

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE
Raymond R. Farmer Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship fund was established by the Raymond R. Farmer Memorial Fund to recognize and provide financial assistance to deserving students who are actively involved in community service/volunteer work.

TO BE ELIGIBLE STUDENTS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- Currently enrolled in at least 6 units at Mesa College
- Declared academic goal of transfer to a four year institution
- Completed at least 12 units at Mesa College
- Have a grade point average of 2.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale
- Demonstrated community involvement
- Have demonstrated financial need – Financial need must be documented by completing the attached **Financial Statement**

APPLICATION DEADLINE FEBRUARY 27, 2009

Completed applications and all required supporting documents must be received by 4:00 p.m. on February 27, 2009. Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

SELECTION PROCESS AND CRITERIA

All completed applications that meet eligibility requirements will be reviewed by a committee composed of representatives from the Mesa College Faculty, Classified Staff, Student Government, and Administration.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE RATED AS FOLLOWS:

Community Service	20 points maximum
Essay	40 points maximum
Recommendation letter (1)	10 points maximum
Financial Need	30 points maximum

RECIPIENT NOTIFICATION AND RELEASE OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Recipients will be notified by mid-April. Awards will be presented on Friday May 8, 2009, at the Annual Scholarship Awards Banquet. Recipients will be honored as special guest and will receive one complimentary dinner ticket. Attendance at the Scholarship Banquet is strongly encouraged so that your achievements can be celebrated and the generosity of the donors publicly acknowledged.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Applicants are requested to submit the following documentation:

1. A fully completed application-biographical questionnaire. All information requested must be provided.
2. Submit one current letter of recommendation on official letterhead:
 - One (1) from a person who can provide information and verification of your community/volunteer service.
3. Submit a well-written essay that responds to the following questions: Why should you be awarded a Raymond Farmer Memorial Fund Scholarship and how will the scholarship help you attain your educational goal?

RETURN OR MAIL TO:

San Diego Mesa College
Student Affairs Office
ATTN: Scholarship Committee
7250 Mesa College Drive, H-500
San Diego, CA 92111

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2. List and describe leadership, college, community or public service activities; (Please check supplement for specific requirements.)

3. Essay (see supplement)
4. Recommendation Letter (see supplement)

*** If you are applying for more than one scholarship, it is your responsibility to ensure that all appropriate documentation is attached to each application.**

CERTIFICATION AND RELEASE INFORMATION

I certify that the preceding information is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and authorize the release of my student records to persons who need access to them in consideration of my application.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Name: _____ SS#: _____
 last first middle initial

Address: _____
 street city state zip code

The selection committee can evaluate your financial need only if you complete the following section. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

1. If your parent(s) filed a **2007** U.S. Income Tax Return, were you claimed as an exemption?
 Yes No Parents did not file

2. Do you live with one or both of your parents? Yes No

If you answered "Yes" to either question 1 or 2, you are a **DEPENDENT** student and must provide income and household information about yourself and your parent(s).

If you answered "No" or "Parent(s) did not file" to question 1, and "No" to question 2, you are an **INDEPENDENT** student and must provide income and household information about you and if applicable, your spouse.

If you answered yes to either one of the above questions and feel that you have extenuating circumstances as to why you should not provide parental information, please explain below:

DEPENDENT STUDENT

How many persons are in your parent(s) household (always include yourself, your parent(s), and anyone who lives with your parent(s) and receives more than 50% of their support from them)? _____

INDEPENDENT STUDENT

How many persons are in your household (include yourself, your spouse, and anyone who lives with you and receives more than 50% of their support from you)? _____

	Parent	Applicant (and Spouse)
2007 Income Information:		
a. Adjusted Gross Income: * (If 2007 U.S. Income tax return was filed, enter amount from-- Form 1040 EZ-line 4, 1040-line 31, 1040A-line 19.)	\$ _____	\$ _____
b. Untaxed Income: (Enter the amount received for Social Security, Welfare, Child Support or other untaxed income)	\$ _____	\$ _____
c. All Other 2007 Income: (Source) _____ _____	\$ _____	\$ _____
TOTAL INCOME FOR 2007: (sum of a, b, and c)	\$ _____	\$ _____

Please list any additional information you wish to provide that supports your financial need:

Your signature is required below indicating that the information you have provided is true and correct to the best of your knowledge. If parental information is provided, at least one of your parents must also sign this form.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Parent's Signature

Date