

## **THE NUÑEZ FOUNDATION**

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### **Bright Light Scholarship Application** Information and Instructions

#### **Purpose**

The primary goal of the Nuñez Foundation's scholarship program is to award scholarships to graduating seniors of Aurora high schools wishing to continue their education. Each year the Foundation expects to award two new scholarships in the amount of \$750 - \$1,500. These scholarships may be renewable each year. Applicants should have successfully overcome personal challenges and have demonstrated commitment to additional education.

#### **Eligibility**

To be eligible for a Nuñez Foundation scholarship, each applicant must:

- Be a Colorado resident
- Be a graduating student of an Aurora high school (from Aurora Public Schools, Cherry Creek Public Schools, or any Aurora private school)
- Be accepted to an accredited college (including technical colleges) at the time the funds are allocated
- Have a minimum of 2.0 cumulative GPA
- Meet the financial needs requirement

#### **Selection**

Applications of students who meet the above requirements will be reviewed by a Nuñez Foundation committee and may be contacted for an interview.

Recommendation for a scholarship is based on the following:

- Dedication to obtaining an education
- Personal qualities, strengths and demonstrated goal achievement
- Letters of recommendation on official letterhead
- Extraordinary ability to overcome challenges
- Essay content and style
- Ability to communicate effectively as demonstrated in interview session

#### **Instructions** (Please read carefully before completing the application.)

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all supporting documents listed on the following pages are submitted in one packet. All completed application packets must be postmarked no later than April 1.

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Members of the Foundation will contact scholarship finalists for an interview during the third week of April. Winners of the scholarships will be announced the fourth week of April. Scholarships may be renewed at the sole discretion of the Foundation for up to four years. Important:

- **Scholarship applicants must be available for a personal interview**
- **Scholarship recipients must be available to attend an awards ceremony**

**Please ensure that the following information is enclosed with your application:**

1. Fully completed application form
2. Most current official high school or college transcript
3. Federal income tax returns from previous two years, including parents or guardians
4. Two letters of recommendation
5. Personal essay – This should be a two-three page, double spaced and typed personal statement in which you address the following:
  - a. How, during your school years, you have exhibited the ability to overcome challenges in your life
  - b. Financial need
  - c. Your current interests and career goals
  - d. How you might help the Nuñez Foundation in addressing others like yourself in the future

\* The content and style of this essay is one of the most important considerations for to the selection committee

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Read the general information and instructions carefully before completing this application. All application materials MUST BE legible.

*PERSONAL DATA:*

Complete Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security #: \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status:     \_\_\_ Single   \_\_\_ Married   \_\_\_ Divorced   \_\_\_ Widowed

Children: \_\_\_ Yes   Number and Age(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Hours per week: \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly Salary: \_\_\_\_\_

Past/Current Nuñez Foundation Recipient: \_\_\_ Yes     \_\_\_ No

Name of college attending in fall: \_\_\_\_\_

Financial Aid Office Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of units to complete by spring: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of high school attended: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Ranking: \_\_\_\_\_ Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

ACT Composite Score: \_\_\_\_\_ SAT Composite Score: \_\_\_\_\_

List all grants/scholarships you have applied for:

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List all grants/scholarships received, the source and dollar amount:

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*Two letters of recommendation must be included with this transcript. One letter of recommendation should be from a school official who can discuss your academic and personal achievements, as well as your potential for future success. Please have that person comment on your present enrollment, academic status, and ranking among peers. Also include personal qualities such as leadership skills, self-confidence, maturity, motivation and commitment. **These letters should not be mailed separately!***

*A transcript from your graduating high school must be included with this application.*

## Family Financial Statement

Complete the following information as thoroughly as possible since the selection committee will consider the family financial situation an important element in determining your award. The committee will look positively upon student work situations:

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status:      \_\_\_ Single    \_\_\_ Married    \_\_\_ Divorced    \_\_\_ Widowed

Additional dependent children living at home: \_\_\_ Yes

Number/Name(s) and Age(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Additional children attending college: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Below \$25,000	___
\$25,000 - \$35,000	___
\$35,000 - \$45,000	___
\$45,000 - \$55,000	___
\$55,000 - \$65,000	___
\$65,000 +	___

Mother's Maiden Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Alt. Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status: \_\_\_\_\_ Single \_\_\_\_\_ Married \_\_\_\_\_ Divorced \_\_\_\_\_ Widowed

Additional dependent children living at home: \_\_\_\_\_ Yes

Number/Name(s) and Age(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Additional children attending college: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Annual income level:

Below \$25,000	_____
\$25,000 - \$35,000	_____
\$35,000 - \$45,000	_____
\$45,000 - \$55,000	_____
\$55,000 - \$65,000	_____
\$65,000 +	_____

*Federal income tax returns for the current year (if available) and the two years previous must be included. If tax returns for the current year are not available please include W2's, including parent(s), guardian(s) and yourself.*