

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE

DSP&S SCHOLARSHIP

“Dream, Strive, Persevere & Succeed” Scholarship

This scholarship fund was established by the Disability Support Programs and Services Department San Diego Mesa College in order to recognize and provide financial assistance to a deserving DSP&S student currently in good standing with the program.

TO BE ELIGIBLE STUDENTS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- Be currently enrolled at least 6 units at Mesa College
- Be currently receiving services from the DSP&S Program
- Have completed a minimum of 12 units at Mesa College
- Have a grade point average of 2.0 or higher
- Maintain Academic Progress
- Demonstrated financial need. Verification of financial need will be processed through the Financial Aid Office at Mesa College.

APPLICATION DEADLINE FEBRUARY 29, 2012

Completed applications and all required supporting documents must be received by **5:00 pm on February 29, 2012**. 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 the Mesa College DSP&S Department.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE RATED AS FOLLOWS:

Biographical Questionnaire	10 points maximum
Leadership/Community Service	20 points maximum
Financial Need	10 points maximum
Essay	50 points maximum
Recommendation Letter	10 points maximum

RECIPIENT NOTIFICATION AND RELEASE OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Recipients will be notified by early April. Awards will be presented on April 27, 2012 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 required for release of scholarship funds. Non-attendance will, in most cases, result in forfeiture of scholarship award.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

Applicants are required to submit the following documentation:

1. Submit a fully completed biographical questionnaire. All information requested must be provided.
2. Submit one current letter of recommendation on official letterhead from a Mesa College Counselor or instructor specific to this scholarship and discussing your academic achievement and/or progress in your planned educational program.
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 extracurricular or community activities have you participated in?
 - What are your academic and career goals?
4. Submit **unofficial** transcripts.

RETURN OR MAIL TO:

San Diego Mesa College
Student Affairs Office
ATTN: Scholarship Committee
7250 Mesa College Drive
San Diego, Calif. 92111

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