



2024 AVANZANDO Scholarship Application

Deadline: March 25, 2024

Avanzando, Inc. is a Newark-based, grassroots, non-profit organization 501(c)(3) committed to providing financial support to eligible Latino students in the Newark community since 2008, with a mission to promote the advancement and empowerment of the Latino youth, their families, and our community through education, leadership, and networking opportunities.

ELIGIBILITY

All of the following requirements must be met:

- Must have a permanent mailing address in the city of Newark, California or attend a Newark school.
- Must be a graduating senior student at Newark Memorial High School or Bridgepoint High School or a student enrolled at an accredited college or university.
- Must be of Latino descent.
- Must be enrolled in an accredited college, university, or vocational trade school in the upcoming fall.
- Must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

In order to be considered, the applicant must submit a complete application by March 25, 2024. A complete application includes the following:

- Filled and Completed Application
- School Transcript (official preferred but not required)
- One Letter of recommendation (From teacher, counselor, employer, community member, etc.)
- Personal statement (300 words minimum, 600 words maximum)

Please email the completed application to avanzando.newark@yahoo.com or mail the completed application in one single packet to the following address: Avanzando Scholarship Committee, PO Box 47, Newark, CA 94560. An incomplete application at the time of submission will be disqualified.

TIMELINE

- March 25, 2024 Applications due via email or postmarked if sent via mail
- April 19, 2024 Avanzando will notify you if you have been selected as an award recipient
- May 1, 2024 Avanzando reception and certificate ceremony (*Attendance is Mandatory*)
- July 4-5, 2024 Award pick up with mandatory proof of 2024-25 school registration

AWARD RECIPIENT REQUIREMENTS

- MUST Attend the Avanzando Reception and Certificate Ceremony: May 1, 2024 (*Evening Event*)
- MUST volunteer a minimum of four hours at the Avanzando Fireworks Booth fundraiser during the week of June 24, 2024 – July 4, 2024



IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION:

First/Middle/Last Name: _____

Permanent Home Address: _____

Primary Phone: _____ Email: _____

How did you learn about the Avanzando Scholarship:

Will you be over 18 years of age by June 15, 2024? _____

Are you of Latino descent or heritage? _____ Yes, _____ No

CURRENT SCHOOL INFORMATION:

School Name: _____

GPA: _____

SCHOOL ATTENDING IN THE FALL INFORMATION:

School Name: _____

Major/Field of Study: _____

MENTOR RECOGNITION

Name of an individual in education who inspired you and why (add attachment if more space is needed):

ESSAY TOPICS AND REQUIREMENTS:

In order to be considered for the scholarship, please write an essay based on one of the following topics:

- Your most valuable community commitments or involvement, and their impact on you or others.
- Your greatest challenge and how you overcame it.
- Your college/career goals and how it will help your community.

Essay Requirements:

- Must be between 300 - 600 typed words and based on one of the topics above.
- Essay in Spanish will only be accepted with an English translation attached.
- Applications with essays that do not meet the requirements may be disqualified.

**ALL COMPLETED APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED OR EMAIL-TIMESTAMPED
NO LATER THAN MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2024.**