



## **Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce**

### **Mayor Joe Serna, Jr. Scholarship**

## **2007 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

The purpose of the Mayor Joe Serna, Jr. Scholarship Program is to assist students to enroll in college. Students must be majoring in studies leading to a degree in business, computer science, education, engineering, health services or a program leading to a professional career. Student must also be of Hispanic heritage. The Mayor Joe Serna, Jr. Scholarships are available on a competitive basis for a minimum of \$1,000.00. Only graduating high school students are eligible to apply for a scholarship. Applicants must live in the following seven-county region: Sacramento, Amador, El Dorado, Placer, Sutter, San Joaquin, and Yolo. Applicants must apply for enrollment in a 2 or 4-year institution of higher education with a minimum of twelve units per semester or equivalent. The scholarship recipient must request that the college provide the SHCC with proof of enrollment in order to receive their funds. Scholarships will be awarded on May 11, 2007.

Applications will be sent to area high schools and may be picked up at the counselor's offices. They will also be available in the SHCC office and on the SHCC website at [www.sachcc.org](http://www.sachcc.org).

**NOTE:**

All applications will be reviewed by the Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce's Education Committee members.

#### ***Scholarships***

**Will be awarded at a reception to be held on May 11, 2007. If you are unable to attend this function due to circumstances beyond your control, you must submit a letter in writing to the Education Committee citing the reason for your absence one week prior to the reception, or your funds will be forfeited.**

#### ***Community Service Hours***

All scholarship recipients will be required to complete 30 community hours during Scholastic Year 2007-2008. By signing and accepting the Mayor Joe Serna, Jr. Scholarship, students commit to fulfilling this requirement.

**Applicant Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**THE APPLICATION DEADLINE IS March 23, 2007. APPLICATION FORMS WILL NOT BE PROCESSED IF RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE.**

**PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION**

<b>Applicant's Name</b>		
Last:	First:	Middle:
Mailing Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Home Telephone:	E-mail:	Birth Date: / /
Father's Name:		Occupation:
Mother's Name:		Occupation:
<b>High School Attended</b>		
School Name:		Year Graduating:
City:		
<b>Graduating High School Student</b>		
Male( ) Female( )		
<b>Name of college you plan to attend – Fall of 2006:</b>		
Major:		No. of units:
Do you speak a second language? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
If so, what language(s)?		
<b>Financial Resources</b>		
The Education Committee can evaluate your financial need only if it knows your financial resources. Complete this section with the anticipated financial support for your college education. List the sources and explain in your personal statement.		
Parents Gross Income: \$		Applicant's Income: \$
Other Scholarships: \$		Other: \$
Family Assistance (parents or spouse): \$		No. of family members in household:
Explain:		
I grant SHCC permission to release my information to other organizations for scholarship awarding purposes. Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>		
<b>Personal Statement:</b>		
Your typed personal statement is equivalent to an interview. Include a minimum two-page, not more than three-page, well thought-out personal statement. <b>Include:</b> 1) a brief history of your Hispanic cultural background; 2) personal achievements, (awards, recognitions, elected positions); 3) family economic and financial support needed; 4) academic career goals, 5) extra curricular activities; 6) significant hobbies or interests; 7) Community service involvement. <b>If your application does not include these items it will be disqualified.</b>		

**References:**

Two letters of recommendation are required, preferably from an employer, teacher, counselor, business or community person. The letters should comment on your academic potential, public service, financial need, leadership qualities, and other factors indicating your potential for future success.

**Transcript(s):**

A transcript of your high school work and any college work must accompany this application or be sent by the school to the Education Committee **no later than March 23, 2007.**

**BEFORE MAILING, REVIEW THESE IMPORTANT POINTS:**

- It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all materials are sent on time. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.
- All candidates will be notified, by mail, of their application status by the end of April 2007. **NO PRIOR ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS ARE MADE TO APPLICANTS AND ALL NOTIFICATIONS ARE FINAL.**

**APPLICATION PACKAGE SHOULD INCLUDE:**

- Application Form
- Personal Statement
- Transcript(s)\*
- Letters of Recommendation
- Wallet Size Photo (3 ½ x 2 ½) (To be used for the program)

\* Official Transcripts will be required before funds are disbursed.

**Mail or hand deliver your completed application to:**

Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce  
1491 River Park Dr., Suite #101  
Sacramento, CA 95815

**Certification**

All of the information on this form is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I hereby give permission to the Sacramento Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Education Committee to share this information for the purpose of recruitment, public relations and possible employment.

I further certify that I am in the process of enrolling as a full-time college student for the 2007-2008 academic year.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_