

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION 2013

In Spring 2013, the Esperanza Education Fund will award scholarships of at least \$5,000 and up to \$20,000 to immigrant students in the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia to attend public colleges and universities, regardless of ethnicity, national origin, or immigration status.

Eligibility Requirements

- Must be born outside the United States or have two parents born outside the United States.
- Must be a graduating senior at a high school in the District of Columbia, Maryland, or Virginia.
- Must enroll full-time at an accredited public college or university in 2013-2014.

Application Materials

- Completed online application form
- Two letters of recommendation
- Essays

Selection Criteria and Process

Scholarship recipients will be selected based on qualities traditionally valued and demonstrated by the immigrant community: hard work, resourcefulness, perseverance in the face of adversity, academic achievement, leadership, and commitment to one's community. A committee drawn from the local community will review applications and select a group of finalists for interviews.

April 1, 2013	Application material due
April 29, 2013	Finalists notified
Early May 2013	Interviews
Mid May 2013	Scholarship recipients notified

Scholarship Conditions

Scholarships will be disbursed directly to the recipient's educational institution. Failure to comply with the following conditions may result in the suspension or revocation of scholarship awards.

- Remain in good standing and maintain a 2.5 grade point average.
- Submit yearly progress reports to the Esperanza Education Fund.

Additional Information

- Get more information at www.esperanzafund.org.
- An application tip session will be offered at the DC Tenley-Friendship Library on February 9 at 10:30am.
- Questions can be directed to Marie Scott, marie.scott@esperanzafund.org.