

Introduction to Application

The screenshot displays a web application interface for the Esperanza Education Fund. On the left is a vertical navigation menu with three items: 'Dashboard' (with a grid icon), 'Scholarships' (with a graduation cap icon), and 'Application' (with a document icon and highlighted in orange). The main content area is titled 'Application' in orange. It features a progress bar with ten steps: 'Welcome' (Completed), 'Eligibility', 'Biography', 'Financial Need', 'College Plans', 'High School', 'Extracurricular Activities', 'Essays', 'Letters of Recommendation', and 'Certification and Submission'. The 'Welcome' step is expanded, showing a message: 'Thank you for applying to the 2021 Esperanza Education Fund Scholarship!'. Below this, there are three paragraphs of text: one describing the fund as a volunteer-run organization, one recommending users read the application directions carefully, and one providing contact information for questions. At the bottom of the main content area is a dark grey navigation bar with three buttons: 'Previous Step' (disabled), 'Next Step' (active/highlighted in yellow), and 'Submit Application' (disabled).

Application

Welcome
Completed

Thank you for applying to the 2021 Esperanza Education Fund Scholarship!

The [Esperanza Education Fund](#) is an almost entirely volunteer-run organization committed to helping immigrant students or children of immigrant parents achieve their academic potential.

We recommend reading through the entire application before you start completing it. Please read the directions carefully - **errors in your application may result in disqualification.**



If you have any questions, please check out our FAQ, which can be found at our website [here](#) or downloaded [here](#).

By Email: Please reach out to apply@esperanzafund.org with any questions that aren't answered by our FAQ.

Please note that our application deadline is April 1, 2021. There will be no extensions.

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Eligibility Section

<p> Scholarships</p> <p> Application</p>	<p>Welcome <i>Completed</i></p>	
	<p>Eligibility</p>	<p>In order to be eligible for a scholarship from the Esperanza Education Fund, you need to meet the following eligibility requirements. Please certify that you satisfy the following eligibility criteria.</p> <p>If you answer no to any of these questions, please do not fill out the complete application. Although the system will allow you to complete it, it will also disqualify you and the application will not be reviewed.</p>
	<p>Biography</p>	
	<p>Financial Need</p>	
	<p>College Plans</p>	<p>Were you born outside the United States, or do you have two parents born outside the United States?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>
	<p>High School</p>	
	<p>Extracurricular Activities</p>	<p>Are you planning to enroll full-time at an accredited public college or university in the 2021-2022 academic year?</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>
	<p>Essays</p>	
	<p>Letters of Recommendation</p>	<p>Are you either a graduating senior at a high school in the District of Columbia, Maryland, or Virginia or a recent GED graduate (within the past 4 years) residing in DC, Maryland or Virginia?</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I am a graduating senior</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I passed my GED exam within the last 4 years</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I am neither a graduating senior nor a recent GED graduate</p>
	<p>Certification and Submission</p>	<p>In 2020, was your family's total income (before taxes) less than \$100,000? Do not include the income(s) of you or your siblings-only include the income of your parents/guardians</p> <p><input type="radio"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="radio"/> No</p>

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Current city you live in

State

Maryland

Virginia

Washington D.C.

Zip Code

Phone Number (including area code)

Gender

Female

Male

Prefer Not to Identify

Age

City of Birth

5 word(s) left

Country of Birth

Select an answer

Number of Years in the United States

First Language Spoken

5 word(s) left

Other Languages Spoken

25 word(s) left

Parent/Guardian 1 (Select)

Mother

Stepmother

Father

Stepfather

Grandparent

Parent/Guardian 1's Highest Educational Attainment

Select an answer

Parent/Guardian 1's Highest Educational Attainment

Select an answer

What is this parent's current job?

10 word(s) left

Parent/Guardian 2 (if applicable, select) *(Optional)*

- Mother
- Stepmother
- Father
- Stepfather
- Grandparent

Does this parent live in the same household with you? *(Optional)*

- Yes
- No

Parent/Guardian 2's Country of Birth (skip if unknown) *(Optional)*

Select an answer

Parent/Guardian 2's Highest Educational Attainment *(Optional)*

- Less than high school
- Some high school
- High School
- Some College
- College degree
- Postgraduate degree

What is this parent's current job? *(Optional)*

10 word(s) left

Please remember that to be eligible for the scholarship, either you or both your biological parents have to have been born outside the United States. If you feel you need to explain eligibility further, please add more information below. Please also feel free to tell us anything else about your family circumstances that will help us understand you.

