



# Pacific Islander Festival Association

## 2020 Pacific Islander Festival

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### 2020 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Application deadline is March 7, 2020 (must be postmarked by March 7, 2020)

Applicant's Full Name:		
Address:		City, State, Zip
Home/Cell Phone:		E-mail Address:
Date of Birth:	Social Security # :	Ethnicity (Melanesian, Micronesian, or Polynesian descent.) Please provide proof of ethnicity: Examples: Birth certificate, parent birth certificate, registry, etc.
Name of Parent(s):		Name of High School & Date of Graduation:
U.S. Citizen: Yes or No	Reside in San Diego: Yes or No	Name & Location of College, University or Trade School Accepted to:
Student must be a resident of San Diego County		

### Information

Your attendance is encouraged at the Pacific Islander Festival scheduled September 26 & 27, 2020.

And at the 2020 Taste of the Pacific Islands Fundraiser Event scheduled July 23, 2020.

(Information and material submitted will be property of PIFA.)

Applicant may only apply to one program, either the Scholarship Program or the Miss PIFA Program.)

### Jonathan Tarr Foundation Scholarship (Additional Scholarship)

One PIFA high school recipient will be awarded the JTF scholarship. To be eligible you must submit your FAFSA for the 2019-2020 academic school year. A receipt of submission will be required along with the requirements listed below.

### Required Enclosures

- [1] Recent photo (wallet size hardcopy and jpg version on disk)
  - [2] Official High School transcripts – **Minimum of 3.0 Overall GPA** (most recent semester required, January 2019, transcript must be signed with official seal, in an enclosed sealed envelope. Applicant must be a full time student).
  - [3] Letter of acceptance to community college, university or trade school.
  - [4] Two letters of recommendations to PIFA, 1- from a school teacher or counselor, AND 1- from community leader or employer.
  - [5] Essay stating accomplishments, leadership or scholastic honors/awards, Pacific Islander and community involvement/service, goals for the future and how you plan to give back to PIFA. Fill out all 4 sections (see below)
  - [6] Applicant must be available for interview with Scholarship Review Committee.
  - [7] Copy of receipt of submission for FAFSA 2017-2019 (To be eligible for JTF Scholarship)
  - [8] Proof of ethnicity (Melanesian, Micronesian or Polynesian descent). Examples: Birth certificate, parent birth certificate, registry, etc.
- Application must be complete or will not be accepted. Applicant may submit additional written work, photos or video with application requirements. All applicants will be scored using a 5-point rubric created by the PIFA Scholarship Committee for evaluation. Please examine each category carefully when submitting your application:
- Category 1: High School Academics
- Strength of academic program, as evidence by the number of advanced placement or honors courses completed
  - Cumulative rank
  - College weighted grade point average
- Category 2: Community Service
- Community service (e.g., tutoring, mentoring, volunteer work, fundraising, etc.)
  - Leadership skills (e.g., executive positions in any organization, leading youth groups, school or civic involvement)
  - Civic Involvement (e.g., participating in public/private partnerships, volunteering on behalf of city programs and services, addressing/advocating the city council on issues of interest to the community, etc.)
- Category 3: Participation in promoting culture
- Cultural Arts or Dance Groups
  - Community work within the Pacific Islander community
- Category 4: Potential Goals to Contribute to Community of Pacific Islanders
- How applicant will give back to Pacific Islander community
  - Native language skills
  - Knowledge of your Pacific Islander ancestry
- Category 5: Letters of recommendation
- Must have minimum of two letters of recommendation attached addressed to PIFA

## Applicant Essay Overview

Tell us about yourself

### Community Service - *Address the items below*

- Community service (e.g., tutoring, mentoring, volunteer work, fundraising, etc.)
- Leadership skills (e.g., executive positions in any organization, leading youth groups, school or civic involvement)
- Civic Involvement (e.g., participating in public/private partnerships, volunteering on behalf of city programs and services, addressing/advocating the city council on issues of interest to the community, etc.)

**Participation in Promoting Culture - *Address the items below***

- Cultural Arts or Dance Groups
- Community work within the Pacific Islander community
- Other

**Potential Goals to Contribute to Community of Pacific Islanders - *Address the items below***

- How applicant will give back to Pacific Islander community
- Native language skills
- Knowledge of your Pacific Islander ancestry
- Other