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March 4, 2025

Shivam Gupta
Friendswood High School
700 Greenbriar Dr
Friendswood, TX 77546

Dear Shivam,

Congratulations on your achievements in the Texas Academic Decathlon! We at the state office are very proud of your achievements and know that you will accomplish all your future goals.

Enclosed are two forms for you to complete and return to our office as soon as possible. A letter addressed to the Financial Aid Officer is also enclosed. Please take the letter, the enrollment verification release form, and the student enrollment verification form to the Financial Aid Office of the college/university you will be attending.

We require verification of enrollment as a full-time student at the beginning of each semester. It is your responsibility to request the VOE each semester. (The school registrar may require your signature each semester before releasing your enrollment status). Your total scholarship for 2025 is **\$3250 (Total Academic Decathlon Scholarships Earned: \$4500)**. Payments will be made each semester in \$1,000 increments (unless your scholarship requires a different payment system) until the scholarship has been paid in full. You are allowed five years to receive this scholarship award; time will begin the first full semester after your graduation from high school. The payment of the scholarship is contingent upon available funding.

Congratulations once again, and we wish you continued success. If you have any questions regarding your scholarship, please contact our office.

Sincerely,

Rick Hopkins
Executive Director



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Date: March 4, 2025

To: College/University Financial Aid Officer

From: Rick Hopkins, Executive Director
Texas Academic Decathlon

RE: Shivam Gupta

Congratulations on attracting an outstanding scholar such as Shivam Gupta to your institution. This letter is to inform you that Shivam is the recipient of scholarships totaling \$3250 won at the 2025 Texas Academic Decathlon State Meet (**Total Academic Decathlon Scholarships Earned: \$4500**). The Texas Academic Decathlon provides the scholarship award money.

The scholarship will be paid by semester in \$1,000 increments until all winnings have been paid. (Please note that some scholarship amounts require case sensitive payment schedules.) Verification of enrollment as a full-time student will be required at the beginning of each semester. We require that you send us a statement or letter with the verification information for the first semester: Payment will be made as soon as we receive that statement. Upon our receipt of Shivam's full-time Verification of Full-time Enrollment for each semester enrolled thereafter, payment of scholarship money for that semester will be sent.

By accepting the scholarship funds for your student, you agree to return any unused portion should the student withdraw during the covered semester. No portion of this scholarship is to be refunded to the student. Additionally, you agree to provide proof (college transcript) the student completed each semester.

If you have any questions regarding this arrangement, please contact our office.