

**Amigos en Cristo † Friends in Christ
Scholarship Program
2011**

Scholarship Program Rules

Purpose of the Amigos en Cristo † Friends in Christ Scholarship Program

Amigos en Cristo † Friends in Christ is committed to the role of advancement and education in our personal and Christian lives. The Amigos en Cristo Scholarship Program is intended to celebrate and reward the leadership and scholarly achievement of our young Hispanic people and to contribute to the spirit and well being of the Hispanic Community.

Terms of the Program

In recognition of demonstrated leadership and accomplishments outside the classroom as well as academic performance, Amigos en Cristo will grant individual financial scholarships up to \$1,000.00 to selected students who meet the eligibility requirements of the Amigos en Cristo Scholarship Program.

Eligibility Criteria

To apply, an applicant must be a registered parishioner in the Arlington Diocese, of Hispanic descent, and must be attending or accepted as a student in a post-secondary, accredited, two or four year college or university program.

Application Process

Eligible students are invited to complete the application and highlight involvement in the world beyond the classroom – Church, arts, music, environmental stewardship, community service, athletics, and academic performance. A personal essay is also required. Please complete the attached essay form and include it with your application. If additional space is required, continue on an additional sheet of paper. Additionally, the Amigos en Cristo † Friends in Christ Scholarship Committee (the Committee) requests two references, i.e. counselor, teacher, employer, pastor, etc. (not a parent or relative) – to comment on the applicant's character and/or academic performance. Please provide contact information for these references. The Committee will contact the references provided in the application.

Application forms and complete program rules can be obtained by emailing: AmigosenCristo@verizon.net, or by going to the St. Mary of Sorrows web site at <http://www.stmaryofsorrows.org/> and looking at [Scholarships](#), or a hard copy may be picked up at the Parish Center office.

St. Mary of Sorrows Catholic Church
Attention: Amigos en Cristo † Friends in Christ Scholarship Program 2011
5222 Sideburn Rd.
Fairfax, VA 22032

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Applications and personal essays must be signed and submitted either electronically or by mail. Electronic submissions should be sent to AmigosenCristo@verizon.net. Paper applications and personal essays must be mailed to:

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Fairfax, VA. 22032.

Please note that official transcripts of grades must be submitted. On line transcripts and grade reports are not acceptable. Students currently enrolled in college must include all college transcripts. High school seniors and students who have completed less than one full quarter or semester of post-secondary education must include a high school transcript.

Application Deadline

The application must be received not later than May 15, 2011 to be considered.

Selection Process

The Committee will select award recipients on the basis of demonstrated leadership, active involvement in civic and/or religious activities, and academic performance. The Committee will review all applications for final approval. Selected award recipients will be notified by the end of May.

Obligations

Award recipients must enroll in an accredited two or four year college or university no later than the fall of the year in which their scholarship is granted. Proof of enrollment must be provided to the Committee.

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Please type or print all information except signatures.

Applicant Information:

Last Name _____ First _____ Middle Initial _____

Permanent Home Mailing Address _____ Apartment # _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Social Security # or TIN _____

Telephone _____ E-Mail Address _____

Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Arlington Diocese Parish: _____

High School: _____ Graduation Date: Month _____ Year _____

City _____ State _____ Telephone _____

Name of Post Secondary school that you plan to attend or are attending. (If unknown, please list in order or preference the schools to which you have been accepted.)

School Name _____ City _____ State _____

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Years in College Completed: 0 1 2 3 4 5 (Circle One)

Major or Course of Study _____

References i.e. counselor, teacher, employer, pastor, etc (not a parent or relative).

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

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Amigos en Cristo has the sole responsibility for selecting recipients based on criteria as set forth in the programs rules. This application becomes property of Amigos en Cristo † Friends in Christ Scholarship Program.

I acknowledge that decisions of Amigos en Cristo regarding the Amigos en Cristo † Friends in Christ Scholarship Program are final. I certify that I meet the basic eligibility requirements of the program as described in the program description and that the information provided in this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. If requested, I agree to provide proof of the information that I have given on this form. Falsification of information may result in the immediate return of any scholarship granted.

Applicants Signature _____ Date _____

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In 500 words or less explain why you, as a Hispanic, think you deserve this scholarship.

Name: _____.