



Board of Directors

**GREATER FORT WAYNE HISPANIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
2012 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION – Deadline 15 March 2012**

Bob Savage
Chairman

The Fort Wayne Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (GFWHCC) Board of Directors and Scholarship Committee are pleased to announce the GFWHCC Scholarship Program.

Al Rodriguez
Past Chairman

PURPOSE: The purpose of the GFWHCC Scholarship is to provide financial assistance to Hispanic students in the greater Fort Wayne community attending accredited universities or colleges.

Reynol Trevino

Lanni Connelly

AWARD: The scholarship committee will select a minimum of one scholarship recipients in 2012, to be awarded \$1000.00 each. The scholarship funds are to be considered ‘restricted’.

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Officers

Kristi Cortezano
President

APPLICATION DEADLINE: The completed application and documentation must be **RECEIVED** no later than **Friday, March 15, 2012, 5:00 p.m.** Completed applications can be submitted in one of the following ways:

TBA
Vice President

- **Mail to:** Phyllis Wiegmann, Attn: Hispanic Chamber Scholarship Committee, 3800 N. Anthony Blvd, Fort Wayne, IN 46805-1489
- **Fax to:** (260) 426-7372 Attention: Phyllis Wiegmann , (Include a cover page listing the number of pages included in the fax)
- **Email to:** pwiegman@ivytech.edu (If emailing your application and documentation, please send all original documents in word format or scan all copied documents and convert them to .pdf format.)

Leslie Remenschneider
Secretary

Vanessa Myers
Treasurer

Confirmation of receipt will be provided by phone within 24 hours.

RE-APPLICATION PROCEDURE: GFWHCC Scholarship recipients shall not be considered for another award for a period of two years. However, applicants who do not receive a scholarship are encouraged to reapply the following year.

APPLICATION SCORING: The Scholarship Committee will verify that the applicant has included all of the required documents. The selection process will then be made using a scoring rubric which will rate each applicant on a variety of factors including academic excellence (based on grades, test scores and the quality of the written essay) community service, leadership potential and potential to impact the commercial and business sector of Northeast Indiana’s Hispanic community.

NOTE:

- **Incomplete applications will not be reviewed.**
- **Applicants will be responsible to insure proper delivery of documents. Applicants with verified learning disabilities may be granted accommodations in the application process.** Please contact Phyllis Wiegmann, Scholarship Committee, at (260) 480-4232, no later than **Friday, March 2, 2012** to make arrangements.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS - The applicant must:

1. be a resident of the city of Fort Wayne, Allen County, or one of the counties commonly considered to be part of Northeast Indiana. **This will be documented by the address listed on the official school transcript that must be enclosed.**
2. be a US citizen or a student who has attended high school in the US for at least three years and graduated from a US high school or will graduate this spring. **This will be documented by a Social Security Number or a list of the High School years attended shown on the transcript.**
3. be considered “Hispanic”, “Latina/o” or of Hispanic and/or Latina/o origin. For purposes of this application, The Hispanic population consists of the people of Spain and everyone with origins in any of Spanish-speaking nations of the Americas, regardless of ancestry of the latter (including Amerindians); The Latino/a population includes those individuals whose origins are from Latin America. **This is documented in section A by listing the country of Hispanic origin.**
4. have had a 2.5/4.0 Grade Point Average or higher, or its equivalent. **This is documented by including an official transcript.**
5. provide official report(s) of SAT and/or ACT scores from the testing service(s). **This can be documented by enclosing the official report of scores from this testing service or these scores may appear on an official transcript.**
6. provide proof of acceptance to or enrollment at an accredited college or university, documented by a copy of the acceptance letter and/or proof of registration. **This can be documented by a letter of acceptance or a completed course registration form.**
7. submit one (1) letter of recommendation, written by a person who knows the applicant well but is not an immediate family member, along with the application form. Ideal references include teachers, professors, coaches, clergy, youth leaders, mentors and employers. If possible, please have the recommendation written on the reference’s company or organization letterhead. **This letter of recommendation should not come from an immediate family member and is in addition to your own essay.**
8. low to moderate household income. **Evidence of this is your submission of this application which indicates to the committee that you are not in a moderate to high household income able to pay for your education without assistance.**

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Please print the application form in black pen. Please print neatly and use correction tape or fluid to cover any mistakes.
2. You may use a word processor to compose the essay section ONLY. Please limit your comments to a single page, single-spaced, using 12-point font or larger.

3. Please make sure that the following documentation is included with your application:
 - a. Completed, application form with necessary signatures, including essay (with attached, word processed document if applicable)
 - b. official transcripts for each High School and College/University listed on the application
 - c. official exam score result reports for the ACT and/or SAT exams
 - d. original letter of recommendation

4. Applicants who can show evidence of attending a US High School for three years or more and have graduating from High School do not need to provide a Social Security number on the application.

Form Submission Checklist: Check off each item as you put it in you packet. **Remember that incomplete applications will not be reviewed.**

	Application – With all of the section completed A, B, C, D, E & F – this includes your essay in part D.
	High School Transcript
	An official document showing your Social Security Number or the number of years you have attended High School in the U.S.
	An official report of your SAT, ACT or some other College placement scores – Note: These can be on your transcript.
	An original Letter of Recommendation from someone other than a relative.
	A letter of acceptance from a college or an official class registration form for that college.

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A. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Full Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Mailing Address (if different): _____

Telephone: (_____) _____

Email: _____

Social Security Number: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Country of Hispanic Origin: _____

How long have you been in the United States? _____

B. EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

Name of High School from which you graduated: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ Principal: _____

Dates of attendance: _____ GPA _____ on a scale of _____

Name of previous High School: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ Principal: _____

Dates of attendance: _____ GPA _____ on a scale of _____

For each High School listed, please provide an official transcript along with this application.

C. COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Current College/University: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ Date of Acceptance: _____

Dates of attendance: _____ GPA _____ on a scale of _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____

Name of Advisor (if applicable): _____

Previous College/University: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: (_____) _____ Date of Acceptance: _____

Dates of attendance: _____ GPA _____ on a scale of _____

Major: _____ Minor: _____

Name of Advisor (if applicable): _____

For each College/University listed, please provide an official transcript along with this application.

D. ESSAY: *Please use the space provided to respond to the following:*

Beyond grades and test scores, why are you the ideal candidate to receive the GFWHCC Scholarship? How do you see your personal attributes, community involvement, Hispanic heritage and interest in business, commerce and/or education coming together to strengthen your leadership qualities in support of our city and region's quality of life? What struggles do you anticipate and how do you plan to overcome them?

E. COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAM RESULTS

ACT Scores: _____ Date Taken: _____

SAT Scores: _____ Date Taken: _____

Other (Please Specify) _____ Date Taken: _____

For each college entrance exam score listed, please include an official report of the scores received from the testing service.

F. APPLICANT VERIFICATION STATEMENT:

I hereby certify that the information provided in this application and in the supporting documents is true and correct.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

G. PARENT/RESPONSIBLE ADULT VERIFICATION STATEMENT:

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, the information provided by the applicant and in the supporting documents is true and correct.

Parent/Responsible Adult Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____ Phone: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____ Date: _____