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Dear Scholarship Applicant:

The Wisconsin Hispanic Scholarship Foundation, Inc. (WHSF) / Mexican Fiesta provides a cultural, educational and literary environment to enhance and open opportunities to improve academic success and quality of life of the Hispanic community while promoting a better understanding of the arts, history, literature, economic development, and perpetuation of Hispanic culture in the metro Milwaukee area, as well as throughout the state and the country.

WHSF/Mexican Fiesta works hard every year to accomplish our aim by hosting our annual fundraiser event, "Mexican Fiesta", which has been held for the past 46 years at the Henry. W Maeir Festival Park every fourth weekend in August (21st, 22nd & 23rd, 2020).

This year the WHSF/Mexican Fiesta and LULAC Councils of Wisconsin 342 & 343 are working in collaboration to provide scholarships to deserving young Hispanic men and women that aspire a higher education. Thanks to this collaborative effort we have awarded more than \$1,385,000. Our goal for this year is to empower a greater number of Hispanic students through our scholarship fund program. We are confident that we will achieve our goal with your support and the support of our partners and community because we all share the same vision, *"Education is the key of the future"*.

Enclosed you will find the scholarship application materials. **Please note that the application must be completed, typed, signed, legible, and submitted /postmarked by March 31st, 2020. Mail to:**

**WHSF/Mexican Fiesta
Attention: Scholarship Committee
2997 S. 20th St.
Milwaukee, WI 53215**

For more information, please contact the Mexican Fiesta office at (414) 383-7066 or visit our website www.mexicanfiesta.org. Buena Suerte!

Sincerely,

Scholarship Committee





LULAC NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

STUDENT APPLICATION

The LULAC National Scholarship Fund (LNSF) is a program of the
LULAC National Educational Service Centers, Inc.(LNESEC)



WWW.LNESEC.ORG

LULAC NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND STUDENT APPLICATION © 1/19

The League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) has considered education its number one priority since it was established in 1929. As part of LULAC's education efforts, the LULAC National Scholarship Fund (LNSF) was established in 1975 to provide scholarships to Latino students attending colleges and universities. Under the LNSF program, local LULAC Councils, in partnership with local and national businesses, award scholarships to students in their communities. LNSF is administered by the LULAC National Educational Service Centers, Inc., (LNESEC) a non-profit educational organization established by LULAC to provide educational programs to youth across the country.

TERMS: LULAC Councils will award scholarships to qualified Latino students who are enrolled or are planning to enroll in accredited colleges or universities in the United States. Awards start at \$250. Awards of \$500 and under are disbursed on July 15th; awards over \$500 are disbursed in two equal payments on July 15th and January 15th. All awards are sent to the local LULAC Councils for distribution to recipients. Scholarships may be used for the payment of tuition, academic fees, room, board, and the purchase of required educational materials & books. A student may not accept more than one LNESEC-sponsored scholarship award in given academic school year.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: Applicants must meet the following criteria to be considered for a scholarship:

- Applicants must be a U.S. citizen, legal permanent resident, or be granted Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA).
- Must have applied to or be enrolled as a full-time student in a college or university, including 2-year colleges, or vocational schools that lead to an associate's degree. Graduate students must have applied to or be enrolled as a part time student in a college or university.
- A student will not be eligible for a scholarship if he/she is related to a scholarship committee member, the Council President, or an individual contributor to the local funds of the Council

AWARD CRITERIA: Applicants are eligible for the following three types of scholarship awards:

National Scholastic Achievement Awards (\$2,000)

- The student has a GPA of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale or equivalent, **and**, if the student is an entering freshman,
- The student scores 29 or higher on the ACT test, **or** 1350 or higher on the SAT test (sum of critical reading and mathematics scores).

Honors Awards (\$500 to \$2,000)

- The student has a GPA of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale or equivalent, **and**, if the student is an entering freshman,
- The student scores 23 or higher on the ACT test, **or** 1100 or higher on the SAT test (sum of critical reading and mathematics scores).

