

CESAR CHAVEZ SCHOLARSHIP

The Cesar Chavez Scholarship is available through the University of Central Missouri for a graduating high school senior of the Kansas City metropolitan area (see below for eligible counties) planning to attend the University of Central Missouri.

The Cesar Chavez Scholarship totals \$15,000 and is distributed over four years/eight semesters (\$3750 per year). This scholarship can be used to cover direct costs the student will incur for attendance at UCM. Funds can be applied to tuition and fees, housing or books. Scholarships can be reduced on a student-by-student basis if grant and scholarship funding received is more than the direct cost to the student.

Background Information:

The Cesar Chavez Scholarship was established to provide a scholarship for a graduating high school senior of a Kansas City metropolitan high school who plans to attend the University of Central Missouri. During Hispanic Heritage Day, April 22, 2004, Governor Bob Holden recognized UCM with a proclamation for establishing this scholarship (the first of its kind in the State of Missouri). The first annual Cesar Chavez Scholarship was presented April 24, 2004, at the Guadalupe Center in Kansas City, Missouri at the annual Cesar Chavez Festival.

Criteria:

To be eligible to apply, a student must:

- a. be a graduating senior of a high school located in the Kansas City metropolitan area (see eligible counties below);
- b. be accepted to the University of Central Missouri;
- c. be a U.S. citizen or hold legal immigration status
- d. be involved with and influenced by the Hispanic /community;
- e. have a minimum high school cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale following the seventh semester of high school;
- f. demonstrate financial need as defined by the FBS (Fee Application for Federal Student Aid);
- g. FAFSA must be filed by April 1 of each year.

* Eligible Kansas City, MO counties include Cass, Clay, Jackson, Johnson, Platte.

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* Recipient(s) of the Cesar Chavez Scholarship must achieve a minimum of a 2.0 GPA and maintain full

5. Attach a list of high school and community organizations to which you belong (list leadership roles when applicable).
6. Include a statement explaining your involvement in the Hispanic community and the influence it has had on you.

7. “The end of all education should surely be service to others.” – Cesar Chavez

In an essay of no more than 500 words answer the following questions as they relate to this statement. How does this statement apply to your life?; and How have you exemplified or plan to exemplify this statement?

8. Attach two letters of recommendation, one of which must come from your high school.

Personal Financial Statement – indicate your estimated budget for the **next school year**.

Costs		Resources	
Tuition and required fees		Personal Savings	
Books, instructional material		Part-time earnings during academic year	
Room and board		Aid from parents/guardians	
Clothing expenses		Other Scholarships/Grants	
Personal and recreational		Other Resources	