

**SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE**  
**LARRY SCHWARTZ SCHOLARSHIP AWARD - SUPPLEMENT**  
**ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AND LEADERSHIP AWARD**

*This scholarship fund was established by the faculty members of American Federations of Teachers of the San Diego Community College District to honor the memory and contributions to education and unionism to Larry Schwartz (1932-1955): history professor, labor organizer, a founder and long-time president of the American Federation of Teachers and political activist. It is awarded to members, former members, or children of members of a union who are pursuing their education.*

**TO BE ELIGIBLE STUDENTS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:**

- Be currently enrolled in at least 6 units at Mesa College
- Have completed a minimum of 12 units at Mesa College
- Have a grade point average of 2.8 or higher on a 4.0 scale for Mesa College courses completed and cumulative grade point average of 2.8 or higher
- Be a labor union member in good standing, a former member with an honorable withdrawal card, or the son or daughter of a member in good standing

**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, and members of the local chapter of the American Federation of Teachers.

**APPLICATIONS WILL BE RATED AS FOLLOWS:**

Essay on Educational/career goals	50 points maximum
Essay on selected union topic	50 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 a well-written original essay relating your college and community involvement to your educational/career goals. Length: 500 words or less.
3. Submit a well-written original essay on one of the following topics:
  - What labor union membership has meant to your family.
  - The role of labor unions in promoting the well-being of workers
  - The significance of labor unions in contemporary America. Your essay should be 500 words or less.

### **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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