



“SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION”

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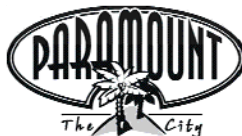
Thank you for your interest in the PEP Scholarship. Our goal is to make education beyond high school financially accessible to all students in the City of Paramount. PEP is a collaborative effort between the City of Paramount, Paramount Unified School District, and the Paramount Chamber of Commerce.

We are proud to offer various scholarships: \$1,000 for students attending a community college; \$3,000 for students attending a California State University, including vocational/trade/technical schools; and \$4,000 to students attending a University of California or an accredited private university. Scholarship monies may only be used to pay tuition, fees, books and supplies for the 2019-2020 school year.

Information for the 2020 PEP Scholarship is enclosed in this packet. Please review the instructions carefully before submitting the application. In order to be eligible to receive a scholarship, you must complete and submit all requested material.

The application must be delivered on or before **February 14, 2020** to the address below:

Attention: PEP Scholarship Committee
Paramount Education Partnership, Inc.
16400 Colorado Avenue
Paramount, CA 90723
Phone: (562) 220-2121
Email: srosales@paramountcity.com



PEP Scholarship

Requirements and Helpful Information

If you are selected as a PEP Scholarship Recipient for the 2019-2020 school year, you have one year to claim your scholarship or it will be revoked. If for any reason you need an extension, we urge you to contact us immediately to make special arrangements.

MANDATORY REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be a City of Paramount resident or Paramount Unified School District student
- Have a high school diploma or General Education Development (GED) once you are awarded.
- Possess a total weighed GPA of at least 2.0 (Students who have a lower GPA are encouraged to apply for the Community College Scholarship, if they can demonstrate academic improvement two consecutive years.
- If selected you will be required to submit proof of enrollment.
- Include a full copy of FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR's)
- Scholarship intended for students working on a Certificate and/or AA and first Bachelor's Degree.

ESSAY INSTRUCTIONS:

In essay form, please respond to the following question as is applicable to your situation and/or experience:

- How would receiving a PEP Scholarship help you in achieving your goals?

Your essay must:

- Be typed in Times New Roman 12 point font
- Have 1" margins
- Be double-spaced
- Be coherent, organized, and free of spelling and grammatical errors
- Be in the first-person
- Be no more than 2 pages

REQUIRED FORMS:

- Application Form
- Financial Analysis Sheet
- Student Essay Form
- Copy of transcripts (Does not need to be official)
- Proof of college acceptance or proof of enrollment in classes is required once you are awarded
- Copy of Student Aid Report

HELPFUL INFORMATION:

- We encourage you to review the criteria by which you will be scored
- Be sure to review your essay for correct grammar and punctuation
- INCOMPLETE applications will be DISQUALIFIED

If you are awarded the PEP Scholarship, you are required to cash your check; otherwise you are at risk of forfeiting your award. Also, please understand that this money is awarded to you by the Paramount Education Partnership, Inc., a 501(c)(3) organization.

Requirements and Helpful Information
Applicant Assigned Identification Number: _____

Name _____ Student College ID # _____

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Email Address _____

Age _____ GPA _____ Past PEP scholarship recipient? _____ If so, what year? _____

Employed? _____ If so, Where? _____ If so, how many hours do you work? _____

What College/Univeristy will you be attending? _____

What Elementary School did you attend? _____

What Middle School did you attend? _____

What High School did you attend? _____

Professional Career or Major in College? _____

Provide a list of school activities, specifically identifying those with leadership responsibility.

List any community service: _____

List any awards, honors or scholarships: _____

Employed? _____ Where? _____ Hours Per Week? _____

I certify that all statements made in this application are true. Furthermore, I agree and understand that any misrepresentation or omission of a material fact may be justification for rejection of my award.

Student Signature

Date

Parent Signature

Date

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Financial Analysis Sheet

_____ Semester _____ Quarter _____
 Campus (Attending- 1st Choice)

FAMILY INFORMATION (Please be accurate)

Total Household Members (Including you) _____
 Number of household members currently in college/university _____
 Family Annual Income \$ _____

COST ANALYSIS (Please don't inflate the cost)

Registration per Year \$ _____
 Books/Fees per Year (Estimated) \$ _____
 Housing (Dorms/Rent) \$ _____
Total Annual Cost: \$ _____

FINANCIAL AID ASSISTANCE (Include copy of Student Aid Report (SAR) from FAFSA).

Have you applied for Financial Aid? (Please check a box) Yes No

* If yes, amount of Awards:

Grants: \$ _____
 Loans: \$ _____
 Work Study: \$ _____
 EFC
 (Expected Family Contribution): \$ _____
 Total: \$ _____

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Cost: _____
Awards: _____
Unmet Need: _____

Scholarship applied to:
 _____ \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____

Scholarships received:
 _____ \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____
 _____ \$ _____

I certify that the information listed above is complete and accurate. I understand that this scholarship is based on Financial Need. I understand and agree that if my financial need changes, so will my PEP Scholarship award.

Student Signature: _____ **Date:** _____