100 word(s) left

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Financial Need Section

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Please answer the following questions to the best of your knowledge. For the most accurate information, see **Box 1 (wages, tips, other comp)** for your parents' latest W2 or **Box 1 (wages, salaries, tips, etc)** from your parents' latest 1040 tax form. If your parents do not have these forms, please estimate income to the best of your ability.

Parent 1's Annual Income

Parent 2's Annual Income (if they live in the same household with you)

Your Annual Income (if none, write in 0)

Do any other family members (besides you or your parents) contribute to the family's income? An example would be an older sibling or a grandparent

Yes

No

How many people are in your household? (including yourself, your parents, siblings, grandparents, etc.)

What are the ages of the people in your household and their relationship to you? (ex. brother (10), grandmother (70), uncle (20))

50 word(s) left

Please include any additional information that might be helpful in explaining your family's financial situation (e.g., sending money back to relatives, siblings in college, health care expenses, change in employment status, change in living situation, etc.)

100 word(s) left

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College Plans Section

Scholarships	Welcome <i>Completed</i>	<p>You must provide a public college or university in this section. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL DISQUALIFY YOUR APPLICATION</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">If you are still undecided and/or waiting for a decision, please list a public college or university you are consideringWe have provided a list of local community colleges and four year public universities below. You are not limited to these schools, you can attend any public college or university in the United States. If you are considering a public college or university not on the list, please select "other" and then enter your anticipated public college or university.If you are unsure whether schools you are considering are public, please search on the internet (i.e., Google)
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Anticipated College or University

Other

Anticipated public college or university
10 word(s) left

School city
10 word(s) left

School state
Select an answer

Degree Pursuing

Associate's degree

Bachelor's degree

Anticipated Enrollment Date
(mm/dd/yyyy)

Anticipated Graduation Date
(mm/dd/yyyy)

Anticipated Major
10 word(s) left

Anticipated Career (Optional)
15 word(s) left

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High School Section

Scholarships Application	Welcome <i>Completed</i>	Current High School (GED students, please list where you currently live) <i>10 word(s) left</i> <input type="text"/>
	Eligibility	
	Biography	High School City <i>10 word(s) left</i> <input type="text"/>
	Financial Need	
	College Plans <i>In Progress</i>	High School State <input type="radio"/> DC <input type="radio"/> Maryland <input type="radio"/> Virginia
	High School	Date you enrolled in this high school <input type="text" value="(mm/dd/yyyy)"/> <input type="calendar"/>
	Extracurricular Activities	Date of graduation <input type="text" value="(mm/dd/yyyy)"/> <input type="calendar"/>
	Essays	High School GPA (If you are a GED student put down 0 and then upload your GED scores) <input type="text"/>
	Letters of Recommendation	What is your high school's GPA scale? (GED students enter 0.0) <input type="text" value="Select an answer"/>
	Certification and Submission	

Is your GPA weighted?
 Yes
 No

Please upload an unofficial transcript for your current school if you have one. If you are a GED student, please upload a copy of your GED scores.

Note: Transcripts often include personal information including social security number and contact information. If you wish, you can black out this information. We only require proof of grades.

Did you attend any other high schools?
 Yes
 No

Have you taken the following tests? (If you took a test multiple times, please provide the highest score for each sub-section)
 SAT
 ACT
 None of the above

Have you taken any IB, AP or the Sat Essay, or SAT subject tests?
 IB
 AP
 SAT subject
 SAT Essay
 None of the above

Extracurricular Activities Section

The screenshot shows a web application interface for a scholarship application. On the left is a sidebar with navigation links: Dashboard, Scholarships, and Application (highlighted). The main content area is titled 'Application' and contains a vertical list of steps: Welcome (Completed), Eligibility, Biography, Financial Need, College Plans (In Progress), High School, Extracurricular Activities (highlighted), Essays, Letters of Recommendation, and Certification and Submission. The 'Extracurricular Activities' section contains a question: 'Did you participate in any extracurricular activities, including clubs, sports, community service and volunteer projects, in the last 4 years?' with radio buttons for 'Yes' and 'No'. Below this, another question asks: 'Have you held any jobs, including summer employment, internships, and work taking care of family, in the last four years? (Please note that work can be paid or unpaid).' with radio buttons for 'Yes' and 'No'. A third question asks: 'Have you received any honors or awards, including those for academic achievement, extracurricular activities, or community service, in the last four years? For recurring awards, such as Dean's List, please list all dates together' with radio buttons for 'Yes' and 'No'. At the bottom of the main content area are three buttons: 'Previous Step', 'Next Step', and 'Submit Application'.

