



The Aspire Scholarship: Application Form



*PINAY ASPIRATIONS is offering **The Aspire Scholarship** to a graduating high school senior girl of Filipina descent. The Aspire Scholarship recipient receives \$1000 and a mentor for one year. Qualifying Pinays must attend college within the 2009/2010 academic year and demonstrate personal hardship, a strong potential for success, and Filipino pride .*



ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

1. High school senior girl of Filipina descent who is proud of her Filipino-American culture
2. Qualifying Pinay must attend college within the 2009/2010 academic year
3. Must demonstrate personal hardship and a strong potential for success
4. You will need to be available for an interview in the May 2009

APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS:

Submit all documentation to Pinay Aspirations on time. Incomplete applications will not be evaluated. This application becomes complete and valid only when Pinay Aspirations has received all of the following materials:

- The Aspire Scholarship Application
- Essay Questions
- Teacher Recommendation
- School Transcripts

All documentation must be addressed to:

The Aspire Scholarship
c/o Pinay Aspirations
1800 Bryant St., Suite 212
San Francisco, CA 94110

All applications must be postmarked by February 27, 2009.

If you have any questions on any portion of this application, please contact:

Pinay Aspirations
E-mail: pinay.aspirations@gmail.com
Telephone: (510) 757-5088 or (415) 861-4451



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TYPE OR PRINT ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION EXCEPT FOR SIGNATURES.
APPLICATION POSTMARK DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 27, 2009

PART 1: PERSONAL INFORMATION

Last Name	First	Middle Initial
Address		
City	State	Zip Code
Phone (<i>home/cell/work</i>)	Date of Birth	
E-mail Address		

High School Information

Name of High School		
City	State	Zip Code
Phone	When do you plan on starting college? Mo/Year	

Name of colleges/universities you have applied to and indicate the major/course of study.

School	City, State	Major or course of study

Work Experience

Company	Hours per week	Position	Period worked (mo/yr to mo/yr)



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List extracurricular activities and community activities in which you have participated during the past four years and any academic awards and honors received.

Activity	Special Awards / Honors	Offices Held	Year(s) of Participation

PART 2: ESSAY TOPICS (REQUIRED)

Please respond to the following questions. A maximum of 300 words for each question.

1. How has a family or personal circumstance interfered with you attaining an achievement in school, work or your participation in school and community activities?
2. Describe a personal hardship (e.g. family or personal) you encountered, how you overcame it and how it has made you a better person.
3. Describe a personal success (e.g. academic, family or extracurricular activities), how you achieved it and what you learned from it.
4. Why are you proud to be a Filipino-American? How do you plan on contributing to the Filipino community in the future?
5. If a genie granted you three (3) wishes (one each for yourself, your family and your community) what would you wish for?

PART 3: TRANSCRIPT INFORMATION

All applicants must include an official high school transcript of grades and have this section completed by the appropriate school official.

Cumulative Grade Point Average

Weighted (4.0 Scale)	Unweighted (4.0 Scale)
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School Official's Address

Address		
City	State	Zip Code



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PART 4: APPLICATION CERTIFICATION

Pinay Aspirations is responsible for selecting recipients based on criteria as set forth in the Aspire Scholarship Application Instructions. This scholarship application becomes the property of Pinay Aspirations and will not be returned. (It is recommended that you keep a copy for your files.)

I acknowledge decisions of the Pinay Aspirations are final. I certify that I meet the basic eligibility requirements of the scholarship program as described in the application and that the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____



The Aspire Scholarship Application
Teacher Recommendation

PART 1: APPLICANT INFORMATION

Last Name	First	Middle Initial
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PART 2: TEACHER INFORMATION

Last Name	First
Relationship to Applicant	

PART 3: RECOMMENDATION

You have been asked to provide information in support of this scholarship application. Please comment on one or more of the following. Include the name of the applicant at the top of the recommendation. When complete, please return to applicant in a sealed envelope with your signature placed across the seal.

1. Describe the applicant's ability to set realistic goals and how she has achieved those goals.
 2. Describe how the applicant has demonstrated academic or community leadership.
 3. Provide an example that demonstrates the applicant's will power, personal strength, and drive.
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