



***The Pinay Aspire Scholarship is being offered by Pinay Aspirations to a graduating high school senior girl of Filipina descent who resides or attends school in the San Francisco Bay Area. The Pinay Aspire Scholarship recipient receives \$1000 and a mentor for one year. Qualifying Pinays must attend a two-year or four-year college within the 2018-2019 academic year and demonstrate personal hardship, a strong potential for success, and a deep sense of pride and connection for Filipino heritage, culture, and identity.***

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**Eligibility Requirements:**

1. High school senior girl of Filipina descent who is proud of her Filipino-American culture
  2. Must reside or attend school in one of the nine San Francisco Bay Area counties
  3. Qualifying Pinay must attend a two-year or four-year college within the 2018/2019 academic year
  4. Must demonstrate personal hardship and a strong potential for success
  5. If selected, you will need to be available for an **interview date TBA in San Francisco, CA**
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**APPLICATION instructions:**

Submit all documentation to Pinay Aspirations on time. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated. This application becomes complete and valid only when Pinay Aspirations has received all of the following materials:

- The Pinay Aspire Scholarship Application
- Essay Questions
- 1 Letter of Recommendation (not a family member). This can be from a teacher, counselor, advisor, employer, coach, etc.
- School Transcripts (unofficial copy is sufficient)

**All application and supporting materials must be emailed to the scholarship committee at [pinay.aspirations@gmail.com](mailto:pinay.aspirations@gmail.com) by 11:59pm on April 1, 2018**

If you have any questions on any portion of this application, please email us at: [pinay.aspirations@gmail.com](mailto:pinay.aspirations@gmail.com)

Type or print all required information except for signatures. Please send the application as a pdf.

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## 2018 The Pinay Aspire Scholarship: Application Form

### Part 1: Personal Information

Middle Initial	First	Last Name	
Address			
Zip Code	State	City	
Date of Birth	Phone ( <i>home/cell/work</i> )		
E-mail Address			

### High School Information

Name of High School		
Zip Code	State	City
When do you plan on starting college? Mo/Year	Phone	

### Name of colleges/universities you have applied to and indicate the major/course of study.

Major or course of study	City, State	School

### Work Experience or Personal Familial Responsibilities (*i.e. caring for siblings or family members*)

Period worked (mo/yr to mo/yr)	Position	Hours per week	Company



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List extracurricular activities and community activities in which you have participated during the past four years and any academic awards and honors received.

Year(s) of Participation	Offices Held	Special Awards / Honors	Activity

### Part 2: Essay Topics (required)

Please respond to the following questions. A maximum of 250 words for each question.

1. How has a family or personal circumstance interfered with you attaining an achievement in school, work or your participation in school and community activities? How have you worked through it?
2. How do you define success? Describe a personal success (e.g. academic, family or extracurricular activities), how you achieved it and what you learned from it.
3. What does it mean to you to be Filipino-American?

### Short Essay Responses (required)

Please respond to the following questions. A maximum of 100 words for each question.

1. Who is someone in your life (e.g. family member, friend, teacher/mentor, celebrity, writer, etc) that you look up to? How have they inspired you and influenced your decision to attend college?
2. List three goals you are hoping to achieve while in college?
3. What are three challenges you anticipate in your first year of college?

### PART 3: TRANSCRIPT INFORMATION

All applicants must include a copy of your high school transcript of grades.



**Part 4: LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION**

**Applicant information**

Middle Initial	First	Last Name
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**Recommender's Information**

First	Last Name
	Relationship to Applicant

**Part 3: Recommendation**

*You have been asked to provide information in support of this scholarship application. Please comment on one or more of the following. Please email the recommendation to [pinay.aspirations@gmail.com](mailto:pinay.aspirations@gmail.com). Include the name of the applicant and your relationship to the applicant in the email.*

1. Describe the applicant's ability to set realistic goals and how she has achieved those goals.
2. Describe how the applicant has demonstrated academic or community leadership.
3. Provide an example that demonstrates the applicant's willpower, personal strength, and drive.



**Part 5: Application Certification**

*Pinay Aspirations is responsible for selecting recipients based on criteria as set forth in the Pinay Aspire Scholarship Application Instructions. By signing below, I acknowledge that I have read and understand the statements listed below. I also certify that I meet the basic eligibility requirements of the scholarship program as described in the application and that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.*

- *Decisions will be made by the Scholarship Committee of Pinay Aspirations and will be final.*
- *The scholarship application becomes the property of Pinay Aspirations and will not be returned. (It is recommended that you keep a copy for your files.)*
- *Information contained in this application will be treated as confidential and not shared with outside organizations without the consent of the applicant.*

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_