

Sacramento City Unified School District

The Rise Above Scholarship

2021

Amount: \$5,000.00
(\$2,500 per semester)



Application Period: January 4, 2021 – April 16, 2021

Deadline: Friday, April 16, 2021

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The Rise Above Scholarship Award is being given for the purpose of uplifting and empowering the next generation to make our society and communities a better place in the future. The ability to make a positive impact should be an opportunity given to all, not just to those that already have the financial means. The award will be given to a student of whom has exhibited perseverance through challenges, commitment to learning, and clarity of future goals.

The proceeds of this scholarship will be awarded to a Sacramento City Unified School District high school graduate who needs financial assistance to fund his/her education. Additional criteria to apply include a 3.5 GPA, and a proven track record of community service. Applicants are required to enroll full time at an accredited 4 year university.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE:

This scholarship is available for SCUSD students who attend a district or dependent charter school. A graduating senior from any high school in the Sacramento City Unified School District; who

- Graduating students at all high schools and charter schools in the district
- Have financial need, 3.5 GPA, proven track record of community service
- Full time enrollment in an accredited 4-year college or university

The award shall not be available to the recipient of the scholarship until his/her actual enrollment at a university has been verified and documentation has been approved by the chairperson of the awards committee.

NOTIFICATION OF WINNERS:

The scholarship winner will be announced at the selected student’s High School Awards Assembly, unless otherwise indicated. The award will be paid out to the university in which the student is enrolled once enrollment has been verified and approved by the scholarship committee chair.

APPLICATION ATTACHMENTS:

Any student who meets the stated qualifications must complete an online application. The completed application must be accompanied by the following documents:

1. Two Letters of Recommendation (MUST INCLUDE):
 - One from a school official** (principal, counselor, or teacher) at the student’s high school; **and**
 - One from outside the school** (employer, pastor, youth leader, or community leader)
2. Student Essay (MUST BE TYPED and 750 words or less):
 - Short-term and long-term goals
 - Personal challenges
 - Community involvement (including future involvement)
3. Transcript:
 - An unofficial transcript of the student’s high school record, including the first semester of your senior year
4. College Enrollment:
 - Verification of acceptance to a university or acknowledgement by the university that the process is underway

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THE RISE ABOVE SCHOLARSHIP – APPLICATION

A \$5,000.00 Scholarship (\$2,500 per semester)

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ City/Zip: _____

Student ID#: _____ Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

High School: _____

College Choice: (**Location must be an accredited 4-year college or university**)

First Choice: _____

Second Choice: _____

Third Choice: _____

Field in which you intend to major: _____

Father's/Guardian's Name*: _____ Occupation*: _____

Mother's/Guardian's Name*: _____ Occupation*: _____

Yearly Income* _____

Names of brothers and/or sisters: (check if living with family)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>School or Occupation</u>	<u>Living with Family</u>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Approximate amount parents/guardians will pay towards your education per year: \$_____

Amount you have available towards your education (including savings, bonds, other scholarships or sources):
\$_____

*If blank, please explain: _____

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INDIVIDUAL STUDENT PROFILE

(Complete all sections. Attach a separate sheet if more space is needed.)

Applicant's Name: _____

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: (Examples: Student government, school clubs, athletic participation) (Please list academic awards, honors, and advanced courses (i.e. AP an IB) under the Academic Achievement Section)

<i>Activity</i>	<i>Grade Level</i>

COMMUNITY INTERESTS AND ACTIVITIES: (Examples: Other organizations, hobbies, scouts, 4H, volunteer experience, religious, employment history)

<i>Activity</i>	<i>Grade Level</i>

ACHIEVEMENTS: (Examples: Awards, honors, advanced course)

<i>List</i>	<i>Grade Level</i>

PERSONAL CHALLENGES THAT YOU HAVE OVERCOME:

<i>List</i>	

LONG-TERM GOALS: (5-year career and personal goals after high school)

<i>List</i>	

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____