

**WICHITA
SER
SCHOLARSHIP
PROGRAM
BROCHURE**



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SER Corporation

The SER Board of Directors is a body of business and professional people working together to help the Kansas SER Corporation carry out its mission of training and job placement for the socially, economically and academically disadvantaged. The organization was founded in 1974.

As a result of fund-raising activities and donations from community businesses and organizations, a scholarship fund has been established by the SER Board of Directors. College scholarships are awarded to deserving Hispanic students.

ELIGIBILITY

The SER Scholarship Program is open to all Hispanics students (with at least one parent being of Hispanics parentage), who have maintained at least a 2.75 (B-) cumulative grade point average (first time applicants must have a 3.0 GPA), have applied for full-time status as a student at an accredited college, university or junior college, and meet all admission requirements of the school selected.

AWARDS

Awards of \$500 to \$1,000 each will be granted for study leading to an associate or baccalaureate degree. Scholarship awards will be paid in two equal installments in the form of a check made payable to the school prior to Fall semester, and the second installment will be mailed prior to the Spring semester of the same school year. Awards may be used to pay for tuition, required fees, books, and other related educational expenses.

Awards are renewable for up to three years or until educational requirements are met, whichever comes first. All eligible scholarship recipients **MUST** complete the application process **EACH YEAR** to be considered for renewal of the award. Students attending WSU automatically receive matching funds.

SELECTION OF RECIPIENTS

Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of Academic record, leadership and participation in school and community activities, honors, work experience, statement of educational and career goals, unusual personal or family circumstances, and a recommendation.

The scholarship committee will review all applications and recommend recipients to the Amigos de SER board of directors for approval by March 31st. Recipients will be notified of their selection following approval.

RECEPTION

<p>IT WILL BE MANDATORY THAT RECIPIENTS ATTEND THE ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP RECEPTION. STUDENTS NOT ATTENDING WILL FORFEIT SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS AWARDED TO THAT INDIVIDUAL.</p>

Recipients are required to notify the committee of changes of address, school enrollment or other relevant information, **prior to the installment mail date and in writing.**

REVISIONS

The SER Board of Directors reserves the right to review the conditions and procedures of this scholarship program and to make changes at any time including termination of the scholarship program. Previously approved scholarship awards will not be affected by any subsequent changes to the program.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Students who meet the eligibility requirements described in this brochure may apply for a scholarship award (or renewal award) by:

1. Completing and signing the enclosed scholarship application.
2. Completing a brief narrative as requested in the application.
3. Furnishing a recommendation letter to the Committee from a school counselor, teacher, or other individual with first-hand knowledge of the applicant's school or community involvement, leadership, academic achievements/honors, or other information on the application's behalf relevant to the selection process.
4. Obtaining an **official transcript**.
5. **Enclose a photo suitable for press release** (preferably in color)
6. Mailing 1 through 5 above to the SER Scholarship Committee, **postmarked no later than February 28th**, to the address below.

Applicants are responsible for gathering and submitting all necessary information supplied; therefore it is important to answer all questions as completely as possible. All information received by the committee is considered confidential.

Applications for the scholarship awards and questions regarding the program should be addressed to:

SER Scholarship Committee C/O SER Corporation
1020 N. Main, Suite D
Wichita, Kansas 67203