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Drug Abuse Education Scholarship Application Instruction

1. To be considered, applicants must be currently enrolled as a high school senior.
2. Applicants must have performed activity that demonstrates exemplary community service previous year. The community service can be performed at school or in the community and may include extracurricular activity as well as volunteer work.
3. Applicants must certify that he/she personally completed all sections of the application.
4. To receive appropriate consideration, responses should be well written, using proper grammar, sentence structure and punctuation. Correct spelling is also required. The reviewer of the application should be able to get a clear and concise understanding of what the student is trying to express.
5. In the applicant's participation in community service activities / programs, the following factors will be considered:
 - ❖ Specific role and degree of leadership
 - ❖ How long involved and hours spent
 - ❖ Impact or benefit of activity on those served
 - ❖ Materials developed
 - ❖ Initiation of innovative projects
6. Submit a letter from a school official certifying the applicant's GPA



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7. Two letters of recommendation must be included that attest to the applicant's participation in extracurricular activity, community service, or volunteer work. The letters must be signed, dated, and clearly identify the person making the recommendation. Letterhead stationary is preferred.

8. Provide one copy of a high school photograph, suitable for display on the foundation's website if selected as a winner.

9. Submission of a completed release form, authorizing the foundation to list your name and photograph on the foundation's website if selected as a winner.

Mail the completed application by March 16, 2009 to:

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Drug Abuse Education Scholarship Rating Criteria

The written documents should be well written, using proper grammar, sentence structure and punctuation. Correct spelling is also required. The reader of the submitted documents should be able to get a clear and concise understanding of what the applicant is trying to express.

1. Qualification. **20 possible points**. Review the applicant's response to question number one.

The applicant must clearly have demonstrated participation in a community service program. Service may have been in such areas as extracurricular activities, community service organizations, and/or volunteer service. The community service can take place at school or in the community. Reviewer should consider the applicant's response compared to the information provided in their letters of recommendations.

2. Personal Statement. **5 possible points**. Review the applicant's response to question number two.

The applicant's career and/or educational goals should be clearly stated. Applicants who have career or educational goals that will benefit their community or society should receive the highest ratings in this criteria.

3. Essay. **20 possible points**. The applicant must write a 350 word essay about what they would propose for an effective drug abuse education or prevention program for either their school or community. Such things as the degree of applicant involvement, materials to be developed, innovation of program, and overall likelihood of success should be taken into consideration.

4. Recommendations. **5 possible points**. Letters of recommendation should clearly address the applicant's degree of participation in community service activities.



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Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Telephone: _____ Email Address: _____

Social Security Number (optional): _____ Date of Birth: _____

Parent's (Guardian's) Name: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Name of High School: _____ Year in School: _____

Name of School Counselor: _____ Current GPA*: _____

School Address: _____
Street City State Zip

The Enrique S. Camarena Educational Foundation, Inc. is an all volunteer, 501 (c)(3) nonprofit, public benefit corporation dedicated to eradicating drug abuse among youth nationwide. The Foundation initiated its Drug Abuse Education Scholarship Program to recognize and support student participation in community service programs. Six \$1000 scholarships are awarded regionally each year.

*** The applicant must enclose a letter of certification from a school official attesting to the applicant's GPA.**

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1. Qualification

Participation in community service activities / programs is required in order to qualify for the scholarship. Please list your involvement in extracurricular activities, community service organizations, or volunteer service. Use a separate sheet of paper attached to this application, identifying your response as number one.

For each activity, provide the following: the name of the organization, a brief description, dates of participation, hours spent per week, your role/position in the organization, and a brief statement on the impact or benefit of this activity on you and/or the community. Please provide a contact name and telephone for each activity listed.

2. Personal Statement

Please tell us about yourself, your career goals, formal education plans, etc. Use a separate sheet of paper attached to this application, identifying your response as number two.

3. Essay

Please write a 350 word essay about one of the two topics and attach to this application. From your submission, we should be able to get a clear and concise understanding of your proposal. Use a separate sheet of paper attached to this application, identifying your response as number three.

3a. What would you propose for an effective educational drug abuse prevention program for your school?

Or:

3b. What would you propose for an effective educational drug abuse prevention program for your community?

4. Recommendations

Please include two letters of recommendation from people who have knowledge and can comment on the degree of your participation in community service activities / programs to include extracurricular activity, community service, or volunteer work. The letters should be signed, dated, and indicate the person's address and position. Letterhead stationery is preferred. **The two letters of recommendation are in addition to the letter certifying your GPA.**



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Declaration:

I certify that all information in this application is true and that I have completed all sections myself.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parental/Guardian Consent Form for Posting Photograph on Internet

This parental consent form requests permission for the applicant's photo/image, name and hometown to be published on the Enrique S. Camarena Educational Foundation website, **www.camarenafoundation.org**.

We want to celebrate your child and his or her accomplishments by announcing and publishing the scholarship winners on our website.

I/We GRANT permission for this applicant/student's photo/image, and name to be published on the foundation web site.

Name of Parent/Guardian: (print)

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____