General Awards (\$250 to \$1,000)

Grades and academic performance will serve as indicators; however, emphasis may be placed on the individual's motivation, sincerity, and integrity, which can best be revealed through a personal interview and in the personal essay. Need, community involvement, and leadership activities will also be considered.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applicants must submit the following in order to be considered for an LNSF scholarship:

- Completed and signed LNSF application form
- High school or college transcript, including cumulative GPA.
- Verification of admittance or enrollment from the institution the student is attending or planning to attend (i.e. -letter of acceptance, letter from the registrar, or a transcript)
- Typed personal essay of not more than 300 words

For consideration of an Honors or NSA award, entering college freshman must also submit:

- Copy of ACT or SAT score report

TIME SCHEDULE

March 31: Application due to local LULAC Council. A list of participating LULAC Councils will be available at www.LNESEC.org on March 1st.

June 15: Applicants notified of scholarship award by local LULAC Council

July 15: First scholarship disbursement sent to local LULAC Council

January 15: Second scholarship disbursement sent to local LULAC Council

- Completed LNSF application must be mailed to the local LULAC Council by March 31st.
- Incomplete applications will not be considered for a scholarship.
- The LULAC Council to which you apply may require additional information and/or a personal interview.
- **Applications are NOT accepted at the LNESEC National Office.**

PLEASE SUBMIT APPLICATION TO:

WHSF /Mexican Fiesta
LULAC Council 342 & 343
2997 S. 20th St.
Milwaukee, WI 53215

LULAC NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND STUDENT APPLICATION

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Please type or print neatly and submit to the participating local LULAC Council in your area

Name: _____
First Middle Initial Last

Address: _____
Number Street

City State Zip
Telephone Number: () - E-Mail: _____

Cell Phone Number: () - Alternative E-Mail : _____

Last Four Digits of Social Security Number: XXX - XX- Sex: ☐ Male • ☐ Female

Citizenship: ☐ U.S. Citizen • ☐ Legal Permanent Resident • ☐ Lawfully Present (DACA) Date of Birth: ____/____/____

Ethnic Origin: ☐ Mexican • ☐ Puerto Rican • ☐ Cuban • ☐ South/Central American • ☐ other _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Phone (if different): _____

Are you a first-generation college student? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Are you a LULAC Member? ☐ YES ☐ NO

IF YES, PLEASE CHECK ONE: ☐ I am a Youth Member ☐ I am a Young Adult Member

IF NO, would you like a LULAC Representative to contact you regarding membership? ☐ YES ☐ NO

ACADEMIC DATA

High School _____ Date of Graduation _____ GPA (4.0 scale) _____

College _____ Major _____ GPA (4.0 scale) _____

**If you are a graduating high school senior, please indicate the college or university you will attend in the fall along with your anticipated major*

Current Standing (as of the date of this application): ☐ Not Enrolled • ☐ High School Senior • ☐ College Freshman
☐ College Sophomore • ☐ College Junior • ☐ College Senior • ☐ Graduate Student

ACT/SAT Score _____ Class Rank and Size _____

List honors, awards, extra-curricular activities, and community involvement (use separate sheet if necessary): _____

FINANCIAL DATA

Annual family income _____ # in Family _____ # Dependents in college _____

College expenses for year of application: Tuition \$ _____ Room/Board \$ _____ Other \$ _____

Money available for college expenses: Parents \$ _____ Work \$ _____ Savings \$ _____ Other \$ _____

Have you applied for student financial aid? ☐ Yes ☐ No Please list amount of financial aid already secured \$ _____

FOR LULAC COUNCIL USE ONLY: Council #: _____ Award Amount: _____ Award Type: _____
Check if the applicant has submitted the following: ☐ Signed & completed application form • ☐ Enrollment or admittance verification •
☐ Personal essay • ☐ High school or college transcript • ☐ ACT or SAT score report

*The LNES National Office will utilize the National Student Clearinghouse services to obtain LNSF recipients' degree and enrollment verification. No confidential information will be used in this process.

*Contact information, such as email address and/or phone number may be shared with corporate sponsors in order to provide additional information on program opportunities.

PERSONAL ESSAY

Please type an essay of 300 words (maximum) on how your academic studies will contribute to your personal & professional goals. In addition, please discuss any community service or extracurricular activities you have been involved in that relate to your goals.

