

Alexandra Thomas Memorial Scholarship

The Alexandra Thomas Memorial Scholarship was created in the hope that Alex's influence may live on in the lives of those who share her unique abilities and perspective. **Alex was a 2007 graduate of Northridge High and was the recipient of the Utah State Sterling Scholar Award in Social Sciences that year.** She was passionate about education and took every opportunity to acquire knowledge and understanding. She could grasp complex subjects with apparent ease. She loved history and literature and could often be found enjoying a thick Russian novel. She was a liberal to the core and reeled from the injustice she saw in the past as well as the present. Her heroes included Martin Luther King Jr., Nelson Mandela, and Noam Chomsky.

The scholarship recipient must share Alex's thirst for knowledge and passion for justice. We are looking for an exceptional individual who doesn't necessarily play by the rules. You are invited to help carry Alex's legacy forward. If you are up to the task, we want to help by awarding you the Alexandra Thomas Memorial Scholarship.

Eligibility:

- Graduating senior from Northridge High School
- 3.5 cumulative GPA or higher
- Declared Interest in a career in Social Sciences or English/Literature
- For use at any college or university

Applicant Requirements:

- Complete Student Information Form
- Sign Photo Release
- 2 letters of recommendation from past or present Social Studies or English teachers
 - To be considered, the letters must be specific to this scholarship, and the recommender is asked to specify why the applicant is a good fit for this scholarship.
- Complete 2 essays:
 1. Describe something for which you have a passion (e.g. social issues, government topics, historical topics, etc.), and describe what you have done to become involved with that passion, and how you plan to continue that involvement. This essay should be typed, double-spaced, and 2 pages in length.
 2. What is your favorite book? How has that book influenced you?
This essay should be typed, double-spaced, and 2 pages in length.
- Official copy of your most recent high school transcript
- Photograph (your photograph may be used for publicity purposes, so we need a 5x7 original)

The 2016 Alexandra Thomas Memorial Scholarship is a \$2500 award.

Applications will be accepted if received no later than 2:30 pm on April 29, 2022 in the Northridge High School Counseling Office.

Student Personal Information Form

Full Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Birth date: _____

Email address: _____

Sex: _____M _____F

College or University to attend: _____

Intended field of study: _____

Career Goals: _____

Did you or someone you know have an association with Alexandra Thomas or her family? This can include your parents, teachers, friends, etc. This information will not influence the application selection.

Yes _____ No _____

If yes, how? _____

As parent/guardian of _____, I hereby grant permission for my student to be included in any publications or media for the Alexandra Thomas Memorial Scholarship. I authorize the Alexandra Thomas Memorial Scholarship team to publish my student's name, photograph, achievements, and excerpts from the application essays to any blog, Facebook page, or other publications intended for advertising or celebration of this scholarship.

I hereby release Alexandra Thomas Memorial Scholarship (and its committee/team members) from any liability associated with the Webpage and media coverage stated above.

Parent Signature

Date

Student Signature

Date