



Silicon Valley College Success Scholarship Fund 2010 Scholarship Application for New Awards Deadline: Friday, April 16, 2010



The UC Santa Cruz Educational Partnership Center, in partnership with the College Access Foundation and Silicon Valley Community Foundation, is awarding scholarships to support college-bound, low-income graduating seniors from the Silicon Valley Area. Only complete applications will be considered for scholarship awards. Scholarships will be directly disbursed to the student's college or university financial aid office and may be applied to the cost of attendance. No funds will be directly issued to the student.

Scholarship Awards:

- \$1,000-\$10,000 scholarship awards for students attending 4-year colleges/universities
- \$1,000 scholarship awards for students attending community colleges

*****Please note that awards are for the 2010-2011 academic year and are not automatically renewable. Award amounts will vary depending on the financial need of recipients, the educational cost of the student's college enrollment, and the number of eligible applicants.**

Scholarship Eligibility Criteria:

1. Demonstrate financial need.
2. Must be a senior who will graduate in June 2010 from one of the following East Side Union High School District or San Jose Unified School District schools:
Andrew Hill High School, James Lick High School, William C. Overfelt High School, Yerba Buena High School, Gunderson High School, San Jose High Academy, or Willow Glen High School
3. Certification of enrollment at public or private degree-granting, four-year or two-year accredited college or university in the United States (e.g., UC, CSU, California Community College, private college). Students working toward vocational, technical, or other certification programs are **NOT** eligible to apply.
4. Have a minimum high school cumulative **2.5 GPA if planning to attend a four year institution** or a minimum cumulative **2.0 GPA if planning to attend a California Community College**.
5. Must be willing to participate in follow-up activities (e.g. phone interviews, online communication, workshops, individual appointments, etc.) while in high school and during the first year of college.
6. Submit completed scholarship application form by deadline, including unofficial transcript with cumulative GPA, personal statement, and proof of income/financial need.
7. Students planning to attend a California Community College must complete the attached Transfer Partnership Program Form.

Checklist for Application & Required Attachments:

A completed application must contain the following:

- Completed application form
- Personal essay (this will be used as part of the selection process)
- Current high school transcript including Fall 2009 semester senior grades (unofficial transcripts are acceptable)
- Proof of income: Copy of a submitted FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR) and parent IRS tax returns (1040, 1040A, 1040EZ) Students who cannot complete a FAFSA must submit a written statement explaining why and list sources of annual income.
- Transfer Partnership Form
- Data Release Consent Form

MAIL or DELIVER your application & attachments **postmarked no later than Friday, April 16th** to:

Silicon Valley College Success Scholarship Fund Committee
San Jose Cal-SOAP
3095 Yerba Buena Road, P-101
San Jose, CA 95135-1598

You may also deliver your completed application and attachments to your high school Cal-SOAP representative no later than Friday, April 16, 2010 by 4:00 p.m.

We are not responsible for incomplete, lost or late applications.

For questions call the Cal-SOAP Office at (408) 223-6774 or the Silicon Valley College Success Scholarship Fund Committee

Student Name: _____

(408) 693-0972.

ID#: _____



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Directions: (Please print neatly or type)

The way you complete this application is very important to the Scholarship Selection Committee, so give it a lot of thought and time. Answer each question as completely and neatly as possible and do not be bashful when telling about yourself. If you need more space, attach additional sheets of paper.

SECTION A: Personal Information

PRINT OR TYPE NEATLY

- 1) Name: _____
Last Name First Name Middle Name
- 2) Home Mailing Address: _____
Street # and Name City Zip Code
- 3) Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____
- 4) Email Address: _____ High School Name: _____
- 5) High School Student ID #: _____ College Student ID#: _____
- 6) Date of Birth: ____/____/____ Age: _____ Gender: Male Female
- 7) Do you qualify for: Free Lunch Reduced Lunch Don't know Do not qualify
- 8) Ethnicity: *(select one) – Please specify:*
 Asian/Pacific Islander: _____ Caucasian
 Native American/Alaskan Native African American
 Hispanic/Latino: _____ Undeclared/Decline to state
 Multi-Ethnic: _____
- 9) Total Cumulative GPA: _____ Year of Graduation: _____
- 10) Are you a first-generation college student? ____ Yes ____ No
"First-generation" means your parents have not graduated from a college or university.
- 11) Parent's highest level of education:
 No High School High School Diploma/GED
 Some High School Bachelor's Degree
 Some College Graduate/Professional
 Do not know Other _____
- 12) Are you a participant in the San Jose Cal-SOAP program? ____ Yes ____ No

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SECTION B: College/University Information

- 1) Do you plan to attend a four-year college/university for fall 2010 and enroll as a full-time college student?
_____ Yes _____ No

- 2) If you will not be attending a four-year college/university, will you be attending a California Community College? _____ Yes _____ No

- 3) If you will be attending a California Community College, are you planning to:
 - a) Transfer to a four-year institution _____ Yes _____ No
 - b) Earn an Associate of Arts (AA) Degree _____ Yes _____ No

- 4) List your top three choices of four-year colleges/universities or community college, to which you've applied or plan to apply for Fall 2010:
 - a. _____
Name _____ City _____ State _____

 - b. _____
Name _____ City _____ State _____

 - c. _____
Name _____ City _____ State _____

- 5) What College or University will you most likely enroll in for Fall 2010? _____

- 6) What major(s) are you interested in? _____

- 7) Who, if anyone (i.e. Teacher, Counselor, family member, etc), will support you in achieving your educational goals and how (i.e. financially, academically, personally, etc)?

