

Greater Dallas Restaurant Association

8111 LBJ Freeway, Suite 775, Dallas, TX 75251

2012-2013 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

- 2/24/12 :: APPLICATION DEADLINE
- 3/15-16/12 :: INTERVIEWS SCHEDULED FOR TOP CANDIDATES
- 3/23/12 :: NOTIFICATION TO APPLICANTS
- 4/12/12 :: SCHOLARSHIP DINNER

APPLICATIONS SENT TO THE GDRA OFFICE MUST POSTMARKED BY FEBRUARY 24, 2012. APPLICANTS MAY DELIVER APPLICATIONS IN PERSON BEFORE 5:00 P.M. ON THE DAY OF THE DEADLINE. *NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.*

QUALIFICATIONS

INDICATE BELOW WHICH GDRA SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFICATION APPLIES TO YOU.

- _____ :: I AM CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN A GDRA TEXAS PROSTART HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM.
- _____ :: I AM CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN EL CENTRO'S FOOD AND HOSPITALITY INSITUTE.
- _____ :: I AM A PREVIOUS GDRA SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENT.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

- \$10,000 :: **GUS KATSIGRIS SCHOLARSHIP**
\$2,500 each semester for 4 semesters.
- \$5,000 :: **MATT MARTINEZ, JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS**
Awarded from the Martinez family. Additional essay is required.
- \$5,000 :: **GDRA FOUNDERS CLUB PARTNERS SCHOLARSHIP**
Awarded to top applicants.
- UP TO \$5,000 :: **W.PRICE/GDRA ENDOWMENT AT EL CENTRO COLLEGE**
Awarded to top qualifying student currently enrolled at El Centro College.
- \$1,000 :: **GDRA TEXAS PROSTART SCHOLARSHIP**
Awarded to top qualifying students in GDRA Texas ProStart schools.

**IMPORTANT: SCHOLARSHIP QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS HAVE CHANGED.
REVIEW COMPLETE DOCUMENT BEFORE COMPLETING.**

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READ THE APPLICATION PROCEDURES AND APPLICANT QUALIFICATIONS PRIOR TO COMPLETING AND RETURNING THIS APPLICATION. ONLY QUALIFIED APPLICANTS WHO FOLLOW ALL APPLICATION PROCEDURES WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR A GDRA SCHOLARSHIP.

- I. The student must demonstrate the ability or potential ability to succeed with college. Official transcripts must accompany all applications. Unofficial transcripts will be denied. THEA, SAT, or ACT scores, as well as other academic evidence will be considered in the selection process.
- II. The student must demonstrate leadership ability. The student should have a broad range of participation in various groups, clubs, or programs.
- III. The student must demonstrate the ability and desire to become an asset to the foodservice industry. (a) The student's personal aims and goals should be consistent with this requirement. (b) The student should have a good job history. (c) The nature of the student's work history is recommended to be in the foodservice or hospitality industries.
- IV. If the student is a high school senior, he/she must reside in the state of Texas.
- V. The student's degree plan must be in a foodservice or hospitality program.
- VI. The need for assistance will be considered after all other considerations.
- VII. I understand that any funds awarded are only available for the 2012-2013 school year.
- VIII. I understand that if I fail to supply the appropriate documentation within the 2012-2013 school year, then I will forfeit any scholarship funds that have been awarded to me.
- IX. INTERVIEWS WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR SCHOLARSHIP FINALISTS ON MARCH 15TH AND 16TH OF 2012.

I HAVE READ, UNDERSTAND, AND AGREE TO THE CONDITIONS LISTED ABOVE:

SIGNATURE

DATE

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STEP ONE :: PERSONAL DATA

NAME (FIRST, MIDDLE, LAST)

_____/_____/_____

SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER

_____/_____/_____

DATE OF BIRTH

PERMANENT MAILING ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, ZIP)

(_____)_____

HOME PHONE

(_____)_____

CELL PHONE

EMAIL ADDRESS

CIRCLE ONE:

I AM A HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR

OR

I AM CURRENTLY IN OR WISH TO BE IN A POST-SECONDARY CULINARY PROGRAM

IF APPLICABLE, CIRCLE CURRENT YEAR IN POST-SECONDARY PROGRAM:

1

2

3

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5

NAME OF HIGH SCHOOL OR POST-SECONDARY CULINARY OR HOSPITALITY PROGRAM IN WHICH YOU ARE CURRENTLY ENROLLED.

