2022 La Voz Latina Scholarship

Scholarship Sponsored by:

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**INFORMATION SHEET**

**RULES FOR ELIGIBILITY**

Only those applicants meeting the following requirements will be eligible for this scholarship:

1. Applicant must be of Hispanic/Latino descent. (Male or Female)
2. Applicant must be a resident of and attending high school in Winnebago, Boone, Stephenson or Jo Daviess Counties.
3. Classification as a graduating senior by the time award is granted and be enrolled at an accredited college or university in order to receive funds.
4. Applicant must maintain a 2.5 scholastic average or equivalent.

**CRITERIA FOR CONSIDERATION**

1. Academic achievements which indicate a high potential for success in post-secondary education (includes review of transcripts, ACT/SAT scores, scholastic achievements and awards).
2. Level of involvement in school and community activities.
3. Completed description of projected financial needs as stated in Part 2 of application.
4. Strength of essay written for application **(Limit of two pages with a legible font no smaller than 10pt, double spaced)**.
5. Submission of at least two letters of recommendation (3-4 are encouraged). At least one of the letters must be written by a teacher, school counselor or administrator.

**PROCEDURES**

The following requirements must be met for application to be considered, **all others will be rejected:**

* 1. It is recommended that candidates work closely with their school counselors while completing this application. The application **MUST be reviewed and signed by the counselor and the applicant**.
	2. All information must be **typed or word-processed** on the enclosed forms or copies thereof, except for the required essay.
	3. The essay must be submitted and must be **typed or word-processed** on separate sheets, double-spaced, and attached to the application packet.
	4. The **essay must be limited to no more than 2 pages**, using a legible font no smaller than 10-point and double-spaced.
	5. The scholarship committee will review all eligible applications. Candidates will be scored based on the quality of the overall application. **Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.**

**APPLICATION IN MICROSOFT WORD FORMAT**

This application may be downloaded in PDF form or Microsoft Word format (preferred method) by visiting the YWCA Northwestern Illinois website at <https://www.ywcanwil.org/scholarships/>

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**PERSONAL INTERVIEW**

Applicants should be aware that a personal interview may be required as part of the selection process. If needed, you will be contacted at the phone number provided on your application.

**SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS**

Completed forms and essays must be **delivered to the YWCA office or postmarked U.S. Mail no later than Friday, January 14, 2022. No exceptions. Mail to:**

**YWCA Northwestern Illinois**

**La Voz Latina Scholarship Application**

**4990 E. State Street**

**Rockford, IL 61108**

2020 YWCA La Voz Latina Scholarship Application

**PLEASE REVIEW THE INFORMATION SHEET BEFORE PROCEEDING.**

**To be considered for this scholarship:**

1. All criteria and format requirements listed on the Information Sheet must be met;
2. All sections of this application form must be **typed or word-processed**, completed, and **signed by the applicant and school counselor/administrator**, where indicated;
3. Applicant’s name **must** appear on each page request;
4. A personal interview may be required.

# GENERAL INFORMATION

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| Applicant’s Name |  |
| Applicant’s Address |  |
| City/Zip |  | Telephone |  |
| Applicant’s E-mail Address School | \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
| School Address |  |
| City/Zip |  | Telephone |  |
| Parents/Guardian |  |
| Parent’s Occupation |  |

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Please Note: YWCA La Voz Latina Scholarship will be awarded at a special presentation. Due to changing mitigations, the exact nature of the presentation is still pending. It will likely be a virtual event, detailed info will be emailed to all applicants.Parents and loved ones are welcome to attend the event.

*I have applied for admittance in the fall to the following colleges or universities:*

*How did you hear about this scholarship and where did you obtain the form?* (check all that apply)

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|  | School counselor or administrator |
|  | Friend |
|  | Newspaper |
|  | YWCA Website |
|  | Other:  |
| Applicant Name |  |

I. Biographical Essay (must be typed)

Please attach a biographical essay that includes your goals and future plans upon completing college. (Limit of two pages with a legible font no smaller than 10pt, double spaced.)

II. Please describe financial needs for the first year.

A. Projected Expenses:

Tuition, books, room and board (This information can usually be found on the college’s website or in the college catalogue).

B. Your financial resources to help meet these needs:

1. Estimated Yearly Family Income:

[ ]  $0-$25,000 [ ]  $25,000 - $50,000 [ ]  $50,000 - $75,000 [ ]  $75,000 – over

Number of people in family:

Number of persons in family attending college:

2. Current Student Employment:

3. Scholarship(s) Granted and/or applied for:

4. Other (e.g. Education Funds):

III. Extra-Curricular School Activities and Achievements

A. I have participated in the following extra-curricular activities at school (list activity and dates):

B. I have served in leadership positions in my school and/or earned the following honors or awards (list service and date):

IV. Community Service

A. I have contributed the following volunteer service to my community (church, cultural and civic organizations, etc.):

B. I have served in the following leadership position(s) in the community or earned the following recognition:

V. Attach at least TWO letters of recommendation. At least one of the letters must be written by a teacher, school counselor or administrator.

VI. Attach your official high school transcript, complete with ACT or SAT score.

VII. Grade Point Average:

Applicant’s Grade Point Average of total points

 (for example: 2.5 of 4.0 total points)

VIII. Counselor Verification: Application MUST be signed by a Counselor or School Administrator and the applicant to be considered for the YWCA La Voz Latina Scholarship.

I have reviewed and verified the enclosed information.

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| Counselor/School Administrator Signature (above) |  | Date |
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| Print Name and Title |  |  |
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| Scholarship Applicant Signature (above) |  | Date |