Applicant's signature required. Please read carefully, sign and date below:

I certify that all of the information included in this application is true and complete and that I am not related to a member of the Scholarship Committee or the President of the participating LULAC Council to which I am applying for an LNSF Scholarship. I acknowledge that to qualify for supplemental funds, a LULAC Council must be in good standing and that good standing is determined by LULAC National and not LNEsc. I further understand that LNEsc is not responsible for any scholarship commitments made by LULAC Councils or their members. I further understand that LNEsc will not supplement scholarship applications submitted by LULAC Councils, which are not in good standing with LULAC National.

Signature of Applicant

Date

**WISCONSIN HISPANIC SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION, INC. /
MEXICAN FIESTA AND LULAC COUNCIL OF WISCONSIN 342 & 343**

• Summary of Community Service from January 2019 to January 2020

Date of Service	Name of Organization	Service Provided	Number of Hours	Supervisor's Name

Attached a separate sheet if needed.

Wisconsin Hispanic Scholarship Foundation, Inc. (WHSF) Mission:

WHSF is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that provides a cultural, and educational environment to enhance and improve the quality of life and academic success within our community, as well as promoting a better understanding of the arts, history, literature and perpetuation of our culture. The foundation assists in opening opportunities for advancement of the quality of life among Hispanics; it's the bedrock upon which we energize Wisconsin's fastest growing community in pursuit of a critically important mission: Empower young Hispanic men and women by providing a scholarship for their college education.

- In a brief paragraph, please answer the following question: **How can you help us strengthen our cultural traditions and ideas in a way that is innovative and relevant, yet respects the dignity and preserves the history of these traditions?**



ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FORM

Name: _____
First Middle Initial Last

Current Address: _____
Number Street City State Zip

Cell phone Number: _____ **E-Mail:** _____

Additional Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be a WI resident.
- Must have applied to or be enrolled in a Wisconsin college/university.
- Must be a full-time student. (12 credits or more)
- **Must complete a minimum of 20 hours of volunteer service for the WHSF/Mexican Fiesta. (Dates and times to be determined by Committee)**
- Must be a minimum of 25 % of Hispanic descent.
- College/University applicant must submit current official or unofficial transcripts.
- High school seniors applicant must submit current official or unofficial transcript, acceptance letter, and copy of ACT or SAT score report.
- **Application must be completed, TYPED, signed, legible and submitted /postmarked by March 31st, 2020. Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

* All scholarship awards must be cashed before the listed expiration date. Any scholarship awards not cashed before the expiration date will be cancelled. Due to scholarship policies no checks will be re-issued and no exceptions will be made.

I certify that I meet all eligibility requirements and that all information included in this application is true and complete. I authorize the Wisconsin Hispanic Scholarship Foundation, Inc. /Mexican Fiesta and LULAC Council of Wisconsin 342 & 343 to verify any and all information related to this application. All decisions are final.

Applicant Signature

Date

LULAC Council of Wisconsin 342 & 343





SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CHECKLIST 2020

Incomplete applications will not be considered. Please be sure to submit a complete application with the supporting documentation listed below to WHSF/Mexican Fiesta, LULAC Councils 342 & 343 by no later than March 31, 2020. The application must be typed.

Graduating High School Seniors

- ☐ High school transcript, including cumulative GPA
- ☐ Completed, signed, and dated LNSF Application on or before March 31 deadline
- ☐ **Typed**, personal essay of not more than 300 words
- ☐ Verification of admittance from the institution the student plans to attend **fall 2020** (i.e. - letter of acceptance)
- ☐ Copy of ACT/SAT Score Report for consideration of an Honors or NSA award

Undergraduate Students

- ☐ College transcript, including cumulative GPA
 - ☐ Completed, signed, and dated LNSF Application on or before March 31 deadline
 - ☐ Typed, or neatly printed, personal essay of not more than 300 words
 - ☐ Enrollment Verification (**spring 2020**). Must include enrollment hours on transcript:
- Undergraduate students (12 credit hours)

DEADLINE: TUESDAY, MARCH 31st, 2020

Mail to:
WHSF /Mexican Fiesta
Attention: Scholarship Committee
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Milwaukee, WI 53215