

SAN DIEGO MESA COLLEGE
MESA ACADEMY PROGRAM - SUPPLEMENT
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

This scholarship fund was established by the Mesa Academy Program in the Counseling Department in order to recognize and provide financial assistance to a deserving Mesa Academy student currently in good standing.

TO BE ELIGIBLE STUDENTS MUST MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- Be currently enrolled in 12 units at Mesa College (Students transferring Winter or Spring Quarter through Transfer Admission Guarantee or Spring Semester through Transfer Studies Degree are still eligible)
- Have completed a minimum of 12 units at Mesa College
- Have a student education plan completed by the Counselor of the Mesa Academy Program. Educational plan must demonstrate work towards an Associates, Certificate, or Transfer
- Have completed English 101 or 205 and Personal Growth 120, 127, 130 or 140 with a grade of “B” or better
- Have an on-going Mentoring relationship with a Mesa College Faculty or Staff
- Have a GPA of 2.5 or better

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 Mesa College faculty, Mesa Academy counseling faculty, classified staff, student government, and administration.

APPLICATIONS WILL BE RATED AS FOLLOWS:

Biographical Questionnaire	25 points maximum
Grade Point Average of 2.5 or higher	15 points maximum
Student Education Plan	15 points maximum
Transcript of Course Completion	
Personal Growth 127	15 points maximum
Mentoring Relationship	20 points maximum
One Letter of Recommendation	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 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 letter of recommendation on official letterhead:
 - One (1) from a Mesa College faculty member discussing your academic achievement and/or progress in your planned educational program.
3. Submit a typed original essay with a paragraph addressing each of the following questions:
 - How did you become familiar with the Mesa Academy Program?
 - What does attaining a formal education mean to you and your future?
 - What made you become interested in participating in the Personal Growth 120, 127 class and or Personal Growth 140 class?
 - What challenges/hardships have you encountered in obtaining an education?
 - How will you “give back” to students or the community as a result of your education and preparation for life success?

The essay should be no more than two (2) pages.

RETURN OR MAIL YOUR MATERIALS 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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