



Joseph McCord Memorial Scholarship

A scholarship for college-bound students who have a passion for history and social studies.
2020-2021 School Year | Due: Friday, Dec. 18, 2020



In Memory of Joseph McCord

1934-2014

Joseph McCord was a man with many interests, talents, and experiences. He was a graduate of the University of California Berkeley, with a major in English and a minor in Political Science. Among many other jobs, he served in the U.S. Army for 28 years. He was active politically and spent from 2008-2014 on the Peoria Unified School District Governing Board. Joe had a deep passion for history and he also had a strong commitment to community service. His wife Mary Lynn and the Peoria Education Foundation have established this scholarship in his honor to recognize a deserving senior who shares Joe's passion for history, politics, and giving back to the community.

Students interested in applying for the Joseph McCord Memorial Scholarship will need to write a 300-word essay and produce a letter of recommendation.

The scholarship will be presented to a minimum of one senior every school year in the amount of \$1,000, made payable to the recipient's chosen college, university or vocational/trade school upon confirmation of enrollment.

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Section I: Personal Information

Student Information

Name:	High School:	GPA:
Non-District Email:	Cell Phone Number:	
Home Address:		
City, State, Zip:		
Twitter Handle*:	Instagram Name*:	
School you plan to attend:	Area of Study:	
List clubs/sports/other:		
List extracurricular activities (outside of school):		

Parent/Guardian Information:

Name:	
Email Address:	Cell Phone Number:

**Note: We will not follow you, however we may tag you if you're a winner or communicate with you regarding your scholarship if address/phone number become outdated*

Section II: School Reference

School Counselor/Teacher Providing Recommendation:

Name:	
Email Address:	Cell Phone Number:

- Provide a letter of recommendation from a teacher or counselor.
- Include a current high school transcript from your counselor.

Principal Approval:

To be eligible, all applicants must be endorsed by an administrator (principal or assistant principal) at the student's high school. This application is endorsed by the following high school administrator:

Administrator Name: _____

Administrator Signature: _____ Date: _____

Section III: Demonstration of Leadership

Section III: Essay

- Write a 300-word essay on one of the options below. Please include how obtaining this scholarship will help you meet your future goals. Essays will be judged on content, grammar and punctuation.
 1. Describe what gave you your passion for history, what era of history excites you the most and why.
 2. Describe any event, person, or invention that has occurred in the past that inspires you to achieve excellence in your college life and beyond.
 3. How does history or politics play a role in your life now and how will it in the future?
 4. How does your passion for history influence who you are today?
 5. How will you apply this passion to your future goals?

Section IV: Instructions for Submission

- Provide a letter of recommendation from a teacher or counselor.

- Essay should be a 300 words.

- Include a current high school transcript from your counselor.

Please note the following:

- Applications will not be returned.
- Notification will be sent to students via email by **Spring Break**.
- Upon receiving an award, students will need to provide proof of enrollment in a post-secondary institution to the Foundation by **July 1, 2021**.
- All awards will be distributed directly to the post-secondary institution.
- All awards need to be claimed by **October 1, 2021**. Any unclaimed awards by that time will be lost and may be re-allocated to another student.

Return application with attachments to the Peoria Unified School District Office – 6330 W. Thunderbird Road, Glendale, AZ 85306 (Attn: Public Relations) by 4 p.m., Friday, Dec. 18, 2020

*NOTE: Incomplete Applications will NOT be considered.

Section VI: Application Acknowledgement

By signing, I acknowledge that this application is complete (all items in the appropriate section have been checked) and that all items listed in the appropriate section included. I understand I will not receive a returned copy of my application. If scholarship is awarded, my child's name will be shared in a media announcement from the Foundation.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

For questions, call 623-486-6100 or email pusdpr@pusd11.net.

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