

Por La Gente Association Hispanic Education Scholarships



In an effort to promote educational opportunities to Hispanic youth in the Racine County, the Por La Gente Association has established the Hispanic Athletic Scholarship and the Hispanic Academic/Community Scholarship to be awarded to area high school students. To qualify, applicants must: (1) be of Hispanic descent, (2) be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident, (3) be in their final year of high school and (4) attend a post secondary institution on a full-time basis beginning the ensuing fall semester. Both scholarships are \$2000 scholarships.

HISPANIC ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP: This scholarship is based on athletic achievement and participation in interscholastic sports competition. Applicants should demonstrate exceptional athletic ability, team leadership and/or good sportsmanship in their sports involvement.

HISPANIC ACADEMIC/COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP: This scholarship is based on (1) academic achievement and/or (2) extracurricular or community involvement. Applicants should demonstrate exceptional academic ability and/or participation in school activities as well as community functions.

FINANCIAL NEED AND ECONOMIC BACKGROUND WILL ALSO BE CONSIDERED IN SELECTION OF BOTH SCHOLARSHIPS.

TO APPLY: Students must submit the following items **by MARCH 16, 2012.**

1. A completed application form;
2. A copy of your high school transcripts updated to include first semester of your senior year;
3. A letter of recommendation from a coach, high school counselor or teacher;
4. A letter of recommendation from someone outside of education that can attest to your qualifications;
5. A typed essay giving a biographical sketch of you, career goals and an explanation of any financial needs. The typed essay should address the benefits of your athletic experience or your community involvement/academic achievement but not to exceed 2 pages.

THE COMMITTEE MAY REQUEST A PERSONAL INTERVIEW OF THE FINALISTS. CANDIDATES WILL BE NOTIFIED OF THE DATE OF THE INTERVIEWS.

SEND ALL THE REQUESTED INFORMATION TO:

Por La Gente Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 085454,
Racine, WI 53408

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: Phyllis Castro at (414) 639-1431 or email her at phyllis.castro@sbcglobal.net.

New for 2012.

Interested in doubling your scholarship? Apply for the AXA Foundation Community Scholarship and receive additional funding. Click on the link below to apply.

<http://www.axa-equitable.com/axa-foundation/community-scholarships.html>

Deadline for AXA Scholarship: February 1, 2012

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APPLICATION FORM

Student Name: _____

Parent's Name: _____

Address: _____ E-Mail: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

Which scholarship are you applying for? Athletic Academic Both

What is your Hispanic Background? Mexican Puerto Rican Cuban
 Other Hispanic (please explain) _____

What is the intended major you plan to pursue? _____

Please list the colleges that you plan to attend in the fall:

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| 1) _____ | 2) _____ |
| 3) _____ | 4) _____ |
| 5) _____ | 6) _____ |

IN ORDER TO DETERMINE FINANCIAL NEED, PLEASE ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:

What is the size for your family household? _____

What is the annual family income? _____



ALL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE:

- **A copy of your high school transcript**
- **Two letters of recommendation**
- **Typed essay (not to exceed two pages)**

Applicant Certification. The information provided on this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand that my application, transcripts, and other requested information will be reviewed by members of the PLG Selection Committee, which consists of members of the Por La Gente Association and invited community guest interviewers. I also acknowledge that if I am selected and do not enroll in college, the Por La Gente Association has the right to cancel my scholarship and that I will return the award.

Student Signature Date

Parent/Guardian Signature Date

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