

San Diego Education Fund  
FY '20 Scholarship Application Form  
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Students selected for this stipend scholarship will receive financial assistance two times during the academic year. The scholarship is renewable annually contingent on full-time enrollment in a college curriculum with sufficient progress toward a degree. Students must attend college in San Diego County.

Award Amount:

- \$1,000 per year with fulltime enrollment at a Community College (two payments of \$500)
- \$2,000 per year with fulltime enrollment at a four-year college/university (two payments of \$1,000)
- Student Teaching stipend based on the type of teaching program selected by the scholar

To qualify for the scholarship stipend the student must meet all of the following criteria:

1. A SDUSD high school or charter school senior graduating in spring 2020.
2. Plan to pursue a career in Teaching.
3. Plan to attend community college or a four-year college in San Diego County.
4. Demonstrate financial need.

This Application includes the following:

- \_\_\_ **Scholarship Application Form:** Complete and sign all indicated pages (type or print legibly).
- \_\_\_ **Application Essay:** Following directions, complete the essay using your own words.
- \_\_\_ **Two Blank Reference Forms:** Application must include two signed references.
- \_\_\_ **Application Checklist:** Before submitting your application, use the checklist at the end of the application to ensure you have completed all the necessary paperwork. (You do not need to include the checklist in your submittal.)

You are responsible for providing the following attachments with this Application:

- \_\_\_ **Free Application for Federal Financial Aid (FAFSA):** Include a completed copy of the FAFSA showing family income to demonstrate financial need.
  
- \_\_\_ Two completed Reference Forms: One reference must be from a teacher. The second reference may be from a principal, teacher, counselor, employer, religious leader, etc. Provide a blank reference form to each of your two chosen references and ask the completed form be returned to you in a sealed envelope with their signature on the flap. Include these two envelopes in your submittal.
  
- \_\_\_ A copy of your most recent high school transcript.

**DEADLINE: Applications must be received at the SDEF Office no later than 5:00 p.m. Friday, February 28, 2020. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered. Delay in mail service is not an acceptable excuse for lateness. See checklist for mailing address.**

NOTICE: A copy of this application may be downloaded and printed from the website: [www.sdef.org](http://www.sdef.org)  
For questions or more information, please see your school counselor, or contact Mary Castleberry at [mcastleberry@sandi.net](mailto:mcastleberry@sandi.net)

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PERSONAL INFORMATION** (please print legibly)

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Middle Name \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

**ACADEMIC INFORMATION** List the name of the high school or charter school you will graduate from in 2020

\_\_\_\_\_

List your weighted Grade Point Average (GPA) for grades 10-12: \_\_\_\_\_

*Note: your application must include your most recent grade transcript*

List any extracurricular school activities you have been involved in and indicate your role (i.e., class officer, sports, and clubs, after school programs)

\_\_\_\_\_

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List any volunteer community service activities in which you have participated (i.e., non-profit organization, church, etc.) and your role

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List the names of Colleges/Universities you have applied to or plan to apply:

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List your intended Major/Course of Study \_\_\_\_\_

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**WORK EXPERIENCE** List any past or current employment, including unpaid summer internship

*Company Name*                      *Dates Employed*                      *Hours*                      *Duties*

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Please share anything in your personal, family, school, or other situation that has not been revealed in the above questions.

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## SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

List the number of family members currently living at home including yourself: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of family members living at home currently attending college: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Family Income (check one)

Under \$20,000                       \$21,000-35,000                       \$36,000-\$50,000  
 \$51,000-\$65,000                       \$65,000 - \$80,000                       Over \$81,000

(Note: your application must include a copy of the FASFA)

### Parent Education Level (check the highest level of education achieved)

Raised by Other than Parent

**MOTHER**    None    1-8<sup>th</sup> Grade    Some high school    High School Graduate  
 Some College    College Graduate

**FATHER**    None    1-8<sup>th</sup> Grade    Some high school    High School Graduate  
 Some College    College Graduate

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**SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

Provide a one-page description of why you want to attend college to pursue a degree in Teaching. Describe the importance of how the scholarship would help achieve this goal. This essay should provide evidence of a serious interest in teaching. Describe a teacher or incident in your schooling that inspired you to pursue this career.

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**CERTIFICATION AND SUBMISSION**

By marking YES below, I certify that all information in this application is true to the best of my knowledge. I intend to attend a college or university in San Diego County. I plan to pursue a course of study leading to an undergraduate degree in Teaching. If awarded a scholarship I agree to keep in contact with the San Diego Education Fund on a regular basis and upon receipt of teaching credential and employment in a teaching position, I agree to maintain contact with the SDEF for a minimum of three years afterwards.

\_\_\_\_\_ YES

\_\_\_\_\_ NO

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_ ]

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*Scholarship Reference Form*

The student named below has applied for a scholarship and listed you as a reference. Please complete the information below and return this form in a sealed envelope with your signature on the flap to the student who requested this reference. Failure to submit references will disqualify student from the scholarship.

STUDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR NAME/TITLE \_\_\_\_\_

YOUR RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT \_\_\_\_\_

HOW LONG HAVE YOU KNOWN STUDENT \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

OVERALL RECOMMENDATION: \_\_\_Excellent Potential \_\_\_Good Potential \_\_\_Fair Potential

Please describe in your own words why/why not the student deserves a scholarship award. Your observations should be focused on those qualities necessary to achieve the academic success necessary to graduate with a college degree.

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**CHECKLIST**

Use this checklist to be sure you have completed all parts of the application according to the instructions provided. A late or incomplete application will not be considered. Delay in mail service is not an acceptable excuse for lateness. Applications may be dropped off in person at the address below.

To be accepted for review, your application packet must include the following:

- \_\_\_ Scholarship Application Form, all pages completed and signed where indicated
- \_\_\_ A one page typed or legibly hand written essay describing why you want the scholarship
- \_\_\_ Attachment 1: **FASFA** – Free Application for Federal Financial Aid verifying family income
- \_\_\_ Attachment 2: Two signed and dated reference statements. Must be in sealed envelope with the reference person signature on the envelope flap
- \_\_\_ Attachment 3: Official school copy of your most recent high school transcript

Mail or hand-deliver the application packet including attachments to:

Mary Castleberry, SDEF  
San Diego Unified School District  
4100 Normal Street, Room 3251  
San Diego, CA 92103-2682

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