SECTION C: Financial Information

- 1) Who currently supports you financially? Mark all that apply. (who do you live with, who pays your bills, who feeds you)
_____ Self _____ Father _____ Mother _____ Other person (explain) _____



SECTION C: Financial Information continued

- 2) If you are working, how many hours per week? _____ Your weekly income \$ _____
- 3) What is your parents' total annual income? \$ _____
- 4) How many people are in your family (including you)? _____
- 5) If you cannot provide income information, please explain why. Attach an additional sheet of paper that list sources of annual income and your explanation.

- 6) Did you file a FAFSA? _____ Yes _____ No
- 7) Have you been awarded a Cal Grant?
_____ No _____ Not Sure _____ Yes - If so, how much? _____
- 8) Have you been awarded a Pell Grant?
_____ No _____ Not Sure _____ Yes - If so, how much? _____
- 9) What is your expected family contribution (EFC)? This information can be found on your FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR)? \$ _____

- 10) Please briefly explain any special family or financial circumstances that might impact your future educational goals:

SECTION D: Personal Essay

On a separate sheet, type a short, double-spaced personal essay, with **no more than 250 words**, answering one of the following questions:

- a) What is it that is inspiring you to pursue higher education?
- b) What particular difficulties have you faced and how have you overcome them?
- c) If selected as a scholarship recipient, how will this award support your educational and career goals?

***Type your first and last name and your school student ID# on the personal essay page.



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SECTION E: Participation in Follow-Up Activities

If selected as a scholarship recipient you will be **required** to participate in follow-up activities while in high school and during your first year of college which will include, but are not limited to:

- Completion of follow-up survey(s)
- Participation in events/activities
- Submission of verification of college enrollment documentation
- Submission of college financial aid award letter
- Completion of contract and follow up paperwork
- Submission of a copy of first semester grades of freshman year in college
- If attending a community college, participation in the UCSC Transfer Partnership Program
- Participation in online networks as requested (i.e. Myspace, Facebook, Twitter, etc.)
- Provide updates on college experience
- Failure to participate in follow-up activities will result in award reduction or termination

SECTION F: Authorization & Certification

Please fill out EITHER the English or the Spanish authorization below:

I, _____ (Parent/Guardian) give my son/daughter permission to participate in the Silicon Valley College Success Scholarship Fund.

Name of Student: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____
 Student Signature: _____

Date: _____
 Date: _____

Yo, _____ (el nombre del padre o guardián) le doy a mi hijo/hija (nombrado/abajo) permiso de participar en el Silicon Valley College Success Scholarship Fund.

Nombre del estudiante: _____

Firma del padre o guardián: _____
 Firma del estudiante: _____

Fecha: _____
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Scholarship Acceptance/Agreement Form

If I am awarded this scholarship, I agree to the following conditions and I understand that failure to comply with any of the conditions is grounds for reduction or rescission of any potential scholarship funds:

- 1. I understand that the Financial Aid Office at my college/university must submit proof of enrollment for the 2010-2011 academic year before the scholarship award can be released. I give the UC Santa Cruz Educational Partnership Center (EPC) and/or the Silicon Valley Community Foundation (SVCF) the absolute right and permission to verify my enrollment and request information regarding my financial aid. _____ (initial)
- 2. I will send a copy of my first semester/quarter grades from my first year to EPC by January 31, 2011.
- 3. If I transfer to another college or university, I will notify EPC in writing, and I will send an official statement from the college or university indicating that I have been granted admission.
- 4. I will notify EPC in writing of any changes to my address or circumstance.
- 5. I will participate in follow up survey(s), phone calls, or other communication requests from the present through August 21, 2011.
- 6. I will furnish any additional information to EPC and/or SVCF upon request.
- 7. I will provide updates and/or short presentation regarding my college experience upon request.
- 8. I understand that this scholarship award is to be used for tuition, books, educational expenses, and the costs of attending the college or university.
- 9. I authorize EPC and/or SVCF to share the information with college/university listed, and in turn, I authorize the college/university to release requested information to the EPC and/or SVCF.
- 10. I understand that any changes to my reported college of attendance may result in a reduction and/or termination of award.

By signing below I am signifying acceptance of this scholarship, should it be offered, and agreeing to the conditions listed above. Failure to cooperate and follow through will result in forfeiture of scholarship privileges.

Student name: _____

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian signature: _____

Date: _____

PHOTO RELEASE AUTHORIZATION

I, (Parent's/Guardian's name, please print) _____, give the Educational Partnership Center at the University of California, Santa Cruz, the absolute right and permission to use my child's photograph(s) and quotations or words used in addition to the photograph(s) in its promotional materials and publicity efforts. I understand that the photograph(s) and/or quotations and words may be used in a publication, print ad, direct-mail piece, electronic media (e.g. video, CD-ROM, Internet, World Wide Web), or other form of promotion. I release the University, the photographer, their offices, employees, agents, and designees from liability for any violation of any personal or proprietary right I may have in connection with such use.

Name of child: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip Code: _____