STEP TWO, A:: EDUCATIONAL DATA

THIS SECTION IS FOR CURRENT HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST INCLUDE A CURRENT HIGH SCHOOL OR POST-SECONDARY TRANSCRIPT. ALL TRANSCRIPTS MUST BE OFFICIAL. SUBMISSION OF UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS WILL DISQUALIFY APPLICATION FROM FURTHER REVIEW.

GPA

PROPOSED MAJOR

COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY YOU PLAN TO ATTEND: _____

HAVE YOU APPLIED TO THIS COLLEGE: _____ THEA SCORE: _____ SAT SCORE _____ ACT SCORE: _____

HAVE YOU TAKEN ANY COLLEGE COURSES? (INCLUDE TRANSCRIPT FOR CONSIDERATION.) _____ # OF HOURS: _____

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY. ILLEGIBLE INFORMATION WILL PREVENT APPLICATION FROM FURTHER REVIEW.

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STEP TWO, B :: EDUCATIONAL DATA

THIS SECTION IS FOR CURRENT POST-SECONDARY STUDENTS

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COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY YOU ATTEND OR WISH TO ATTEND _____

MAJOR OR PROPOSED MAJOR _____

CURRENT GPA: _____

GRADUATION DATE: _____

DO YOU PLAN TO FINISH YOUR DEGREE AT THIS COLLEGE: _____

STEP THREE :: ACTIVITIES, AWARDS, AND WORK HISTORY

ATTACH A SEPARATE PAGE IF NECESSARY.

LIST ANY SCHOLARSHIPS THAT YOU HAVE RECEIVED:

LIST ANY ORGANIZATIONS IN WHICH YOU HAVE BEEN ACTIVE AND HELD OFFICE DURING HIGH SCHOOL AND/OR COLLEGE AND HONORS RECEIVED:

ARE YOU EMPLOYED? _____ PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT: _____

POSITION: _____ HOURS PER WEEK: _____ DATE OF EMPLOYMENT: _____ TO _____

NAME OF SUPERVISOR: _____ PHONE: _____

LIST OTHER RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE ON SEPARATE PAGE.

WHY YOU SHOULD BE CONSIDERED FOR A SCHOLARSHIP: _____

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STEP FOUR :: PHILOSOPHY

IN 150 WORDS OR LESS, SUMMARIZE YOUR PHILOSOPHY ON THE FOODSERVICE/HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY. CONCLUDE WITH YOUR PROFESSIONAL AND EDUCATIONAL GOALS.

ATTACH ESSAY TO SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION SEPERATELY.

STEP FIVE :: RECOMMENDATIONS

ATTACH TWO WRITTEN AND SEALED RECOMMENDATIONS: ONE FROM A PAST OR PRESENT EMPLOYER AND ONE FROM A PERSONAL REFERENCE OR INSTRUCTOR.

STEP SIX :: ESSAY FOR MATT MARTINEZ, JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

In Dallas, Mr. Martinez was best known for his Matt's Rancho Martinez, a popular Lakewood eatery. Mr. Martinez's family first opened up Tex-Mex restaurants in Austin in the 1920s. He brought his family's food to Dallas in the mid-1980s. Mr. Martinez had a strong love of food; a close relationship to family, community and country; concern for the environment; and a strong work ethic. Matt overcame diversity to be a successful businessman and an icon in the restaurant industry. In 150 words or less, summarize your life experiences and character traits so to illustrate why you would be a good candidate for a scholarship named in Mr. Martinez' honor.

TOP THREE APPLICANTS FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP WILL BE INTERVIEWED BY THE MARTINEZ FAMILY.

WHEN RETURNING YOUR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION, INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

- COMPLETED GDRA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
- OFFICIAL HIGH SCHOOL OR POST-SECONDARY TRANSCRIPT
- HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS: TRANSCRIPT FOR ANY COLLEGE COURSES THAT YOU HAVE COMPLETED
- ESSAY ON YOUR PHILOSOPHY ON THE FOODSERVICE/HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY
 - 2 LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATIONS
- OPTIONAL: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING OTHER SCHOLARSHIPS, ORGANIZATIONS, OR EMPLOYMENT HISTORY
 - OPTIONAL: ESSAY FOR MATT MARTINEZ, JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

**DID YOU COMPLETE ALL SIX STEPS?
INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED.**