



MEXICAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION 2024 College Scholarship Award

Dear High School Counselor:

PLEASE REGISTER YOUR SCHOOL FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP BY confirming your receipt of this application packet via email at: mabasascholarship@gmail.com.

Applications are now being sought for the 2024 College Scholarship Awards sponsored by the Mexican American Bar Association of San Antonio (MABA-SA). Applications will be accepted through **March 18, 2024**. Enclosed please find the official application. Please copy or forward the enclosed fillable application to ALL interested seniors at your high school.

Every year MABA-SA awards several thousand dollars to deserving San Antonio area high school seniors. The MABA-SA scholarship fund seeks to aid qualified students who are pursuing a post-high school education, college as well as trade school. This year MABA-SA will be selecting fifteen (15) individuals to receive a \$2,500 scholarship. Scholarship recipients will be notified by the MABA Committee Chair within one week of the Scholarship Awards Ceremony. The ceremony will take place on the evening of **May 15, 2024 so please save the date!!** The location will be announced at the time the recipients are notified.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS - A successful applicant must:

1. Complete a MABA-SA Scholarship Application.
2. Submit an exceptional personal statement.
3. Provide a copy of transcript of grades through December 2023.
4. Provide a copy of their best SAT/ACT scores. If, and only if, the student was not able to take the SAT or ACT in 2023, the student must submit a copy of their PSAT score taken during their Junior Year in high school.
5. Provide a letter of recommendation from a high school official (teacher, coach, principal, counselor).
6. If any community service work has been performed, you may indicate such service by attaching a resume.
7. If selected to receive scholarship, please make arrangements to attend the Scholarship Awards Ceremony on **May 15, 2024**. Recipients will be notified within one week of the ceremony and the location and details will be provided at that time.

QUALIFICATIONS - A successful applicant must:

1. Have at least a 3.0 grade point average.
2. Be a high school senior currently enrolled in an accredited secondary school.

Thank you in advance for your help. Should you have any questions, please e-mail the MABA-SA Scholarship Committee at mabasascholarship@gmail.com.

MEXICAN AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION



DEADLINE
ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE EMAILED BY MARCH 18, 2024

Please read through the requirements and qualifications (listed on the final page) before submitting your application. Responses must be typed or neatly printed.

1. Applicant's Name (Last, First, and Middle): _____
2. High School Attended: _____
3. Class Rank: _____ out of _____ Cumulative GPA: _____
4. Were you able to take the SAT or ACT in 2023? _____
 - A. If so, total SAT/ACT Score: _____
 - B. If not, why not: _____
 - C. If not, total PSAT score during Junior Year: _____
5. Home Street Address: _____ Apt. No. _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____
Cell Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

- Email: _____ Age as of 3/18/2024: _____

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6. (OPTIONAL) What is your race or ethnicity (check all that apply):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian or Asian Indian | <input type="checkbox"/> Middle Eastern or North African |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black or African American | <input type="checkbox"/> Native American or Alaska Native |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Caucasian | <input type="checkbox"/> Pacific Islander or Native Hawaiian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic, Latino or Spanish origin | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

7. Name of University/College/Trade School where Applicant has been accepted or plans to attend:

- A. _____
 - B. _____
 - C. _____
- College Interest/Major: _____
- Current / Anticipated semester hours: _____

8. FAMILY INFORMATION

- A. Parent/Guardian (1): Full Name: _____
 _____ Married _____ Divorced _____ Single parent _____ Other Relation (specify): _____
 Occupation: _____ Average yearly income: \$ _____
 Estimated yearly cost for your support: \$ _____
 Estimated yearly cost willing to contribute for your education: \$ _____
- B. Parent/Guardian (2): Full Name: _____
 _____ Married _____ Divorced _____ Single parent _____ Other Relation (specify): _____
 Occupation: _____ Average yearly income: \$ _____
 Estimated yearly cost for your support: \$ _____
 Estimated yearly cost parents willing to contribute for your education: \$ _____
- C. Number of other family members living with you: _____
 _____ Brothers _____ Sisters _____ Others (specify: _____)
 Are you the oldest, youngest or middle child? _____

