria, attends Oklahoma State University and I have a younger brother, Grayson, who is going into the seventh grade.

In high school I was both President of the student body and Class President. I was also a varsity athlete and was named All District Defensive MVP in soccer my senior year. Additionally, I was director of our school news program.

I will be attending Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas in the fall where I will pursue a Mechanical Engineering degree in the Dwight Look College of Engineering. I am not yet sure how I will utilize my degree upon graduation but I am very interested in the design and construction of large scale commercial projects. No matter where I end up, I am definitely going to make sure that whatever project I am on has a safe and steady supply of water in the design!

Thank you again for awarding me this scholarship so that I can pursue my dreams of higher education!

Austin Taylor