If applicant responds “yes” to any of the questions, the applicant will be asked to list their extracurricular activities, jobs and honors and awards.


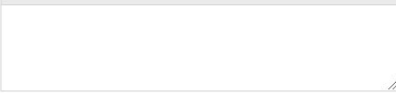
Essays Section

Dashboard

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Welcome <i>Completed</i>	Two essays are required. For the first one, we will give you the topic to write about; in the second, you can choose from four topics. We recommend essays be at least 250 words. Essays may not exceed 500 words each.
Eligibility	
Biography	Essays offer you an opportunity to share your story and to distinguish yourself as a candidate. Often, grammatical, spelling or punctuation mistakes take away from a candidate's message. We strongly advise you to write, edit, and save your essays in a word processing program such as Microsoft Word and then copy and paste the final text into this form. Formatting will not transfer.
Financial Need	
College Plans <i>In Progress</i>	
High School	In the first essay, describe your experience as an immigrant or a child of immigrants or how you exhibit one or more 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.
Extracurricular Activities	
Essays	Essay 1 500 word(s) left
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Please choose **one** of the following prompts for your second essay:

1. What are your career goals and why? How do you intend to achieve these goals?
2. What have you done that you are most proud of and why?
3. Other than a family member, who is a person that has been an inspiration to you?
4. If you could solve one issue in the world, the country, or your community, what would it be and how would you contribute to solving it?

Which essay did you pick?

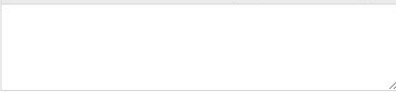
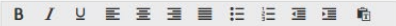
1: Career goals

2: Proud moment


3: Inspiration


4: Solve an Issue

Essay 2
500 word(s) left






Letters of Recommendation Section

 Scholarships	Welcome <i>Completed</i>	
	Eligibility	
	Biography	Two letters of recommendation are required. While we prefer that at least one letter be from a teacher or other school official familiar with your academic ability, under the special circumstances this year, both letters can be from any adult who knows you well, such as a mentor, coach, employer, community leader, or religious leader. Letters should describe the context in which the recommender knows you, your potential for success, and how you demonstrate one or more qualities traditionally valued by the immigrant community: hard work, resourcefulness, perseverance in the face of adversity, academic achievement, leadership, and commitment to one's community.
	Financial Need	Your recommenders must upload their letters to our website. We cannot accept letters by mail. Please use the buttons below to send your recommenders an email with instructions on how to upload their letters. To ensure receipt of this email, please inform each respondent about this email prior to the submission of your application. All letters must be uploaded by April 1, 2021 .
	College Plans <i>In Progress</i>	
	High School	
	Extracurricular Activities	Please list the individuals who will submit letters of recommendation on your behalf. You must provide an email address for each recommender. Please check with your recommenders that they received the e-mail from us. If they have not, let us know.
	Essays	You should submit your application after completing it even if your recommendations have not yet arrived. You can come back to this page any time to check whether we have received them.
	Letters of Recommendation	

 Certification and Submission	<p>Please request a letter of recommendation from</p> <p>Recipient First Name <input type="text"/></p> <p>Recipient Last Name <input type="text"/></p> <p>Recipient Email <input type="text"/></p> <p><input type="button" value="Send Request"/></p>
	<p>Please request a letter of recommendation from</p> <p>Recipient First Name <input type="text"/></p> <p>Recipient Last Name <input type="text"/></p> <p>Recipient Email <input type="text"/></p>

Message to Recipient

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One of your students is applying for a college scholarship from the Esperanza Education Fund and indicated that you would be willing to provide a recommendation letter.

We ask that your letter describe the context in which you know the applicant, their potential for success, and how they demonstrate one or more qualities traditionally valued by the immigrant community: hard work, resourcefulness,

Send Request

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