CCSA Scholarship Application

Chico Community Scholarship Association (CCSA) is a nonprofit organization of clubs, businesses, school personnel and private citizens. The purpose of CCSA is to coordinate scholarship awards to deserving high school students residing in the Chico Unified School District area who are interested in continuing their education beyond high school, either in an academic or vocational field. Last year CCSA gave out a total of 139 scholarships.

We can be reached by email at info@chicoscholarships.org, or by voice mail at (530) 715-0066.

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Application Instructions

Applications are due January 20, 2021. Return application to your high school counseling office. A pdf copy of this application can be found on our website, www.chicoscholarships.org.

Late applications will not be accepted.

1. An incomplete application will not be considered.
2. Include two letters of recommendation from a family friend, employer, coach, neighbor, minister, etc. **Do not use family or peers.**
3. Include a completed Activity Record of your high school and community activities (found on page 5). You may provide a supplemental resume or an additional activity list if you wish.
4. Please write a personal statement of 350 – 650 words, which includes an anecdote from your life that gives a glimpse of who you are. You might write about a situation or person who motivated you to pursue education or training beyond high school, a person or incident that has influenced your life, or explain what motivates you to pursue a particular career path. Statements must be typed.
5. Not all scholarships are need-based. **If applying for a need–based scholarship, you must complete the financial information on page 4.**
6. CCSA understands that the pandemic has caused unavailable classes, shutdown of sports and suspension of clubs, travel and hobbies. You may include an optional essay of 250 words or less telling us how COVID-19 has affected your senior year of high school in academics, sports, interests, etc. You can tell us about the challenges you faced, the impact it had on you, what you did about it, and what you learned from it.
7. If you have any questions or issues about filling out this application, please contact your counselor for guidance.
Applicant Name___________________________ High School________________________

Application Checklist

___ Completed CCSA Scholarship Application
___ Two Letters of Recommendation
___ Activity Record
___ Personal Statement
___ Optional COVID-19 Essay

___ If applying for a need-based scholarship, check here ____ and complete the Financial Information Form, page 4 of this application.

Please use paper clips and do not staple pages together. Return to the counseling office at your school.

Please print CLEARLY & check all that apply.

Please note that some questions are used to determine eligibility for specific scholarships. All information will remain confidential.

In high school did you participate in the following?

___ Athletics- Which ones? __________________________________________________________
___ Agriculture _________________________________________________________________
___ Boys & Girls Club __________________________________________________________
___ Community Service __________________________________________________________
___ CTE ________________________________________________________________________
___ Drama ______________________________________________________________________
___ Music/Dance __________________________________________________________________
___ Student Government __________________________________________________________

Please list the top 4 colleges you are interested in attending:
____________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________
____________________________________________________________

Mark any areas of major/career interest:

___ Agriculture ___________ Art ___________ Business
___ Computer Science ________ Construction ________ Cosmetology
___ Dentistry ___________ Economics ________ Engineering
___ Environmental Studies ________ Fashion Design ________ Firefighter
___ Mathematics ________ Media/Communications ________ Medicine
___ Music ___________ Nursing ________ Pre-law
___ Political Science ________ Psychology/Counseling ________ Sciences
___ Teaching ________ Undecided

Any other: ____________________________________________________________

Do you have a parent who has or does serve in the military, which branch? __________________________

Please indicate the highest level of education for Parent 1:
___ Elementary ___ High school degree ___ 2-year college degree ___ 4-year college degree
___ Post-graduate degree

Please indicate the highest level of education for Parent 2:
___ Elementary ___ High school degree ___ 2-year college degree ___ 4-year college degree
___ Post-graduate degree

___ I live in CHIP housing. (This is voluntary to disclose.)
Applicant Name_________________________________ High School________________________

You may share my contact information, including address, phone number and or email with donors who may be awarding me a scholarship.  ___YES ___ NO

Note that excerpts from your Personal Statement Essay may be used in the CCSA newsletter or promotional activities. Each applicant may only receive one scholarship from CCSA. A committee will review this scholarship application.

Some applicants may receive an interview; not receiving an interview does not mean you will not receive a scholarship. There is a possibility these interviews will be held virtually. If you are selected for an interview, you will be contacted at the email address you provided on this application. Please check your email regularly in March, 2021.

All students will be notified in May regarding the outcome of their application. We will only send funds to accredited academic and vocational schools after the student recipient informs us of which school they will be attending.

Signatures (If you are under 18 years of age, a parent or guardian must sign)

Student ______________________________ Parent/Guardian ________________________________

YOU WILL BE NOTIFIED BY YOUR HIGH SCHOOL IN MAY IF YOU ARE CHOSEN AS A RECIPIENT, OR BY CCSA IF YOU ARE NOT.
Financial Information Form

Not all scholarships are need based. If you are applying for a need-based scholarship, please complete this form.

All financial information received by CCSA will remain strictly confidential and is only viewed by 3-5 committee members. This information is used only in determining scholarship eligibility.

Applicant Name_________________________ High School________________________

Parent 1’s Name __________________________ Occupation __________________________

Parent 2’s Name __________________________ Occupation __________________________

Name and Address of Parent/Guardian where student currently resides or where at least 50% of room/board is provided:

________________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________________

Have other scholarships been received? _______ Confirmed? _______ List the source and the amount
________________________________________________________________________________

What is the total amount of the family’s current cash, savings and investments? ________

How many people are in your parents’ household? _________

How many people in your parents’ household will be college students between 2021-2022? _____

What was your parents’ adjusted gross income for 2019? _________

How much did your parents pay in income tax in 2019? _________

How much did Parent 1 earn from working in 2019? _________

How much did Parent 2 earn from working in 2019? _________

Are there any unusual financial circumstances that should be noted? If so, please describe
________________________________________________________________________________
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Parent Signature Date
### Activity Record

**Applicant Name** __________________________  **High School** __________________________

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