

**SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE
VIOLET LITTLE FLOWER CLARK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP -
SUPPLEMENT
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AND LEADERSHIP AWARD**

This scholarship fund is established by the family of Violet Little Flower Clark as a memorial to her full life and the American Indian Studies Program at San Diego Mesa College to recognize and provide financial assistance to a deserving student of American Indian ancestry who has shown scholarship and leadership potential. (One \$250 Scholarship will be awarded. If funding permits, two will be funded).

TO BE ELIGIBLE, STUDENTS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- Be currently enrolled in at least 9 units at San Diego Mesa College.
- Have completed a minimum of one course in American Indian / Native American Studies at a regionally accredited college or university.
- Have completed a minimum of 12 semester units (or equivalent) regionally accredited college or university.
- Have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale for college courses completed.
- Have a declared academic goal of transfer to a four year institution.
- Maintain academic progress. Progress verified by counseling.
- Have leadership/service related to American Indians at Mesa College or in the community.

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 Romero-Clark Family and may include the Mesa College faculty, staff, student government, and administration.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE RATED AS FOLLOWS:

GPA of 2.5 and higher	20 points maximum
Leadership/Community Service	20 points maximum
Essay	30 points maximum
Recommendation letters (2)	20 points maximum
American Indian/Native American Studies course	10 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 guests 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 two current letters of recommendation on official letterhead:
 - One (1) from a Mesa College faculty member (counselors are faculty members) specific to this scholarship and discussing your academic achievement and/or progress in your planned educational program.
 - One (1) from a person (faculty, staff or community member) who can provide information regarding your internship(s), work-experience, and/or community service activities.
3. Submit a typed well-written original essay with a paragraph on each of the following:
 - Why should you be awarded this scholarship?
 - What does your education mean to you?
 - What hardships/challenges have you encountered in obtaining an education?
 - What extra-curricular activities have you participated in, and what volunteer positions have you held?

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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