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9. APPLICANT'S INFORMATION

- A. Employment (Please indicate if you worked during the regular school year.) :
 Employer (1): _____
 Type of work: _____ Hours per week: _____ Rate of pay: _____
 If you are an unpaid worker, please state reason (intern, volunteer, etc.) _____
 Employer (2): _____
 Type of work: _____ Hours per week: _____ Rate of pay: _____
 If you are an unpaid worker, please state reason (intern, volunteer, etc.) _____
- B. Provider Status:
 Do you financially support another person? Yes _____ No _____
 If "Yes," please identify dependent(s), i.e. a relative or your own child: _____

 Identify the nature of support (estimated costs or other form of support) on a monthly basis:

- C. Academic Income Status: Estimate your living costs and income for the upcoming academic year.
 Estimated Costs: \$ _____ Estimated Income: \$ _____
 Tuition: \$ _____ Applicant's Earnings: \$ _____
 Books and Supplies: \$ _____ Parent Contribution: \$ _____
 Rent and Board: \$ _____ Applicant's Savings: \$ _____
 Transportation: \$ _____ Scholarships: \$ _____
 Medical: \$ _____ Fellowships: \$ _____
 Other (specify): \$ _____ Grants (Specify: PELL, state, etc.) \$ _____

 Military benefits: \$ _____ Student loans: \$ _____

TOTAL COST for academic year:
 \$ _____
 Expected Unmet Need: \$ _____

TOTAL INCOME for the academic year:
 \$ _____

10. REFERENCES

One letter of recommendation is required, preferably from a teacher or school official who is well aware of your academic and personal achievements as well as your potential for future success. The letter should include comments about your present enrollment, academic status and ranking among peers. Qualities such as maturity, motivation, self-confidence, leadership, and personal commitment should also be addressed. Send the letter along with the application **no later than March 18, 2024.**

Do NOT send copies of letters sent to other admission and selection committees as substitutes for this reference letter. The letter must be constructed by the writer directly in response to the above MABA-SA Scholarship Committee criteria.

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11. PERSONAL STATEMENT

Your personal statement is a critical aspect of this application and is equivalent to a personal interview. Do not substitute personal statements addressed to other institutional admission or selection committees as they will not be accepted. General resumes will not be accepted. Include a one to two-page personal statement addressing the following elements (preferably typed, neatly handwritten is acceptable):

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|--|------------------------------------|
| A. Family and Cultural Background | E. Personal Hardships |
| B. Achievements and Leadership Abilities | F. Financial Need |
| C. Extra-curricular Activities and Personal Interest | G. Any other relevant information. |
| D. Career and Personal goals, Personal Motto (or motto to live by) | |

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12. TRANSCRIPT and STANDARIZED TEST SCORES (must be attached to application):

- Attach to application a transcript through the FALL of your senior year.
- Attach to application your SAT or ACT scores. If you were unable to take the SAT or ACT in 2023, attach to application a copy of your PSAT score taken during your Junior Year.
- Please REDACT your social security number on any document sent to MABA.

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13. CERTIFICATION

All of the above information is complete, true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I hereby give the Mexican American Bar Association of San Antonio permission to share this information for the purpose of public relations. I further certify that I will be enrolled as a FULL-TIME student, in college or trade school for the upcoming academic year. I certify that I will use the MABA-SA scholarship award exclusively toward expenses related to my attendance at college or a trade school.

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14. MEDIA CONSENT FORM AND RELEASE

I understand that by submitting this scholarship application to MABA-SA, my parents, and/or legal guardians, as applicable, and I hereby grant MABA-SA and their agents the absolute right and permission to use and reproduce my image and/or likeness for any lawful purpose whatsoever, including but not limited to use in any MABA-SA publication, social media or MABA-SA website, without payment or any other consideration.

RETURN THE COMPLETED SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AND ALL ATTACHMENTS **NO LATER THAN March 18, 2024** AS FOLLOWS:

EMAIL: mabasascholarship@gmail.com

SUBJECT LINE: Completed Application/Last Name, First Name

NOTE: A member of the Scholarship Committee will respond to your email noting it was received. If you do not receive a confirmation email within 48 hours of your application submission, please contact Sammantha Rodriguez at 210-782-0620 to confirm receipt.

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