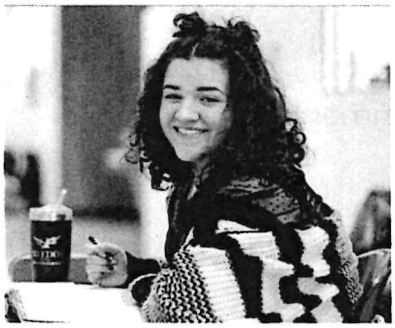
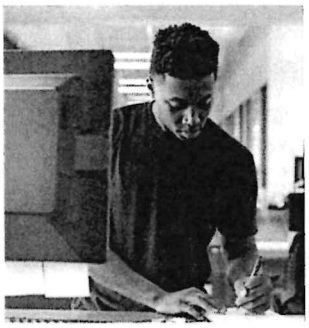
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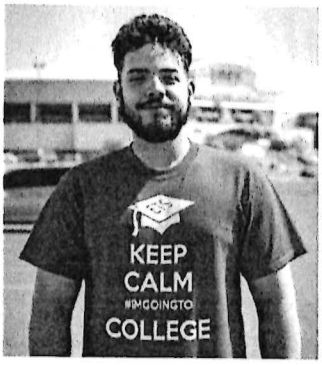
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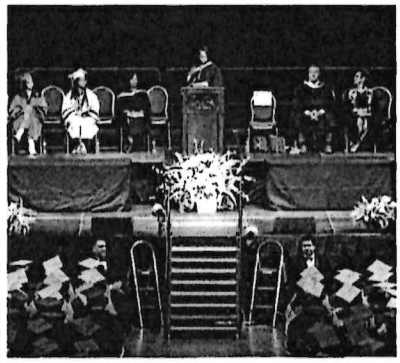
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- ✔ Visit: ***thepef.org/apply-for-scholarships/***
- ✔ Click: ***"Apply For Scholarships"***
- ✔ Click: ***"Begin"***
- ✔ Have your resume, transcript, financial need letter, letters of recommendation, and other documents ready before you start your application!
- ✔ Enter email address and create password (use non-CCSD email)
- ✔ Complete the General Application and Click ***"Submit"***
- ✔ Review all opportunities listed to see what you qualify for
- ✔ Narrow down opportunities using Key Words (College Major, Schools Attended, Sports, Music, Etc.)
- ✔ Click: ***"Begin"*** for opportunities you want to apply for
- ✔ Complete individual applications and click ***"Submit"*** - You have not applied for scholarships until you complete this step!

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CLARK HIGH SCHOOL
Student Information Sheet

If requesting a Counselor Recommendation for college and/or scholarship applications please complete this form and return it to the Counseling Office with the rest of your application packet. This form needs to be completed only once. Each counselor keeps this form on file. **PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE.**

NAME_____ DATE_____
(LAST) (LEGAL FIRST) (Preferred Name)

1. Briefly describe your plans after graduation (college, college program of study, military, career, etc).

2. List any colleges/universities you are considering and what they offer that makes them attractive to you.

3. List clubs, activities, and service organizations you have participated in at **high school**.

Name of club, activity, or service organization	Grade (s) of participation (circle all that apply)	List any leadership role
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4. List non-school activities (community, religious, employment, etc.).

Name of non-school activity	Length/Grade(s) of participation	List any leadership role

COMPLETE INFORMATION ON THE REVERSE SIDE *

5. List any honors and awards you have received in or out of **high school**

Name of Honor/Award	Description	Year Received

6. Three words that best describe you: _____, _____, _____

7. Please write a short general statement about your strengths (address both personal & academic).

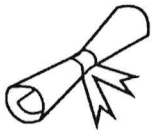
8. Have you had any other experiences that I should know about? Any personal challenges or obstacles you've overcome?

9. If you were to write your own recommendation, what would you say in your first paragraph that would prompt your reader to read on?

10. Describe an incident in which you demonstrated strong character (loyalty, integrity, self-discipline, kindness, commitment to high ideals, caring for others, respect for diversity, etc.). Think outside the box—not just "cheating is not the answer."

11. If you had a motto to live by, what would it be and why? Don't forget the WHY and remember—Show, don't tell.

ATTACH ADDITIONAL PAPER IF NECESSARY. A RESUME CAN BE ATTACHED AS WELL.



