



WESTERN ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY PERSONNEL

Central California Chapter 2017- 2018 Scholarship Application

The Western Association of Educational Opportunity Personnel (WESTOP) Central California Chapter (CenCal) Scholarship Fund assists TRiO students complete their educational goals. The scholarships are available on a competitive basis to senior high school students, community college students and undergraduate four-year college students who are nominated by a paid WESTOP CenCal member.

Postmark Deadline: Friday, December 15, 2017

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- Individual must be a current and active participant of a CenCal Chapter – TRiO program.
- Nominated by a current paid WESTOP-CenCal member.
- High school and current college students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of at least 2.80 or above.
- High school students will need to provide proof of college enrollment for Fall 2018.
- College student must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.50
- College students will need to provide proof of enrollment for Spring 2018.
- Adult college bound students will need to provide proof of college enrollment for Fall 2018.
- Adult college bound students must provide proof of having received a diploma with GPA of at least 2.50 or above, a GED, be in process of obtaining one prior to semester starting or if have prior college experience, having obtained a minimum cumulative GPA of at least 2.50 in course work.

NOMINATOR INFORMATION:

- You must be a current paid member of the WESTOP-CenCal Chapter to make a nomination.
- You cannot submit a Recommendation Form/Letter on behalf of that student.
- Verify that student is a current and active participant of a TRiO CenCal Program.
- If the individual is a minor, must have a parent or guardian sign all necessary forms.
- Review with individual the eligibility criteria and check list provided to ensure all necessary forms and required documents are submitted.
- No limit to the number of students each program can nominate for the WESTOP-CenCal Scholarship.

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:

- **Mail:** Mail the completed scholarship application and attach required documents in one packet (see checklist on page 6) to the address listed below, or
- **Hand Deliver:** Give your completed scholarship application and attach required documents (see checklist on page 6) in one packet to your Nominator to hand-deliver to the Scholarship Committee Chair on or before Friday, December 15, 2017.
- Mailing Address:

Hartnell Community College
Transfer and Career Center
ATTN: Norma Isela Cuevas
411 Central Ave.
Salinas, CA 93901

***Incomplete, faxed or emailed applications will not be accepted.**



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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name:

Last

First

M.I.

Address:

Street

City

State

Zip

Phone: () -

Gender: Female Male

Birth date:

Email:

Residency Status: U.S. Citizen Permanent Resident Other

Ethnicity or National Ancestry (check all those that apply):

African American, Black

Alaskan Native

American Indian

Asian, Asian American

Bi-racial

Filipina/o

Latina/o

Mexican, Mexican-American, Chicana/o

Pacific Islander

White/Caucasian

Decline to State

Do you have a physical or learning disability? Yes No If yes, please state:

Estimated Family Income for the year 2016:

Household size:

EDUCATIONAL HISTORY

Current High School/College:

Expected Graduation Date:

School Address:

Street

City

State

Zip

Name of TRIO Program: EOC McNair Educational Talent Search

Student Support Services SSSD SSSV Upward Bound Math & Science Upward Bound

Other: _____

TRiO Program Participation Dates: Start date: End date:

Name of College/University you plan to attend in the Spring/Fall of 2018:



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ACCOMPLISHMENTS & ACTIVITIES

Please attach additional pages to this form if needed

Please list any recent academic honors, awards, certificates or other achievements:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

Please list any of your recent and/or current extracurricular activities:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.

ESSAY QUESTION

Instructions: You must submit an essay with your scholarship application packet. Select one of the following questions to answer and answer all parts of the question. Follow the guidelines on the Checklist (page 6) to complete the essay.

1) As a TRiO participant, what program activities were the most memorable and beneficial to you? Identify the TRiO Program staff who has had an impact on your success and how or what did that person do to make an impact? What will you take with you from your involvement with TRiO? How will it make a difference to you?

2) Explain what have been the struggles or barriers you have had to overcome to reach this point in your life. How did you manage to overcome them? What have you learned after having overcome those struggles? What, if any impact did those struggles have on your chosen educational and professional goals for the future?

REQUIRED SIGNATURES

Student Name (please print): _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

**If student is under 18 years old, a parent signature is required for permission to release/upload a picture of the student on the WESTOP-CenCal Chapter Website for recognition.*

Parent/Guardian's: (please print): _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Nominator Name (please print): _____

Nominator Signature: _____ Date: _____

Name of TRiO Program: _____ Institution or Agency: _____

Nominator's Contact Number: () _____



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RECOMENDATION FORM #1

NAME OF STUDENT: _____ SCHOOL: _____

To the Student:

Complete the above information. A teacher, high school counselor, community member or any individual who can professionally assess your aptitude and personal qualities must complete the Recommendation Form.

Recommendation Forms will not be accepted from your WESTOP-CenCal Nominator

To The Recommender:

The above named applicant is applying for a scholarship with the Western Association of Educational Opportunity Personnel (WESTOP) Central California Chapter. The Scholarship Committee finds a candid and thorough evaluation invaluable in the selection process. Please include any information on the applicant that you feel is pertinent. Please describe the qualities and experiences you believe make this applicant a deserving candidate for the Central California Chapter WESTOP Scholarship. Please return this Recommendation Form in a sealed envelope with your signature across the seal to the student.

An official letter of recommendation must be attached to this form in a sealed envelope.

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MOTIVATION					
INITIATIVE/ INDEPENDENCE					
SELF-DISCIPLINE					
STRENGTH OF CHARACTER					
LEADERSHIP					
CREATIVITY					
OVERALL POTENTIAL					

Name: _____ Position: _____ Phone #: _____

Name of Program/Business: _____ Date: _____

Evaluator's Signature: _____



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RECOMENDATION FORM #2

NAME OF STUDENT: _____ SCHOOL: _____

To the Student:

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CHECKLIST

A complete Scholarship Application Packet should include the following:

- Signed Scholarship Application**
 - Signed by student and nominator (parent, if applicable)
- Two (2) completed and signed Recommendation Forms and Letters**
 - Each in sealed envelopes.
 - Letter of Recommendation must be included with each Recommendation Form.
- Essay Question Response – 500 words minimum.**
 - Must follow format – Typed, Double Spaced, Font Size - 12, Times New Roman
 - Must address all parts of the essay prompt.
- Transcript (Official or unofficial)**
 - *High School Student or Current College Student:* One (1) Transcript with a GPA 2.50 or above.
 - *Adult College Bound Student* (Currently attending an Adult High School Diploma Program): One (1) Transcript with a GPA 2.50 or above and you will be obtaining your diploma before the start of the semester.
 - *Currently attending a GED Program:* Letter from institution, stating you need one test to earn GED, and completed before the start of the semester.
 - *A High School Graduate:* One (1) High School Transcript with a GPA 2.50 and indicating you obtained your diploma, or Copy of your diploma and last report card with a GPA of 2.50, or a Copy of your GED Certificate, or your GED Scores indicating you obtained a GED from the Educational Institution you tested with.
 - *A former college student or graduate student:* One (1) Transcript with a GPA 2.50 or above.
- Scholarship applications are to be mailed in one packet:**

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ATTN: Norma Isela Cuevas
411 Central Ave.
Salinas, CA 93901*

Good Luck!

Please e-mail any questions to Norma Cuevas at ncuevas@hartnell.edu or Nayeli Figueroa at nfigueroa@csufresno.edu