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Barrientos Scholarship Foundation

Scholarship Application

Deadline: **May 1, 2012**

2012 Scholarship Program Instructions

The Barrientos Scholarship Foundation was established in 2005 to assist Latino students pursuing higher education in Nebraska to continue their educational and career goals. As the Barrientos family has long been well known for their love of the arts, music, and community involvement, it's a dream of theirs and the community to see our youth reach their fullest potential in life. Please fill out this application and take the next step in pursuing a higher education.

Scholarship Awards

Scholarships will be awarded in the following four categories:

Arts, Medical, Education, Business and General

Number of Awards – Multiple in each category

Scholarship Award Amount - \$500 - \$1,000

Qualifications

1. Applicant must be of Latino heritage.
 2. Applicant must be a high school graduating senior during the 2011-2012 academic year, currently enrolled in college, or an adult ready to pursue college in the fall of 2012.
 3. Applicant must plan to enroll in at least two (2) classes and attend an accredited community college, university, technical, or vocational school in the state of Nebraska or surrounding greater Omaha Metropolitan area for the **2012 – 2013** academic year.
 4. A minimum of a 2.5 cumulative GPA required for current students.
 5. In addition, for those applying for an award in the specialty of
 - **Arts** - applicant must have a strong interest in pursuing higher education in the area of music, visual arts, theater, or dance.
 - **Medical** - applicant must have a strong interest in pursuing higher education in the health industry in the area of nursing, therapy, research, or other medical practice.
 - **Education** – applicant must have a strong interest in pursuing higher education in the education industry as a teacher, counselor, or administrator.
 - **Business** – applicant must have a strong interest in pursuing higher education in the business industry as a business owner/entrepreneur, general manager, salesperson, marketing specialist, human resource specialist, or financial specialist.
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Contact Information

Ricardo Hernandez, Scholarship Chairman

(402) 208-6137

Barrientos Scholarship Foundation

P.O. Box 7173

Omaha, Nebraska 68107

2012 Scholarship Application Form

Please type or print clearly.

I am applying for the following scholarship type:

Arts Education Business
 Medical General

Contact Information

Name: _____
First MI Last

Address: _____
Street Apt # City State Zip

(____) _____ (____) _____ _____
Home Telephone Other Telephone Email

Educational Background

High School/College currently attending: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

College/University attending in fall 2012: _____

Chosen field of study: _____

References

List the two people who completed letters of recommendation for you.

1. _____ _____
Name Relationship to you

 2. _____ _____
Name Relationship to you
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Essay Questions

Provide a typed response answering the questions below. Your responses **MUST** be double spaced using Times Roman 12 font and not exceed two pages.

1. Describe what your educational and career goals are. Also, explain what inspired you to pursue your chosen field of study.
2. Describe how your Latino culture has influenced your life. (please give some examples)
3. Describe how you see yourself making a difference in the Latino community in your future.
4. Describe how this scholarship will assist you in your pursuit of a higher education.

Experiences (may attach resume)

Co-curricular Activities: _____

Awards/Honors Received: _____

Community Service: _____

Certification

I, the undersigned, certify that the information given in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Student's Signature

Date

Barrientos Scholarship Application Reference Form



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Please return this form to the applicant in a sealed envelope. The reference letters must be included in the completed packet. Please return this reference to the student in a timely fashion. Applications must be postmarked by no later than **May, 1st, 2012. Make sure to return this page as well as the letter to the applicant.** Thank you.

Please type or print

Applicant's name: _____

Applicant's School: _____

Name of Reference: _____

Employer: _____

Position: _____

Phone: (____) _____ E-mail: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip Code

Please type a separate letter of reference and refer to the following:

- How long you have known the applicant? In what capacity?
- Speak to the applicant's strengths and areas of improvements
- How do you see the applicant contributing to the Latino community in the future based on her/his career of choice?
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Requirements – Application Packet

If application is missing any one item or does not follow the requirements it will be excluded from consideration.

- ___ Complete Scholarship Application Form.
- ___ Attach resume or completed Experiences Form
- ___ Complete the essay questions.
Maximum of two pages, double-spaced, Times Roman, 12 point font
- ___ Obtain Two (2) Letters of Recommendation. The letters must be included with the completed package. Do not send them separately.

Letters should comment on the applicant's activities and behaviors that demonstrate co-curricular involvement, leadership, motivation, self-discipline, and community involvement.

Written by mentors in the community (i.e. teacher, choral director, band instructor, community leaders, etc.), not by family members or relatives.

- ___ Provide official high school or college transcript.
(official transcript obtained from school must have official seal)
- ___ Sign completed application form (bottom of Experiences page)
- ___ Submit completed Application Packet by deadline posted below.

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P.O. Box 7173
Omaha, Nebraska 68107

Incomplete application packets will not be considered for scholarship awards.

Award Notification, Recognition and Disbursement

Award recipients will be notified on or before July 31, 2012.

Award recipients will be recognized at the annual Latino Heritage Awards Banquet being held on October 11, 2012 at the Creighton University Harper Center. Your attendance will be expected and you will be able to have two guests. Scholarship money will be sent directly to the college or university that you're attending upon receipt of verification of your enrollment.