IMA STUDENT

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PERSONAL SUMMARY

I am a strong leader, exceptional communicator and quick learner in the rigorous Pre-Medical and Emergency Medical Technician Magnet Program at Achievement High School. I enjoy volunteering in my community to help others succeed. I am highly driven and motivated, as expressed through my organizations, clubs and extra-curricular activities. My career goal is to become a medical doctor dedicated to helping patients with mental illness.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- Dance Studio, Assistant Dance Teacher, 2018 – Present
- Mathnasium, Math Tutor, 2017 – 2018
- Smith's Grocery, Cashier, 2015 – 2016

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- Habitat for Humanity, 2017 – 2018
- Homeless Shelter, 2017
- Community Gatherings, 2015 – 2016
- Homework Club, 2014 – 2015
- Best Buddies, 2014 – 2015

LEADERSHIP ROLES

- Facilities Officer – JROTC, 2018
- Flight Commander – JROTC, 2018
- Captain – Men's Varsity Golf, 2016
- Class Representative – Key Club, 2016

REFERENCES

Mr. First Reference
English Teacher
567 School Drive
Las Vegas, Nevada 89123
702-234-5678

Ms. Second Reference
Dance Teacher
890 Ballet Court
Las Vegas, Nevada 89123
702-345-6789

EDUCATION

Achievement High School, 2018 - Present

- Advanced Honors Diploma, 2019
- GPA: 4.0 Cumulative
- Class Rank: 39/329
- ACT: 32
- SAT: 1250

Pinellas High School, 2016 - 2018

ACTIVITIES

- Dance, 2018 – Present
- Piano, 2018
- Seminary, 2017 – 2018
- Robotics, 2016
- HS Cross Country, 2016

KEY SKILLS

- Graphic Design
- Web Development
- Keyboarding
- Leadership
- CPR Certified
- Creative Thinking

AWARDS

- Varsity Letter, Men's Golf, 2018
- U.S. Naval Academy STEM Leadership Participant, 2017
- Student of the Quarter, 2016
- Academic Medal Award Recipient, 2016
- National Junior Honor Society, 2016 - 2018

Personal Statement

I am a strong leader, exceptional communicator and quick learner in the rigorous Graphic Design Program at the Achievement Career and Technical Academy. I enjoy volunteering in my community to help others succeed.

My career goal is to utilize my skills and talent to become a special effects animator in our community.

Community Service

- Switch
- Homelessness Backpack Event
- Three Square Food Bank
- Project 150
- Homework Club
- Opportunity Village
- American Red Cross
- Nevada PEP
- Ronald McDonald House

Skills

- Graphic Design
- Web Development
- Photoshop
- Illustrator
- Adobe Creative Suite
- Problem Solving

Extracurricular Activities

- Robotics Club
- Band
- Key Club
- Digital Art and Design Club
- Best Buddies
- Yearbook Committee

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Work Experience

- Switch, Intern, 2019 – Present
- Costco Wholesale, Cashier, 2017 – 2018

Education

- Achievement Career and Technical Academy
- Anticipated Graduation: Spring 2020
- GPA: 3.25 Cumulative
- Class Rank: 203/737
- Graphic Design Coursework:
  - Graphic Design
  - Video Editing
  - Web Design
  - Web Development
  - Video and Motion Graphics

Awards and Accolades

- Robotics Club, Regional Championship, 2019
- Yearbook Designer of the Year, 2019
- Student of the Month, 2018

Leadership Roles

- President – Digital Art and Design Club, 2019 – Present
- Class Representative – Key Club, 2017

References

Mr. First Reference
Website Design Teacher
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Mrs. Second Reference
School Counselor
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The Financial Need Letter

Some scholarships require applicants to show that they have a financial need that may affect their college or vocational school enrollment. A financial need letter is your chance to explain to donors why you need financial assistance for post-secondary education. Specific financial information is great, but it is not required. Please do not provide tax documents, pay stubs, etc. with your application.

Below are some examples of high-quality student financial need letters. These are EXAMPLES and any applications using these materials will be removed from consideration.

Sample Letter - Student A

Hello, my name is Student A and I am a first-generation child in my family. I have been in and out of foster homes my whole life since I was a baby. Finally I found a foster home that I can age out of comfortably. This scholarship money would be life-changing by helping me pay for my everyday needs with school and casual living. I will not be getting financial assistance by any family members or peers. This money will really help me stop being a burden on my foster family and will help me feel more comfortable living on my own. Although I will still be working to save up money for my future, this money can help me focus on school and buy things like food, clothes, furniture and lots more when I age out. I currently pay for insurance and gas myself to get me to and from work and school. This scholarship money will help me pay for my needed financial expenses. I am really committed to completing college and having a bright future, this scholarship will help me take this huge step in my life.

Sample Letter - Student B

As a newly admitted freshman, I hope to take advantage of my university's plentiful resources and opportunities during my four years in school. My tuition will cost around $10,000 each year, and I will also have additional expenditures such as $4,000 each year on health insurance in the state and $6,000 per year for housing on-campus.

