



Temecula Sister City Association
“Cindy La Prella” Student Cultural Exchange Travel Scholarship
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM REGULATIONS

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In order to further the Temecula Sister City Association’s (TSCA’s) objective of cultural exchange, we are proud to offer a travel scholarship to one deserving student. The scholarship covers the airfare and program fee for the Spring 2010 trip to Leischendam-Voorburg, The Netherlands.

A. Eligibility

1. Applicant must be a current high school student at Chaparral High School, Great Oak High School or Temecula Valley High School.
2. Applicant must exhibit leadership, citizenship and an interest in cultural exchanges.
3. Applicant must be able to attend most of the (TSCA) Cultural Club meetings to prepare you for your trip and teach you about the Dutch history, culture, daily life and values. Meetings will be held at the three high schools; days and times are yet to be determined.

B. Requirements

1. Submit a one page, typed, double-spaced essay on **“How Will This Scholarship Help Me Gain Global Understanding”** with this application.
2. Submit the *Report on Scholarship* (pg. 5) filled out by a non-related adult, in a leadership role, who knows you well (teacher, church leader, Scoutmaster).
3. Complete the application personally.
4. Provide a copy of most recent school transcripts.
5. Enclose **all** the items requested in the requirements and included forms.
 - a. Complete “Report on Scholarship Applicant” form
 - b. Copy of your high school transcript
 - c. Copy of your parents’/guardian’s 2008 - 1040 tax forms, summary pages only. No attachments please. This document will be used for proof of eligibility in the evaluation process and will be shredded when done. All information will be kept confidential.
6. Student exchange application and host application should be submitted directly to the Exchange Teacher at your high school by the designated deadline (See Exchange Teacher for deadline details). However, scholarship application should be mailed to:
TSCA: Scholarship, P.O. Box 904, Temecula, CA 92593-0904
7. Be advised that only applications postmarked by **September 3, 2009** will be considered. (TSCA is not responsible for lost or misdirected mail)
8. Submitting this application is in no way a guarantee that a scholarship will be granted. Final selection is at the sole discretion of TSCA.

9. All scholarship applications will be screened and the top 6 candidates will be interviewed in person. All other candidates will be notified by email by September 12, 2009. Interviews for the top 6 candidates will be scheduled for the evenings (6PM and after) on **Monday, September 14, 2009**. Candidates must be available that evening. They will be held at the Dalton Building, 41911 5th Street, #300 in Old Town, Temecula.
10. Selected applicant will be notified by September 15, 2009. He/she must accept or decline the scholarship within **24 hours of notification**.
11. The scholarship may be used solely for expenses for travel to Temecula's sister city and will be paid directly to the trip coordinator.

C. Expectations Recipients of the scholarships are expected to:

1. Fully participate as volunteers in TSCA activities. This includes participation in the Dutch American Heritage Day scheduled for November 7, 2009, with volunteer hours from 10 AM to 8 PM. Breaks will be provided.
2. Write a report (1 page maximum) and deliver a speech to the Temecula Valley Unified School District, City Council and TSCA Board of Directors. The report and speech should include what the recipient experienced, learned and gained from his/her time in Leischendam-Voorburg-Nakayama. This testimonial and the quotations may be incorporated in the organization's website, board member's speeches and other promotional materials with the sole intent to promote our organization, goals, vision and activities.
3. Attend the April 2010 Temecula Sister City Association Board of Directors meeting to submit their written report and deliver their speeches.

D. Procedures for Selecting Recipients

1. Notice of availability of and regulations governing this scholarship will be available at www.TemeculaSisterCityAssociation.org
2. Recipient will be awarded the scholarship at the October 20, 2009 Temecula Sister City Association board meeting, 6 PM, located at 41911 5th St # 300 Temecula, CA 92590 in Old Town.
3. All other factors being equal, financial need will be given preference.

COMMUNITY/CLUB ACTIVITY	School Grade Level	Participation/Position	Years involved

10. Were you unable to participate in school or community activities for any reason? If so, please explain. _____

11. Please provide the following information (if applicable):

WORK EXPERIENCE

Company	Dates (to-from)	Position/Duties

For the next four questions, if you need more space to write your answers by hand, feel free to use the back of the page. For inputs by computer, feel free to extend the spaces provided.

12. List any honors or special recognition you received both in and out of school.

13. What special interests, hobbies, and/or talents do you have? _____

14. Do you have a career objective? If so, what is it? _____

15. Please provide information that you feel will assist the committee in its selection.

The Scholarship Committee will be conducting a review to award the scholarship. The award will be based on extra curricular activities, leadership roles, essay, interview and financial need. By my signature, I do hereby certify, to the best of my knowledge that the information provided on this application is valid and accurate.

Should my child be awarded a scholarship, I hereby authorize the use of photographs of him/her at TSCA events and exchanges and any of his/her written testimonials of his/her experience during the trip to be used to promote the organization, its objectives, vision and activities.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____



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CONFIDENTIAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

The funds available for travel are set to cover airfare and program fee. Some out of pocket expense will be incurred by the traveler (approx. \$400-500). Please provide us with the following information about your family’s finances.

	Name	Occupation	Gross Monthly Income	Living in the Home?
Self				
Father				
Mother				
Guardian				

Please submit one copy of parents’/guardians’ 1040 tax form – summary pages only. No attachments please. This document will be used for proof of eligibility in the evaluation process and will be shredded when done. All information will be kept confidential.

State persons dependent upon the above income - include parents, dependent children, aged relatives and other as reported on income tax return.

Name and age: _____

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Please provide extenuating circumstances not given above that further shows your need for financial assistance.



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REPORT ON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT

The scholarship committee of the Temecula Sister City Association desires the following information concerning the qualifications of _____ who has applied for a scholarship. Any information you may give will be treated as confidential.

1. Your name (first, last). Please print: _____
2. What is your relationship to the applicant? _____
3. How long have you known the applicant? _____
4. On what terms do you base your estimate of the applicant? (Check all that apply)
 Personal acquaintance Work environment
 Personal observations Casual acquaintance School records
5. Has the applicant maintained adequate and sincere interest in his/her studies? _____
6. Is the applicant a leader in special activities in the school or community? _____
7. Please indicate your personal rating of the applicant.

Rating	Independence	Personality	Leadership	Character
Excellent				
Good				
Fair				
Poor				

8. Please state any further helpful information regarding this applicant.

9. May we contact you should we need elaboration on the above information? _____
 If so, what is your phone number? _____

Signed _____ E-mail address _____

**Please enclose this sheet in an envelope,
seal with tape and sign over tape for proof of confidentiality.**