



HSA Scholarship 2009/2010

The Hmong Student Association (HSA) is a recognized organization created in 1994 by CSU, Chico Hmong students to promote cultural awareness, student support for Hmong students, and information on Hmong culture to the public. In the past few years, HSA has grown to adopt higher education as one of its main goals. HSA has educated the CSU, Chico community and the Chico community at large through presentations, collaborative plays with the local middle schools, and workshops. A couple of the most affective workshops for high school students are the college application and financial aid workshops. HSA works with leaders from CSU, Chico and other universities to provide better opportunities for higher education for the Hmong community.

The HSA Scholarship was designed by HSA members in order to support a potential future Hmong leader who wishes to pursue higher education. The \$200 scholarship will be awarded for either fall or spring semester to a student who is enrolled full-time at Chico State for the 2009-2010 academic year. The HSA scholarship will be disbursed through the CSU, Chico Financial Aid Office.

Eligibility

These are the requirements for the scholarships:

- 1) Be a Hmong student in the U.S. planning to attend Chico State for the 2009/2010 school year.
- 2) Have a 2.5 GPA or better.
- 3) Have the following sent to HSA:
 - Application
 - Unofficial transcript
 - One letter of recommendation from teachers at your school
 - Personal essay

Guidelines

1. Must be enrolled as a full time student at CSU, Chico before scholarship is awarded.
2. Application must be filled out completely or it will not be considered.
3. Personal essay must answer **one** of the following questions:
 - 1) How do you plan to give back to the Hmong community with higher education?
 - 2) What is your purpose for pursuing higher education?
 - 3) What is the Hmong community to you?

The essay needs to follow the requirements below:

- 2 pages maximum
- Times New Roman, 12 point font, double-spaced
- Choose one question and answer.
- Please do not put your name on your personal essay.

Application Deadline

Please send the package by **Friday, May 29th, 2009**, postmarked by 5:00 p.m., to be considered. Late applications and emails will not be accepted.

Send complete application package to:

Hmong Student Association #
California State University, Chico
400 West 1st Street
Chico, CA 95928

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Application

Part 1.

Name _____
Last First Middle

Local Address _____
Number Street
City Zip code

Permanent Address _____
Number Street
City Zip code

Phone () _____ Email _____

High School _____

Cumulative GPA: _____

Part 2.

Please list any extra curricular activities you've been involved in (clubs, sports, etc.).

Please list any volunteer experience you have.

Have you attended any of HSA's workshops or conferences? If so, which ones?

Part 3.

Student

I, _____, hereby give the Hmong Student Association at California State University, Chico my consent to access any of my school records to determine my eligibility for this scholarship. I have provided all information to the best of my knowledge and understand that my scholarship may not be rewarded if otherwise. I have read and understood all the eligibility requirements and guidelines.

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian (if student is under 18 years of age)

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