While I am grateful to have been accepted, I do face some financial challenges with affording these costs. As the child of a single mother who works very hard to provide for our family, I am not anticipating receiving much financial help from family to pay for college. My mother also supports my older brother, who is currently a sophomore in college, and any funds for college expenses will be shared between us. I am seeking out different financial aid options like scholarships and federal aid so my mother does not have to feel pressured to pay for both of our costs. In addition to applying for financial aid, I am planning to get a tutoring job on campus and work through summers and breaks at my restaurant server job here in Las Vegas to help pay for tuition and other fees.

Any scholarships I receive would be greatly appreciated, however, as I would love to spend my time out of classes studying to get good grades and enriching myself by participating in on-campus activities. Without scholarship support, I may have to take out loans which can set me back for decades, or consider transferring to a lower-cost school, which may not have my specialized major and the many resources that my current university offers. I promise you, this scholarship will not go to waste if I am lucky enough to receive it.

Sample Letter - Student C

To the scholarship committee, Hello. My name is Student C and I am a first-generation son of Korean immigrants, Mom C and Dad C, who owned a Japanese restaurant in Las Vegas. My parent's health took a great toll as they were working for 12+ hours daily for 20 years in their restaurant. My dad was diagnosed with severe atherosclerosis and labile diabetes and was required to be hospitalized. Our family's restaurant had already taken a great toll due to the pandemic, and we were forced to sell it due to my family's health problems. The medical bills were too expensive here in the US without great insurance, and so our family spent 5 months in Korea at a relative's home where the costs would be cheaper. However, the medical bills still took a great toll on our family's financial situation. My father underwent three surgeries, and still requires two more and so the cost of college was always a huge concern for my family. Our family income last year was $68,209 for a family of five, but this was also because we sold some property that we used to own as a last resort. As a first-generation student, I've been accepted to Harvard's Class of 2026 and would be the first in my family to attend college. However, due to my father's medical bills and failing finances from my parents' restaurant, I'll be unable to attend Harvard or pursue post-secondary education without scholarships. I am also a triplet and my siblings are also looking to attend college, making tuition an even greater barrier. Furthermore, I have great aspirations to attend medical school and become a physician and any amount of scholarship would be of great help for me to pursue my passions and my goals of becoming a cardiac surgeon in the future. Throughout high school, I've taken advantage of every academic opportunity presented to me and have been able to achieve many of my goals. I can't wait to see what potential I'll have with the resources of a university like Harvard, but money is a great obstacle that may prevent me from reaching my potential before I have even started college. I'd be truly blessed to earn this scholarship to be the first in my family to go to college and continue to be proactive and innovative to solve the problems I am most passionate about. Sincerely, Student C

NEED HELP WITH COLLEGE APPLICATIONS, FAFSA, OR SCHOLARSHIPS?

GET HELP WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15 & WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

- **Located in Room 200.**
- **Use the Pennwood Ave Parking Lot**

3:00 PM-5:00 PM: OPEN WORKSHOP

COME FOR ASSISTANCE WITH PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP, CSN APPLICATION (WITH FEE WAIVER), UNLV, UNR, AND THE PEF SCHOLARSHIP. (MEET PRIORITY DEADLINES)

5:00 PM-7:00 PM: FAFSA WORKSHOP

GET HELP SETTING UP YOUR FAFSA ACCOUNT AND COMPLETING THE STUDENT AND PARENT(CONTRIBUTOR) PARTS.

WHAT TO BRING:

- **SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (IF APPLICABLE)**
- **A PERSONAL EMAIL ADDRESS**
- **2024 TAX RETURN**

RSVP @

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CONSIGUE AYUDA EL MIÉRCOLES 15 DE OCTUBRE Y EL MIÉRCOLES 19 DE NOVIEMBRE.

- SITUADO EN LA HABITACIÓN 200.
- UTILIZA EL APARCAMIENTO DE PENNWOOD AVE.

15:00-17:00: TALLER ABIERTA

SOLICITA AYUDA CON LA BECA PROMISE, SOLICITUD DE CSN (CON EXENCIÓN DE CUOTA), UNLV, UNR Y LA BECA PEF. (CUMPLE CON LOS PLAZOS DE PRIORIDAD).

17:00-19:00: TALLER DE FAFSA

CONSIGUE AYUDA PARA CONFIGURAR TU CUENTA FAFSA Y COMPLETAR LAS SECCIONES DE ESTUDIANTE Y PADRE (COLABORADOR).

QUÉ LLEVAR:

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