



## The New Mexico Coalition of Educational Leaders 2021 Scholarship Award Criteria

The New Mexico Coalition of Educational Leaders will award two \$3,000 scholarships to New Mexico high school seniors who will be entering a college or university.

### CRITERIA FOR APPLICATION AND SELCTION OF CANDIDATES

1. Candidate must be a graduating senior from any public high school in the state of New Mexico.
2. Candidate must have a G.P.A of 3.0 or better for consideration.
3. Preference will be given to those entering the field of education. (Teacher, Counselor, School Business Official, etc.)
4. Interviews with each of the top five candidates will be conducted by the Selection Committee in May.

### APPLICATION PROCESS: Submit the following completed documents:

1. The Scholarship Application Form (signed by a HS official)
2. Two letters of recommendation from teachers and/or school administrators.
3. A typed essay (**not handwritten** and at least 300 words) outlining your reasons for entering the field of education.

**Finalists must submit an Official High School Transcript prior to Interview.**

**Email to:** [jolynn@nmcel.org](mailto:jolynn@nmcel.org) (preferred method of submission)

**Mailing Address:** NMCEL Scholarship  
6600 Palomas Ave. NE  
NMAA Building  
Albuquerque, NM 87109  
Phone: 505-217-2345  
Website: [www.nmcel.org](http://www.nmcel.org)

**DEADLINE: In the NMCEL office no later than April 9, 2021.**

**Late and/or incomplete application packets will not be accepted.**



## NMCEL Scholarship 2021 Guidelines

1. The applicant must be academically strong with a G.P.A of 3.0 or better.
2. The applicant should be a well-rounded student participating in diversified activities in both school and the community.
3. The applicant must be a graduating senior from a public high school in the state of New Mexico, without regard to race, ethnicity or gender.
4. Applications must be emailed to [jolynn@nmcel.org](mailto:jolynn@nmcel.org) no later than **April 9, 2021**, to be considered.
5. Selection Committee will consist of 5 members, four of whom must be members of NMCEL. One shall be a member of the NMCEL Executive Board.
6. The committee shall be facilitated by an NMCEL Board member.
7. The applicants will be rated on the Application Form, References and Written Essay.
8. Interviews with the Selection Committee will take place in May for the top candidates. A stipend will be provided for candidates who live further than a 100-mile radius from Albuquerque.
9. The recipients of the scholarship will be notified in writing no later than June 4, 2021. All other applicants will be notified by mail of the decision of the selection committee no later than June 11, 2021.
10. The recipients must be enrolled as a full-time student, in a college or university of their choice, in the fall of the school year after graduation.
11. Two scholarships in the amount of \$3,000 will be awarded to the successful applicants at the annual Awards Luncheon at the NMCEL July conference.
12. The scholarship will be payable to the student in three payments, one in Fall, one in Winter and one the following Fall **after** proof of enrollment is submitted.
13. The scholarship will be forfeited if the student does not begin college or university classes during the fall semester or leaves after the first semester.



**NEW MEXICO COALITION OF EDUCATIONAL LEADERS  
2021 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**

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Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (include area code): Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Home \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School (Currently Attending): \_\_\_\_\_

School District: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Tell Us About Yourself**

Extracurricular Activities and Interests:

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Special Recognitions, Awards, Honors, etc.

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Career Objectives:

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**Please attach your typed (not handwritten) essay, two letters of reference, and any other supporting documentation that you think is appropriate or applicable.**

**To be completed by school official:** Applicant's G.P.A. \_\_\_\_\_ ACT or SAT Composite Score \_\_\_\_\_

HS Principal or designee's name (Please Print) \_\_\_\_\_

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