



Mirabeau B. Lamar Award

Mirabeau B. Lamar was born in 1798 in Georgia and was raised there on his father's farm. An insatiable reader, he was largely self-educated and became very proficient in writing, history, liberal arts, sciences, math, and art. It was here that Lamar joined the Masonic Lodge and developed his strong stance for human liberty and public education. After a brief political career, he moved to Texas in 1835 just as the Texas Revolution was starting. He served as a Colonel in the Cavalry at the Battle of San Jacinto and was instrumental in this final battle for Texas Independence. In 1838, he was inaugurated as the second president of Texas and in his very first address to the Texas Congress, President Lamar called for and had approved an appropriation of land in every Texas county to support public schools and 50 leagues of land that would eventually become the University of Texas and Texas A&M University. For this, he became known as "The Father of Public Education in Texas".

In honor of his distinguished contributions to the public education system of Texas, the Mirabeau B. Lamar Award is presented to a Graduating Senior from the College Station Independent School District by Sul Ross Masonic Lodge #1300 of Ancient Free & Accepted Masons, College Station, Texas.

A printed certificate, medal and check for no less than \$1000.00 will be presented to the winner.

The successful individual should be a person of outstanding integrity and possess a focus and determination to overcome adversity in their pursuit of education. This person should be a Graduating Senior in the College Station Independent School District.

Please see attached form for official application/nomination purposes.

Deadline for submitting applications is **4:00 p.m. on April 29, 2022.**

Submit to Laurie Rath, Scholarship Coordinator, College View High School.

