The goals for the Tzu Chi Collegiate Association (Tzu Ching) are to promote morals, strengthen character, instill a spirit of "great mercy even to strangers and great compassion for all," exemplify humility, respect and elegance in character, and become an example for all young people of the community.

The group works to improve campus environments everywhere by holding various school activities and spreading information regarding Tzu Chi. Through Tzu Chi activities, more and more students experience the Great Love of Tzu Chi endeavors and, in turn, themselves spread the same vitality throughout their schools. The Collegiate Association also promotes, develops and executes the four major Tzu Chi missions: charity, medicine, education and culture.