

Thank you for considering the role of Mentor for a student in the 2025 TVBA Youth Scholarship Program!

- The following are guidelines and specific tasks required of a TVBA Youth Scholarship Program Mentor.
- Please ask your scholarship recipient to sign up for TVBA email meeting reminders at info@tvbees.org
- The application guidelines may change. Any updates will be provided to you for your consideration.

General:

- Be available for questions, comments and concerns from your student.
- Help your student learn how to keep bees and develop beekeeping skills through hands-on time in the hive together.
- Provide encouragement and constructive feedback.
- Monthly: check their progress on their record book/presentation.

During the Year:

- In February or March oversea your student(s) as they construct their hive equipment.
- Make sure their protective gear fits well throughout the year, and will keep students free from bee stings.
- Help students mix sugar-syrup for feeding the bees.
- In April help students install their bees from a nucleus hive into the hive body they built.
- A week or 10 days after the bees are installed check the hive together to make sure all is well with the bees.
- In May, check the hive with the student to evaluate honey flow and add supers when needed.
- Assist with extracting honey in late June or July.
- Make sure students provide a honey sample for the TVBA Annual Honey Tasting (August or September).
- Guide your student in their research presentation for the September meeting.
- Be available to go with your student to serve at the Texas State Fair Honey Booth.
- Help students with Fall hive feeding and Winter hive preparation.
- Help students prepare a final report on PowerPoint to present at the November 2025 TVBA monthly meeting. This will include photos and a summary of their progress in beekeeping and lessons learned.
- Encourage others to apply for the 2025 Scholarship Program.

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Trinity Valley Beekeepers Association (TVBA) Mentor Application. Please submit by November 1, 2025.

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