**The New Mexico Coalition of School Administrators**

**Scholarship Award Criteria**

The New Mexico Coalition of School Administrators will award two $3000.00 scholarships to New Mexico high school seniors who will be entering a college or university.

**CRITERIA FOR APPLICATION AND SELECTION OF CANDIDATES**

1. Candidate must be a graduating senior from any public high school in the state of New Mexico.

2. Candidate must have a GPA of 3.0 or better for consideration.

1. Preference will be given to those entering the field of education. (Teacher, Counselor, School Business Official etc.)
2. Interviews with each of the top five candidates will be conducted by the Selection Committee in April.

**APPLICATION PROCESS: Submit the following completed documents.**

1. The Scholarship Application Form (signed by a HS official).

2. High School Transcript

3. Two letters of recommendation from teachers and/or school administrators.

4. A typed essay (at least 300 words) by student outlining their reasons for entering the field of education.

Mail to:

NMCSA

COE, MSC05 3040

1 UNM

Albuquerque, NM 87131

Phone: 277-6986

Email: nmcsa@unm.edu

Website: <http://www.unm.edu/~nmcsa/>

Deadline: In the NMCSA office no later than *February 14, 2012*.

**Late and/or incomplete application packets will not be accepted.**

**NMCSA Scholarship
Guidelines**

1. The applicant must be academically strong with a G.P.A of 3.0 or better.

2. The applicant should be a well-rounded student participating in diversified activities in both school and the community.

3. The applicant must be a graduating senior from a public high school in the state of New Mexico, without regard to race, ethnicity or gender.

4. Applications must be in the NMCSA office by no later than *February 14, 2012*, to be considered.

5. Selection Committee will consist of 5 members, four of whom must be members of NMCSA. One shall be a member of the NMCSA Executive Board.

6. The committee will be facilitated by an NMCSA staff member.

7. The applicants will be rated on the Application Form, References and Typed Essay.

8. Interviews with the Selection Committee will take place in April for the top candidates. Expenses will be paid for candidates who live further than a 100-mile radius from Albuquerque.

9. The recipients of the scholarship will be notified in writing no later than May 9, 2012. All other applicants will be notified by mail of the decision of the selection committee no later than May 31, 2012.

10. The recipients must be enrolled as a full time student, in a college or university of their choice, in the fall of the school year after graduation.

11. Two scholarships in the amount of $3000 will be awarded to the successful applicants at the annual Awards Luncheon at the NMCSA July conference.

12. The scholarship will be payable to the student in three payments, one in Fall, one in Winter and one the following Fall after proof of enrollment is submitted.

13. The scholarship will be forfeited if the student does not begin college or university classes during the fall semester, or leaves after the first semester. Any remaining scholarship money will be awarded to the next qualified applicant.

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

**NEW MEXICO COALITION OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS**

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Please attach your essay, two letters of reference,

and any other supporting documentation that you think is appropriate or applicable.

To be completed by school official:

Applicant’s G.P.A. \_\_\_\_\_ ACT or SAT Composite Score \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

HS Principal or designee’s name (please print)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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