



## Jose Marquez, Vail Award Scholarship Application

### **Award**

The Educational Enrichment Foundation will award **one** \$500 scholarship. Students will be notified no later than the second week of May. Scholarships may be used to attend an accredited public or private Arizona college, university, or trade school. Payment will be made directly to the institution and may be applied to tuition, fees, and books. The funds will be available prior to the start of school in the fall of 2017.

### **Qualifications**

Available only to graduates of Pueblo Magnet High School. In a 300 word essay applicants must: show a strong motivation to continue their education beyond high school (additionally supported by letters of reference, history of work outside of school, and involvement in community activities); highlight skills required for success in post high school educational pursuit; and explain why they need monetary assistance to continue their education beyond high school.

**Deadline for submitting application  
Monday, April 3, 2017**

### **Who May Apply?**

Pueblo Magnet High School students who intend to graduate in May 2017 or who graduated in December 2016. Applicants must be planning to attend an accredited Arizona college, university, or trade school.

*Please Note: we are not necessarily looking for honor roll students. We are looking for students who have clearly demonstrated the desire and skill to succeed personally and academically and who need financial support to attend college or a trade school.*

### **Application**

- Application Coversheet
- 300-word Essay Addressing the Applicant's Future Educational Goals and Dreams

This essay must also:

1. highlight the applicant's future promise because of a past history of overcoming adversity (personal or economic)
  2. articulate the applicant's motivation to continue her/his education
  3. explain the applicant's need for monetary assistance to continue her/his education (i.e. why s/he would not have the opportunity to acquire post-high school education without financial help)
- Two Recommendations  
Two recommendation forms must be completed by adults who are not family members. These should be individuals who can describe the student's commitment to continuing his/her education beyond Pueblo, his/her extra-curricular activities, personal achievements, and/or community involvement (examples: coaches, teachers, employers, social workers, counselors, community representatives).



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Application Coversheet

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ e-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Anticipated Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please write an original essay (300 words in length) addressing your future educational goals and dreams. Make sure the essay answers the following:

- I am applying for this scholarship because:
- What are your plans for furthering your education and how will this scholarship allow you to accomplish this?
- How does furthering your education fit into your long-term career/life plans?
- Please describe the particular challenges/difficult circumstances that you have faced in your life and how you have overcome these challenges.
- Describe some of your successes and achievements.
- In what ways is your family financially able to help you in continuing your education?
- Receiving the Jose Marquez Scholarship will allow me to accomplish the following:

QUESTIONS? All questions should be directed to EEF at 520/325-8688.

CONFIDENTIALITY:

*Information provided will be used to select recipients and for promotions to announce the scholarship award winners. The selection committee will honor any requests for complete confidentiality*



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Recommendation Form

Please give the scholarship applicant this completed form in a sealed envelope in time to be included with her/his application. The complete application packet must be in the EEF office by **Monday, April 3, 2017**.

**Applicant's Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**First** \_\_\_\_\_ **Middle** \_\_\_\_\_ **Last** \_\_\_\_\_

**Recommendation written by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School/Organization** \_\_\_\_\_ **Academic Dept.** *(if applicable)* \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Street** \_\_\_\_\_ **City** \_\_\_\_\_ **State** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip** \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ **Home Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions, on separate pages (no more than 2 pages), in your own words.

1. How long have you known the applicant and in what capacity?
2. Please tell us in narrative form why you endorse this applicant for the Jose Marquez, Vail Award Scholarship. Be sure to address what you know about the student's academic performance, participation in extra-curricular activities, work history, and/or community service activities. Include your understanding of the particular challenges/difficult circumstances that the student has faced and how s/he has overcome those challenges.

INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

**Submit all of these materials by Monday, April 3, 2017 to:**

**Educational Enrichment Foundation  
3809 E. Third Street  
Tucson, AZ 85716 Phone: 520/325-8688**

To hand deliver an application (we are located on the Second Street side of St. Mark's Church, between Dodge and Alvernon). If it is after hours, please put packet into the mail slot of our green, north-facing door.