LULAC NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

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STUDENT APPLICATION

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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 Hispanic 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., (LNESC) a non-profit educational organization established by LULAC to provide educational programs for Hispanics and other youth.

TERMS: LULAC Councils will award scholarships to qualified Hispanic 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 15; awards over $500 are disbursed in two equal payments on July 15 and January 15. 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.

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

- Must be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident
- Must have applied to or be enrolled as a full-time student in a college, university, or graduate school, including 2-year colleges, or vocational schools that lead to an associate's degree
- 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.

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.

General Awards ($250 to $1,000)

Grades and academic performance will serve as indicators of potential; 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
- 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, or neatly printed, personal essay of not more than 300 words

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

- High School or college transcript with GPA
- Copy of ACT or SAT score report

TIME SCHEDULE

March 31:	Application due to local LULAC Council
May 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

Mail to LULAC Council below:

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A list of participating LULAC Councils will be available at www.LNESC.org on March 1st

- Completed LNSF application must be mailed to the local LULAC Council by March 31.
- 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 LNESC National Office.

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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*

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City *State* *Zip*

Telephone Number: (_____) _____ - _____ E-Mail: _____

Social Security Number: _____ - _____ - _____ Sex: ❒ Male • ❒ Female

Citizenship: ❒ U.S. Citizen • ❒ Legal Permanent Resident Date of Birth: _____/_____/_____

Ethnic Origin: ❒ Mexican • ❒ Puerto Rican • ❒ Cuban • ❒ South/Central American • ❒ other_____

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

Address (if different):_____

*Effective January 1, 2012, the LNESC 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.

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/Scale _____

College_____ Major _____ GPA/Scale _____

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): _____

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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

PERSONAL ESSAY

Please type or print neatly a statement describing the personal & career goals your studies are leading to. In addition, please describe any community service activities that you have lead or participated in that relate to your future personal and career 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.

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Signature of Applicant *Date*

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