



## The Backer SCV Education Foundation Scholarship

### 2020 General Information

The Santa Clarita Valley Education Foundation was founded in 1984 to foster relationships between businesses, schools, the community, educators and youth to enrich public school education and promote appreciation for public school education in the Santa Clarita Valley. In support of these goals, the Education Foundation sponsors several annual events and programs to foster and support excellence in education for students of the Santa Clarita Valley. The events include Teacher Tribute and Principal for a Day. The programs sponsored by the foundation include Teacher Innovation Grants, Read with Me and College Scholarships.

Scholarships will be awarded to students whose personal goals, college major and declared career path indicate future success in a field related to primary and secondary education. The foundation hopes to award scholarship funds totaling \$10,000 - \$14,000 in 2020. That amount may be given as a single award to one student or may be distributed as multiple awards to several students at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee.

High school graduates entering any college as a full-time student in pursuit of a four-year degree are eligible. This includes students who plan to attend a community college first.

Payment will be made to the winners upon presentation of proof of payment for tuition, books, dormitory rent or other eligible expenses deemed appropriate by the foundation board.

**Application deadline is Friday, March 6th at 5pm.** Applications must be mailed. Those postmarked after March 6th will not be accepted. **Finalists should plan to be scheduled for an interview between 2 and 6pm on Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>.**



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Thank you for your interest in applying for a scholarship with the SCV Education Foundation. Please carefully follow the directions below. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

### 2020 Scholarship Application Guidelines

- Scholarship applicants must be a legal resident of the United States, living in the Santa Clarita Valley.
- Applicants must have a GPA of at least 2.5 to be considered.
- Applicant must be attending college in 2020-2021 as a full-time student pursuing an **undergraduate degree in a field related to a career in education**. Applicants wanting a career in primary or secondary education will be given priority over ones pursuing to teach at a college level.
- Members of the Education Foundation Board and their immediate families are not eligible.
- After the written applications are screened, a group of finalists will be chosen to participate in **interviews** with a panel of Education Foundation board members. The panel will make the final decision on the awarding of scholarships.
- Final candidates must be available for **an interview on the afternoon of Wednesday, March 26<sup>th</sup> from 2-6pm**.
- Those receiving a scholarship should be available on Thursday, April 23rd at 7pm for an awards presentation.

### Instructions

1. Log-on to the SCV Education Foundation website and download the Applicant Data Sheet and the Scholarship Questionnaire ([www.scveducationfoundation.org/scholarships](http://www.scveducationfoundation.org/scholarships)).
2. Obtain your most recent transcript from your high school.
3. Obtain two letters of recommendation - one from a high school teacher or college professor and one from a professional (non-relative). Be sure to include a phone number and/or e-mail address to reach each person who recommended you for this scholarship. Reference letters should be limited to one page each.
4. **Mail the Applicant Data Sheet, the Scholarship Questionnaire, references and transcripts by Friday, March 6th at 5pm. Do not send via registered mail and DO NOT SEND DOCUMENTS SEPERATELY. Mail to:**

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