



Twenty-third District PTA
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GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

Twenty-third District PTA will offer a Graduating High School Senior Scholarship in the amount of \$500 to acknowledge the achievements of a high school senior for volunteer service in the school and community.

AVAILABILITY The Scholarship funds are available to high school seniors graduating between January 1 and June 30 of the current academic year from a high school within Riverside County with a PTA/PTSA unit in good standing. Scholarship is to be used during fall semester/quarter following high school graduation at an accredited college or university, community college or trade or technical school.

APPLICATION AND DEADLINE An application may be obtained from the Twenty-third District PTA office, or on the website at www.23rdpta.org. References are to be completed by a community or PTA volunteer leader with whom student applicant has served and a member of the high school faculty. Reference letters should be given to the applicant in a sealed envelope to be included with application packet. Reference letter must be written specifically for this scholarship application. Copies of recommendation letters for college admission are NOT acceptable. Do not submit more than the requested two reference letters. Reference letters in sealed envelopes, a legible copy of applicant's current PTA/PTSA membership card on an 8-1/2 x 11 sheet of paper and completed application are to be mailed or delivered together in ONE envelope to the Twenty-third District PTA office. Application envelope must be received in the Twenty-third District PTA office by close of business **Thursday, April 2, 2009**. Postmarks will not be accepted. Application will not be considered if received after deadline date or if any of the required materials are missing. Application and reference letters must be mailed or delivered; facsimiles and e-mails will not be accepted.

QUALIFICATIONS This scholarship recognizes volunteer service in the school and community and does not have a grade point average restriction or requirement. Applicant must be a Riverside County resident, graduating from a high school in Riverside County with a PTA/PTSA unit in good standing, and must be a member of his/her high school PTA/PTSA. A copy of applicant's current PTA/PTSA membership card must be submitted with application.

SELECTION Recipients are selected by representatives of the Twenty-third District PTA Scholarship Committee. Scholarship recipient will be notified by letter in May. Upon proof of acceptance and enrollment as a full-time student (12 units or more), a check for the scholarship will be presented to recipient at the Twenty-third District PTA Awards Dinner in May.

*Accreditation acceptable from the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, Inc., Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools, New England Association of Schools and Colleges, North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges and Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.



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DEADLINE FOR RETURN – April 2, 2009 (Postmarked will not be accepted; must be in office by deadline.)

APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED IF RECEIVED AFTER DEADLINE

Please type or print legibly

*Last Name, First Name	*Phone	
*Street Address	City	Zip Code
*Complete Name of High School	Date of Graduation (Month, Day, Year)	
*High School Street Address	City	Zip Code
*Intended major/course of study at college/university, trade or technical school		

List names of accredited colleges/universities, community colleges or trade or technical schools to which you have applied and/or been accepted. Recipient must attend an accredited college/university, community college or trade or technical school as a full-time student (12 units or more) for the current fall semester/quarter.

PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING: (Essay no more than two (2) pages.)

 PTA Council (school district)

1. Describe any PTA/PTSA responsibility you may have. Be sure to include the name of the unit PTA.
2. State your reason for applying for this scholarship. Include your career plans, goals, objective and any other information you feel would be valuable to the selection committee.
3. Describe all school service-related activities—include any service you provide to others in your school. Do not use abbreviations for any organizations listed.
4. Describe in detail your volunteer service in the community. Do not include school extracurricular activities (previous question refers to school-related activities). Do you give permission for your name to be used in a news release concerning these scholarships? Yes No

*SIGNATURE of applicant	Date
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*REQUIRED

PLEASE RETURN APPLICATION PACKET IN THE FOLLOWING ORDER, ATTACHING A PAPER CLIP TO THE UPPER LEFT HAND CORNER (DO NOT STAPLE):

1. Complete application form
2. Legible copy of membership card on 8-1/2" x 11" sheet of paper
3. Essay response to information items 1 - 4, no more than two (2) pages
4. Two (2) reference letters, in sealed envelopes

MAIL/DELIVER TO: 23rd District PTA: (use address listed above) *facsimiles and e-mails will not be accepted.*

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	<input type="checkbox"/> Copy of current membership card	<input type="checkbox"/> Two (2) Reference letters	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Unit ID Number _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Unit in good standing	