

THE LORENE ROBY ROGERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Texas Educational Support Staff Association after her death December 31, 1969 established a memorial fund to Mrs. Lorene Roby Rogers, as contributions were received in her memory by our organization. The general assembly of our state association voted in May 1970 to establish a permanent fund to be named the Lorene Roby Rogers Memorial Scholarship Fund for an educational secretary to continue her education.

Lorene was well known to educational secretaries and to administrators throughout Texas and the nation, as she organized local associations, served as president of the Texas Educational Support Staff Association, authored several articles pertaining to the work of the educational secretary, and was in demand as a speaker at workshops, in-service training, and seminars.

After working in the educational secretarial field and in the school public relations field, Lorene went to Texas A & M University to continue her education and to teach. She helped develop guidelines for the kindergarten endorsement for the Texas Education Agency, wrote the Texas A & M programs of studies and prepared the application for the first approved kindergarten program in Texas. She did extensive work in early childhood education. Lorene then went to Texas Woman's University to continue her doctoral studies and to teach in that university.

Lorene was an example of continuous professional growth by her study, research, and service to educational conferences and professional associations. It is the desire of our state association to perpetuate Lorene's memory through this scholarship fund by helping develop another educational secretary who may serve the field of education with similar zeal and conviction.

Local associations shall be encouraged to contribute to, and seek worthy applicants for, the fund. Individuals, local associations, other professional groups or interested persons are invited to participate in this splendid cause. Contributions will be published in *The TESA Connection*, official publication of the Texas Educational Support Staff Association.

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE OF THE FUND

To commemorate the memory of LORENE ROBY ROGERS, a fund known as "The LORENE ROBY ROGERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP" has been established in the Texas Educational Support Staff Association. The following regulations shall apply to the Scholarship:

Requests are made to the scholarship committee for review. This committee will present those applications deemed qualified for receipt of scholarships to the Executive Board at the Spring Board meeting. The scholarships shall be made for one year only (August 1 through July 31 of the coming fiscal year), but the applicant may reapply the following year if warranted and/or desired, when approved by the Executive Board. The amount of such scholarship shall be left to the discretion of the board, but shall not exceed \$400 in any fiscal year.

All scholarships are to cover directly administered school expenses only. Checks will be issued to the recipient upon presentation of paid receipts of school-administered expenses. The scholarship shall be limited to \$400 for any individual.

If funds are available, several scholarships at a time may be made. In case of a surplus, such surplus shall be deposited in a federally insured account, with the understanding that funds may be withdrawn from said account at the discretion of the Executive Board. The total amount of the scholarship to be used annually is not to exceed 50 percent of funds available as of March 1 of each fiscal year.

The applicant must be an active TESA member, of good character, seeking to further formal education either by full-time attendance at a college or business college or by part-time attendance while continuing work as an educational paraprofessional. An applicant must secure and submit to the committee all available information including background, financial need, type of courses for which funds are needed, and other pertinent facts. The applicant must be a member of TESA at the time of the original application.

After a recipient has completed the course of study, a contribution to the perpetuation of the fund is encouraged but is in no way to be construed to be an obligation. It shall be the duty of the chairman of the Scholarship Committee to write to recipients informing them of this policy.