



## **SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**

### **PETALUMA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION**

**PURPOSE** To promote scholarships, administered by the Petaluma Educational Foundation (PEF), available to deserving graduates of Petaluma area high schools. PEF Scholarships are established by individuals, families or businesses with criteria clearly stated in the Scholarship Descriptions.

**CRITERIA** Before applying, read the description of each scholarship carefully to determine IF you are eligible. Pay special attention to the following:

- **High School Eligibility:** is your high school listed?
- **Minimum GPA:** does your cumulative GPA meet the minimum required?
- **Requirements:** what type of school do you hope to attend or area of study you wish to pursue?
- **Special Emphasis (optional):** is there an Emphasis that you must meet to qualify?

**APPLICATION PROCESS** Each applicant must submit:

1. **3 copies of complete typed application for each PEF Scholarship** (handwritten and/or incomplete applications will not be accepted). Applications are available through the Scholarship Coordinator at your high school. The complete application, as a Word document, may be downloaded from [www.pefinfo.com](http://www.pefinfo.com).
2. **Personal Statements** (provided with application). Some PEF Scholarships require an additional essay. Please refer to the Scholarship Description.
3. **Two (2) Letter of Recommendation Forms** (provided with application), at least one supporting your qualifications for the Requirements and Special Emphasis, if applicable, described by the scholarship. One reference must be from an instructor. The Letter of Recommendation form is also available as a Word document online at [www.pefinfo.com](http://www.pefinfo.com).
4. **Complete high school transcript**, showing your cumulative GPA.
5. **Student Aid Report** from the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) to demonstrate financial need, if applicable to scholarship. Available online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS FEBRUARY 28, 2009.**

**Submit complete application before 2/28/09 to the Scholarship Coordinator at your high school.**

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Applicant Name:

## **APPLICATION**

### **PETALUMA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS**

*(Additional lines may be added by using the "return" key)*

**PEF Scholarship Name:**

**Your High School:**

**Small Learning Community (Casa Grande HS and Petaluma HS students only):**

#### **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Applicant Name:	
Street Address:	
City, State, Zip:	
Telephone – home:	Telephone – cell:

#### **FINANCIAL NEED**

If the scholarship considers Financial Need, provide the Student Aid Report (SAR) from the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) available online from the US Department of Education <a href="http://www.fafsa.ed.gov">www.fafsa.ed.gov</a> .
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#### **HIGHER EDUCATION PLANS**

GPA Cumulative (high school transcript must also be provided)
What type of school do you plan to attend next year? (number in order of preference: 1=first choice, 2=second, 3=third) ___ 2-year Community College      ___ 4-year State College or University      ___ Trade/Vocational School
Intended field of study or proposed career
Name(s) of school or schools to which you have applied (list in order of preference)
List all scholarships you have applied for/intend to apply for

Applicant Name:

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**HIGH SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS**

Provide information regarding your high school experience. Only use categories that apply.

**ACADEMIC AWARDS, HONORS RECEIVED**

<u>Year</u>	<u>Award/Honor</u>

**ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENTS** List schools sports, years of participation and athletic honors.

<u>Year(s)</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Achievement/Award</u>

**SCHOOL CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES**

<u>Year(s)</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Member/Officer</u>	<u>Activities/Hours per week</u>

**COMMUNITY SERVICE** (volunteer/community activities outside of school)

<u>Year(s)</u>	<u>Organization</u>	<u>Member/Officer</u>	<u>Activities/Hours per week</u>

**WORK EXPERIENCE** (outside of school)

<u>Year(s)</u>	<u>Employer</u>	<u>Hours per Week</u>	<u>Duties</u>

I certify that the information in this application is true and hereby agree that in the event I receive a Foundation scholarship, my grade point average and other pertinent information can be released to the Foundation's board of trustees, in publicity regarding Foundation activities, and to the donor.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Name:

## **PERSONAL STATEMENTS**

### **PETALUMA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS**

Applicant's name:
Name of Scholarship:

**PERSONAL STATEMENT #1:** Why are you qualified for this scholarship? Clearly state how and why you meet the Requirement(s) listed for this scholarship and, if applicable, the Special Emphasis. (300 words or less)

**PERSONAL STATEMENT #2:** Describe a special circumstance or experience that has influenced your life, in either a positive or negative way, and how you have dealt with it. (300 words or less)

**OPTIONAL ESSAY:** Some PEF Scholarships require an additional essay. Please check carefully to determine if one is required. (300 words or less)

Applicant Name:

## LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION FORM PETALUMA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS

**TO BE COMPLETED BY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICANT:**

Applicant's name:
Name of PEF Scholarship:
Requirement of Scholarship:
Special Emphasis (if applicable)

**TO BE COMPLETED BY REFERENCE:**

This student is applying for a scholarship from the Petaluma Educational Foundation. Please explain why this individual is deserving of this particular scholarship, with special attention given to the Requirements and, if applicable, Special Emphasis of the scholarship, noted above:

Reference's name
Title/occupation
Relationship to applicant

Reference's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return the completed form to the student for inclusion with his/her application due 2/28/09.**