



Educational Talent Search

Dear ETS Seniors,

The Educational Talent Search Program is proud to announce the 2009 ETS Scholarship Fund, created specifically for ETS seniors from the class of 2009. Recipients will receive scholarships for two years through their active participation with ETS. Eighty-one thousand dollars (\$81,000) will be awarded to 17 income eligible ETS graduating seniors who matriculate to four-year and two-year colleges for fall 2009. Ten (10) scholarships for \$6,000 (\$3,000/academic year) have been established for students who enroll in a four-year accredited college/university and seven (7) scholarships for \$3,000 (\$1,500/academic year) have been established for students who enroll in a two-year accredited community college.

Scholarship Eligibility Criteria

1. Enrolled in ETS
2. Meet Low Income Guidelines for Federal Pell Grant or California Grant B
3. U.S. Citizen or Legal Resident
4. Attend an ETS Workshop on “Utilizing College Support Services”
 - a. Thursday, January 22nd from 6:30-8:30pm @ DVC in PS175
 - b. Wednesday, February 4th from 6:30pm to 8:30pm @DVC in PS 175
 - c. Saturday, February 21st from 9am to 11am @ DVC in PS 175
5. Attend ETS Scholarship Awards Program on May 29th
6. Remain active with ETS for AY 2009/10 and 2010/11, maintaining monthly contact and attending scheduled workshops.

Application Process

- ✓ Complete ETS Scholarship Application
- ✓ Submit a three page (double spaced, size 12 Font, Times New Roman or Arial) essay discussing why you want to attend college, how you will utilize college support services and how you envision remaining active with ETS for two years while in college.
- ✓ Submit two (2) letters of recommendation from academic teachers or school site administrators in a sealed signed envelop.
- ✓ Attach Proof of Completed FAFSA (SAR signed by both the student and parent)
- ✓ Attach Signed Federal Tax Form or Signed Income Document from Social Services
- ✓ Attach Official HS Transcript
- ✓ Complete the ETS Information Release Form

All applicants will be required to submit proof of enrollment into a 2-year or 4-year college for fall 2009 along with their financial aid award letter prior to receipt of scholarship funds.

ETS Scholarship Time Line

1. Application due Tuesday, March 31, 2009 by 4pm to the ETS Office @ DVC. It is highly recommended that you meet with your ETS representative to review your application prior to submission
2. Attend ETS Workshop on Utilizing College Support Services
3. Applicants Notification May 7, 2009
4. Scholarship Disbursement (September 7, 2009 and October 19, 2009)
5. Provide Proof of College Enrollment (12 units/full time status) prior to receipt of funds
6. Provide Proof of Financial Eligibility for Pell or Cal Grant B prior to receipt of funds

It is extremely important that each recipient understand that this is a two year award based on participation and college enrollment. ETS will have mandatory scheduled meetings and events that each recipient must participate in. Each recipient will also be required to participate in monthly follow-up meetings/conversations with an ETS representative and implement suggested strategies designed to support postsecondary retention. Retention strategies may include activities like developing an educational plan with a counselor, meeting with an academic counselor or financial aid administrator, participating in specific club or student leadership activities or academic tutoring.

Community Service

Dates of Participation	Organization/Sponsor	Description of your role, responsibility and contribution

Honors and Awards

Dates/Academic Year	Title of Honor/Award	Purpose of Award/Honor

Essay

Submit a three page typed double space essay (size 12 font, Times New Roman or Arial) discussing why you want to attend college, how you will utilize college support services and how you envision remaining active with ETS for 2 years while in college. You may discuss any family/financial responsibilities that you feel are important when reviewing your application. Be specific about what services you think you need to remain in college, other than financial resources.

Signatures

I affix my signature to attest to the accuracy and completeness of this information.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Parent's Signature _____ Date _____

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INFORMATION RELEASE

Student's Name _____ Student's Social Security # _____

Information Release: I authorize the DVC Educational Talent Search (ETS) to obtain documents relative to and consistent with my education. Such documents may include: a copy of my school transcript, test scores, ACT/SAT or GED scores, and school lunch program eligibility. I authorize ETS to obtain information related to my application for receipt of student financial assistance (federal, state, institutional or other) a copy of my award notification from the financial aid office, and college admission and registration information. I would like to be part of the ETS program. I hereby give my permission to participate in all Educational Talent Search activities. In addition, I hereby give my permission for my name, photograph, work and/or statements to be used by Educational Talent Search for promotional, publicity, or instructional purposes.

Student Signature _____ Date _____

Information submitted to the following:

Postsecondary Institution _____ Date _____

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