

Sean Michael Merriman Memorial Scholarship 2021 Criteria

Description of Award:

A \$1,000 scholarship will be given to **ten** graduating high school students per year from Mt. Madonna Continuation High school in Gilroy, California.

Award Criteria:

- The students must be of legal residents of the United States.
- The students must have a positive attitude towards education and a minimum 2.0 Grade Point Average.
- This award is to be used for tuition, dormitory, meals, and educational expenses included in the cost of attending an educational institution
- This scholarship can be used at any four-year university, two-year community or junior college, or a trade school.
- All scholarship payments on behalf of the winning students must be claimed by December 31, 2021, or it will be forfeited.

Method of Selection:

- Each year Gilroy Foundation will notify Mt. Madonna Continuation High School of the availability of the Scholarship Award.
- The applications will be available from Gilroy Foundation website in January of each year.
- **Application Deadline is Friday, March 5, 2021. Completed applications must be emailed to dpray@gilroyfoundation.org**
- The selection of the students will be evaluated and determined by Gilroy Foundation Scholarship Selection Committee.
- The winning students will be notified by mail in April of each year.
- It will be the responsibility of the winning students to provide proof of registration (student ID Number for college or trade school) to Gilroy Foundation. Upon receipt of Student ID# and new school address, the Foundation will send the financial award to the school on behalf of the winning student. Awards must be redeemed by **December 31, 2021**.

Sean Michael Merriman Memorial Scholarship
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Sean Michael Merriman Memorial Scholarship Application
Mt. Madonna Continuation High School

2021 Application Form

Please print legibly or type:

Date of Application: _____

Name of applicant: _____ SSN # _____
LAST FIRST MIDDLE

Mailing address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____ Home phone: _____ Cell phone: _____

Email Address: _____ Are you a legal resident of the U.S.A.? _____

Name of parents or guardians: _____

Address of parents or guardians: _____

Occupation of parents or guardians: _____

List all family members in your household. Include yourself, parents, siblings & others.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Age, School or Occupation. Contains 5 empty rows for data entry.

State amount of financial assistance you will receive from parents or others during the college/trade school year(s):

Will you live at home? Yes [] No [] If not, where? _____

Plan to work while attending college? Yes [] No [] If yes, how many hours? _____

Are you currently working? Yes [] No [] If yes, how many hours per week? _____

Work experience in which you have engaged, giving approximate periods, dates, and employer names.

Employer	Dates / Periods	Position(s)

Community or School activities in the last three years. Please list all extracurricular activities, such as volunteer work for Gilroy Garlic Festival, clubs, athletic participation, etc.

Organization	Dates	Extracurricular Activities

High School – Please indicate name of school, dates of attendance and cumulative GPA.

Name of High School(s)	Dates	Cumulative GPA

What college or school do you plan to attend? _____

What colleges or schools have you been accepted to? _____

What will be your major? _____

List four (4) references: Two (2) may be high school staff members; please NO relatives.

Name(s)	Address

PERSONAL STATEMENT: On a separate sheet, please provide a **typed** one-page essay about yourself explaining your educational objective and future career goals. Be sure to indicate your talent, skills, community involvement, volunteer work, personal challenges, etc. and why you are deserving of this scholarship.

1. The student must email to dpray@gilroyfoundation.org by 5 p.m. Friday, March 5, 2021:
 - The completed application and the Personal Statement.
 - A copy of student's unofficial transcript.
2. The person completing the High School Recommendation Form, must email it to dpray@gilroyfoundation.org by 5 p.m. Friday, March 5, 2021.
3. The student's employer, other school staff person or volunteer supervisor must email a **letter of recommendation** to dpray@gilroyfoundation.org by 5 p.m. Friday, March 5, 2021.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE: 5 p.m. on Friday, March 5, 2021.

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Sean Michael Merriman Memorial Scholarship Mt. Madonna Continuation High School

(Made available through the Gilroy Foundation)

2021 High School Recommendation Form

Student, please note: This recommendation form must be filled out by a teacher, principal or counselor. That person must email the completed form to dpray@gilroyfoundation.org by 5 p.m. Friday, March 5, 2021.

Student's Name:

Description of Award:

A \$1,000 scholarship will be given to nine graduating high school students at Mt. Madonna Continuation High School this year.

Award Criteria:

- The student must be a legal resident of the United States
- The student must have a positive attitude towards education and a minimum 2.0 Grade Point Average.
- This award is to be used for tuition, educational, and living expenses included in the cost of attending an educational institution. We encourage its use for nontaxable purposes as specified in the Revenue Act of 1986, which includes paying for tuition, books, fees and/or equipment needed for course work.

How long have you known this student?

How well do you consider you personally know the applicant? (Choose one)

Very Well []

Fairly well []

Not very well []

Slightly []

Please rate all areas in which you feel you have adequate knowledge of the student. Check one box for each area and provide an overall recommendation.

	Outstanding (Top 5%)	Excellent (Top 10%)	Good (Top 25%)	Average	Marginal	Inadequate Knowledge
Ability						
Academic Achievement						
Leadership						
School Service						
Community Service						
Employment Record						
Overall Recommendation						

Comments: In this section, please provide all pertinent information you have regarding the applicant, including character traits and qualities (attach separate page, if necessary).

Name (Please Print): _____

Relationship to applicant: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

**Note: Please provide to student in order to meet
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION DEADLINE of March 5, 2021**