

Mr. Amigo Association Scholarship



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The Mission of Mr. Amigo Association

To celebrate the shared culture, friendship and family of Brownsville and Matamoros. To enjoy the traditions and history that unite us bringing “The Valley” and “La Frontera” closer together and serving as an example for our two countries.

Purpose of this Scholarship

To assist students who have shown a sincere interest in obtaining a higher education degree by providing financial assistance in the form of a scholarship that can be utilized for educational-expenses such as tuition, books, a laptop, etc. The Mr. Amigo association desires to promote and strengthen relations between the United States and Mexico and enhance awareness and appreciation of Mexican culture and heritage through all its programs, events and activities.

Award Amount

Award amount will vary and can be up to \$1000.00 per award. For 2018-2019 Scholarship Mr. Amigo awarded four \$1000.00 scholarships. Scholarship awards vary depending on the amount of money raised for funds annually. Selected recipients will have funds directly distributed to the higher education institution the selected candidate is attending. Mr. Amigo Association will work with the Financial Aid Office of the selected institution to disburse funds related to this award. Selected recipients are required to attend a public ceremony tentative scheduled for Saturday, February 29, 2020 at 10 AM.

Selected recipients must contact Mr. Amigo Scholarship Committee and notify them of their selected institution, share their university/college ID Number by August 1, 2020. Recipient must enroll to a college/university within the first fall term after they graduate from high school. Award amount must be applied to educational cost paid to the institution or for other educational needs such as books, education equipment, housing, and meal plans.

Eligibility

- Must be a resident of Cameron County, Texas.
- Must be graduating from high school within the 2019-2020 Academic Year
- Must have a cumulative 3.0 GPA for college courses already completed.
- Must be a U.S. Citizen or Resident Alien.
- Mr. Amigo Board Members and their immediate family members are not eligible for this scholarship.

To ensure impartiality, applicants may not receive assistance from any Mr. Amigo Board Member when completing any part of the application, nor may any Board Member provide a letter of recommendation. Unsuccessful candidates can re-apply for the scholarship annually.

Application Period

The deadline is **February 14, 2020 by midnight**. Any application received after the deadline will not be considered for this scholarship.

Application Submittal

All applications for consideration must be emailed to mramigoassociation@gmail.com by the deadline and included one complete application in **.pdf** format ONLY. Include your full name, current high school you are attending, mailing address, contact phone number and email in the body of the email. (Maximum 10 pages, pages must be merged in 1 file attachment, multiple file attachments will result in disqualification, no hardcopies)

Scholarship Selection Committee

The Scholarship Selection Committee shall be comprised of at least three (3) members of the Mr. Amigo Association. Decisions of the Committee shall be final.

Notification of Scholarship Awards

Recipient will be notified of their selection by email and/or by telephone. Scholarship funds will be distributed to the institution. Student must accept the award by end of February 26, 2020.

Progress Report

The Scholarship Selection Committee requests a courtesy letter from the scholarship recipient upon the completion of the first semester, the scholarship is awarded. This information will be used to update The Mr. Amigo Association on the student's status (success).

INSTRUCTIONS – You must include all materials with your application (ONE FILE)

1. ___ Complete and sign the Scholarship Application.
2. ___ a copy of your most current high school or college transcript.
3. ___ Up to three letters of Recommendation from an individual qualified to discuss the type of person you are and any challenges or obstacles you have overcome in order to pursue your education.
4. ___ One to two page (maximum of 350 words) typed personal statement. The statement should include: A brief summary of your background, academic and career goals and a brief statement of your contributions made to the promotion of Mexican heritage and culture in the Rio Grande Valley.
5. ___ One-page resume of your accomplishments, awards, community service, recognitions, and affiliations with organizations.

Disclaimer

The Mr. Amigo Association and Scholarship Committee reserves the right to amend this application as needed. A completed application does not guarantee an award. Incomplete applications will not be considered. The Mr. Amigo Association Scholarship Committee also reserves the right to verify information. All applicants must have valid identification such as a Texas I.D., passport, or birth certificate.

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Applicant Information

1. Name: _____
Last First MI

2. Home Address: _____
Number and Street City State Zip Code

3. Phones: Home _____ Cell: _____ Email: _____

4. Current School: _____ College/ University Plans: _____

5. Major and Minor Course of _____

6. Graduation Plan: (circle A or B) If applicable

A. Recommended B. Distinguished Rank # _____ out of _____
GPA _____ SAT _____ / _____ ACT _____
M V composite

7. List any employment experience during your high school years

COMPANY	JOB TITLE/POSITION
❖ _____	_____
❖ _____	_____
❖ _____	_____
❖ _____	_____

Honors/Awards

8. List any special recognition/awards you have received during your high school for academic excellence.					
	LEVEL			GRADE	
LEVEL AWARD 11 12	(District, Regional, State, National)			9	10

SCHOOL/COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

9. List your high school extracurricular and/or activities					
	GRADE LEVEL				
ACTIVITY	9	10	11	12	OFFICE HELD, IF ANY

To the extent provided by applicable law, no person shall be excluded from participation in, denied the benefits of, or be subject to discrimination under any program or activity sponsored or conducted by The Mr. Amigo Association on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, religion, disability, age, or veteran status.

Signature of Applicant

Date

By signing this application, I hereby certify that I have answered this statement to the best of my knowledge.