

THE J.O. "TIP" COLLEY AWARD
Presented by
The Exchange Club of Troy & the J. O. Colley Family

On Monday, May 18, 2026, the 35th annual J.O. "Tip" Colley Awards Banquet will take place at 6:30 p.m. at the Troy Sportsplex. Male and female winners and runners-up will be named and all nominees will be recognized. Winners will receive a plaque and a cash award of \$1,500 while runners-up will receive a plaque and \$500 cash. The Tip Colley Award recognizes Christian Scholar Athletes based on academic achievement, sports involvement, civic and Christian service.

CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBILITY

ALL APPLICANTS:

1. Must be residents of Pike County and a senior at any high school in Pike County.
2. Must have scored a minimum of 18 on the ACT, or SAT equivalent, and attained a 3.0 GPA (as of submission date) during the year of application.
3. Must have participated in at least one of the high school sports listed below during the year of application:
 1. Baseball
 2. Football
 3. Softball
 4. Basketball
 5. Tennis
 6. Cheerleading
 7. Volleyball
 8. Golf
 9. Soccer
 10. Track/Cross Country
 11. Other
4. Must be member of a church and currently involved in its activities.
5. Must be planning to attend a university, college, or junior college for post-secondary education.
6. Must agree to cooperate with Exchange Club representatives throughout the awards process.
7. Application **must be received by April 27, 2026.**

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING

Completed application with at least 2 recommendation letters (one of which must be from your religious leader), a copy of your high school transcript, and a senior portrait photo should be turned in by April 27, 2026. You may also include a current resume if you like. If any item is missing from the packet, the packet will have to be disqualified from review. **TURN IN APPLICATION TO YOUR SCHOOL COUNSELOR BEFORE THE DEADLINE.**

Parents or legal guardians may attend the banquet at no charge. Please provide the names of those attending with submission of the application.

Information desired under the following categories :

- a. **Sports:** Include all sports you have played, the number of years and awards won.
- b. **Academic Honors:** Include membership in honor societies, academic awards, recognitions, etc.
- c. **Campus Activities:** Include all civic organizations or activities in which you are involved.
- d. **Church Activities:** Include all religious activities in which you participate.
- e. **Community Involvement:** Include community involvement and volunteer service
- f. **Letters of Recommendation:** Recommendation letters should be completed and returned in a sealed envelope to be sent with your application. *One must be from your religious leader (minister or youth leader).*

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APPLICATION

Date of Application: _____ **GPA:** _____

SAT/ACT: _____ **Sex:** _____

High School: _____

Name: _____ **Date of Birth:** _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ **Parents:** _____

Church You Attend: _____

University, College, or Junior College you plan to attend:

ACTIVITIES
(ATTACH ADDITIONAL SHEETS AS NEEDED)

Sports: See attached checklist

Campus Activities: See attached checklist

Academic Honors: _____

Church Activities: _____

Applicant's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

SENIOR YEAR ACTIVITIES

Class Offices:

_____ Class Officer (Identify Office) _____
_____ SGA Officer (Identify Office) _____
_____ SGA Representative

Varsity Sports:

_____ Football
_____ Volleyball
_____ Cheerleading
_____ Cross-Country
_____ Basketball
_____ Baseball
_____ Softball
_____ Golf
_____ Track
_____ Tennis
_____ Other
_____ Special Honors

Clubs:

_____ National Honor Society (Identify Office) _____
_____ Mu Alpha Theta (Identify Office) _____
_____ Interact (Identify Office) _____
_____ FFA (Identify Office) _____
_____ FBLA (Identify Office) _____
_____ FHA (Identify Office) _____
_____ Art Guild (Identify Office) _____
_____ SPQR (Identify Office) _____
_____ French Club (Identify Office) _____
_____ Spanish Club (Identify Office) _____
_____ Key Club (Identify Office) _____
_____ Library Aide
_____ HOSA (Identify Office) _____
_____ VICA (Identify Office) _____
_____ Other: _____ (Identify Office) _____
_____ Other: _____ (Identify Office) _____

Use Additional Sheets As Needed

JUNIOR YEAR ACTIVITIES

Class Offices:

_____ Class Officer (Identify Office) _____
_____ SGA Officer (Identify Office) _____
_____ SGA Representative

Varsity Sports:

_____ Football
_____ Volleyball
_____ Cheerleading
_____ Cross-Country
_____ Basketball
_____ Baseball
_____ Softball
_____ Golf
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_____ VICA (Identify Office) _____
_____ Other: _____ (Identify Office) _____
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RESERVATION FORM

J.O. "Tip" Colley Memorial Scholarship Awards Banquet

NOMINEE: _____

Names of Attendees: _____

Nominees and their parents/guardians are guests of the Troy Exchange Club. Any others that wish to attend are welcome but will need to pay \$15.00 at the door for the cost of their meal. Please list all family and friends that plan to attend so that we can account for the food. Attendees can pay at the door or send payment with this reservation form. Please make your check payable to Troy Exchange Club. Your paid reservation will be recorded at the check-in table at the door.

Thank you very much for your support.

Troy Exchange Club