



**Mexican Heritage Society of Port Arthur, Texas
P.O. Box 1669
Groves, Texas 77619**

**2021
ACADEMIC
SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATION**

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

1. Applicant must have at least one parent of Mexican descent.
2. Applicant must be a graduating senior of the current year in Southeast Texas or an active member of the Mexican Heritage Society Dancers
3. Applicant must provide proof of income from required documentation, listed on page 4 of the information requirements.
4. Applicant must be in the top 25% of their graduating class.
5. Applicant must be referred by a member of the Mexican Heritage Society.
6. Application packets must be **Postmarked on or before August 2, 2021.**
7. All applicants will be scheduled a personal interview as part of the application process.

****IN-PERSON OR PHONE INTERVIEWS****

SOMEONE FROM THE SOCIETY COMMITTEE WILL CONTACT YOU TO SCHEDULE

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS:

- **Will receiving a scholarship affect my financial aid?**
No, but a scholarship is considered part of the financial aid packet. Since your financial aid packet cannot exceed your financial aid, other forms of financial aid may be reduced.
- **Do I have to be a full-time and degree seeking student to receive this scholarship?**
Yes, you have to be in order to receive this scholarship.
- **What is the process for selecting recipients and when will I know if I am chosen for a scholarship?**
A committee selected by the Mexican Heritage Society will review all applications and conduct interviews. Interviews will be scheduled for:TBD. A member from the MHS will notify scholarship recipients.
- **What if I turn in my application late?**
Applications **will not** be accepted if postmarked after **August 2, 2021**.
- **If I am chosen for a scholarship, how and when will I receive the award?**
The Mexican Heritage Society of Port Arthur, Texas will hold an award ceremony in the recipients' honor, at which time you will be given instructions on details of claiming your scholarship.
- **How long do I have to claim my scholarship?**
The recipient will have one year from the date of their graduation to claim their scholarship.
- **How will the funds be disbursed to the college or university?**
The funds will be sent directly to the college or university of your enrollment.
- **To what address do I mail my scholarship application packet to?**
Mail your completed application packet with proper postage and Postmarked by **August 2, 2021** to:

Mexican Heritage Society
Attention: Scholarship Committee
PO Box 1669
Groves, Texas 77619

CHECKLIST

Details of Required Documentation

() *Scholarship Application*

- Include in your packet, completed pages 4, 5, & 6 of this application.

() *High School Transcript*

- Include in your application packet, your most current transcript.

() *Letters of Recommendation/Referrals*

Three (3) letters of recommendation/referrals are required in your application packet. Each one must be in a separate and sealed envelope. Request the letter include: Student name & high school, who the writer is (Teacher, Counselor, Other) and how they know you, and their name.

- One from a Teacher ()
- One from a Counselor ()
- One from another adults who is not a relative ()

() *Proof of Income*

Select one of the following required acceptable proof of income documents and include it in your application packet.

- Current year of your parents Federal Tax Return, pages 1 & 2 only
- FASFA
- Reduced/Free Lunch Certification

() *Photos*

Include the following required photos in your application packet. Photos should be recent and no larger than 4x6. Headshot will be kept attached to your application. Photograph of choice, should you be granted a scholarship, may be used for publicity or to promote scholarships and the society and included in the Fiesta program book.

- Two headshot photos (should be face only)
- One photograph of your choice (can be full body, etc)

APPLICATION FOR SCHOLARSHIP

Full Name _____
(First) (MI) (Last)

SS# or High School Student ID# _____

Birthdate: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Work or Parent Phone: _____

Gender: _____ Female _____ Male Age: _____

Were you referred by a Mexican Heritage Society Member?

YES NO

If No, how were you referred? _____

I. HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

High School: _____

School Address: _____

Graduation Year: _____

Have you taken the SAT? ___yes ___no If yes, please list score _____

Have you taken the ACT? ___yes ___no If yes, please list score _____

List your High School Honors: _____

List your High School Activities: _____

II. COLLEGE UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

College Campus Interest: _____

Anticipated Major: _____

III. FINANCIAL INFORMATION

What other scholarships have you been awarded to begin your college career? _____

Do you live with your parents? ___yes ___no

*If Yes, please complete Section A

*If No, please complete Section B

SECTION A

1. Number living in the household: _____

2. Total Family Income \$ _____

Your Income \$ _____ Parent(s) Income \$ _____

SECTION B

1. Number living in the household: _____

2. Total Family Income \$ _____

3. Do you own you own home or pay rent? _____

IV. EMPLOYMENT

Are you currently employed? ___yes ___no

*If Yes, please complete section below:

___ Full-Time ___ Part-Time ___ Temporary ___ Permanent

Name of Employer: _____