



Preparing Career Ready Graduates

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FRESNO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Purpose

The FUSD Scholarship Fund provides employees an opportunity to support Fresno Unified students who might not otherwise have the financial means to achieve their education goals beyond high school. Fresno Unified School District has a strong community of employees who care deeply for our students and this is one more way we can support their continued success, while investing in our community. Together, we will put money for college or trade/technical education into the hands of some of our most deserving students in the name of Fresno Unified employees.

The Support

All Fresno Unified employees will be invited to contribute to the Fund either through regular payroll deduction, or with a one-time donation. In addition, the Fund will be supported by community and business donations.

The Selection Criteria

- Graduating high school senior from one of FUSD's seven comprehensive high schools, and Cambridge, Design Science, DeWolf, Duncan, Patino, Phoenix, or J.E. Young
- Plans to attend a community college, 4-year university/college, or trade/technical school
- Submit current transcript with current 10-12 augmented GPA, two letters of recommendation and completed typed application, including information on school and community involvement, career aspirations, and financial need
- Earn a minimum cumulative 2.5 GPA

The Process

A selection committee will evaluate the applications using a scoring rubric that reflects the selection criteria. Every effort will be made to ensure a balanced distribution throughout all high schools.

The Award

For 2018/19, a minimum of \$600 per scholarship will be awarded. This may increase upon availability of funds. Students must show proof of enrollment at a community college, 4-year university/college, or trade/technical school within 18 months of high school graduation in order to claim their award.

The Governance

The FUSD Scholarship Fund will be administered in accordance with state law and Fresno Unified's agreement with the Central Valley Community Foundation, the community organization responsible for holding, managing, investing, and disbursing funds provided for scholarships. A district advisory committee will oversee the scholarship fund to ensure recipients meet the established selection criteria.

The Timeline

Applications available at high schools and online	February 1, 2019
Application deadline	March 15, 2019
Selection Committee Review/Score Applications	March - April, 2019
Recipients notified, and scholarships presented	May, 2019

FRESNO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP FUND 2018-2019 APPLICATION

STUDENT INFORMATION

Name:		Current High School:	
Date of Birth:	Phone:	Cell phone:	
Current address:			
City:	State:	ZIP Code:	
Male	Female	Non-Binary	Cumulative GPA:
		Email:	
Higher Education Institution of Choice:			
Course of Study/Major of Choice:			
Career Goal:			

SUCCESSFUL APPLICATIONS INCLUDE A CURRENT TRANSCRIPT WITH CURRENT 10-12 AUGMENTED GPA, A TYPED COMPLETED APPLICATION, TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION, AND AN ESSAY THAT DESCRIBES THE APPLICANTS NEED FOR THE SCHOLARSHIP AND ANY SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES AND MOTIVATION/INSPIRATION FOR THEIR CHOSEN CAREER GOAL.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Describe any **special skills, abilities, or hobbies**:

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

(including sports, clubs, student government, etc.)

Activity	Participation Dates	Offices Held	Special Awards

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

(including community events, volunteer activities, cultural events, outreach programs, etc.)

Name of Organization or Event	Participation Dates	Total Hours

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

(include all employment you have held in the past three years)

Job or Kind of Work	Employer	Dates of Employment	Hours Per Week

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HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND AWARDS

Name of Honor/Scholarship/Award	Date Received

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES (PLEASE LIST HERE AND DESCRIBE IN YOUR ESSAY)

Are there any **special circumstances** that affect your ability to afford college? Please be specific.

MOTIVATION/INSPIRATION FOR CAREER GOAL (PLEASE LIST HERE AND DESCRIBE IN YOUR ESSAY)

Please describe an **event or experience** that has impacted your decision about your career goal.

SIGNATURE

To the best of my knowledge, all the information provided is true and correct.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

- ❖ Completed typed application
- ❖ Two letters of recommendation
- ❖ Copy of current transcript
- ❖ Typed essay that describes applicant's need, circumstances, motivations, inspiration for career goal

Please return the completed application, letters of recommendation, and transcript **no later than Friday, March 15, 2019**. Applications must be post-marked March 15, 2019 to be eligible for consideration.

Mail or hand-deliver to:
 FUSD Scholarship Fund
 College & Career Readiness Department
 4120 North First Street
 Fresno, CA 93726

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