

# 2020 SAMOAN CULTURAL CELEBRATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT

## OVERVIEW

\$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to this year's high school seniors who are of Samoan or part-Samoan heritage and plan to enroll in college/university for Fall 2020 Semester. The scholarships are sponsored by the Samoan Cultural Celebration Committee, a group affiliated with the Asia Pacific Culture Center (APCC) in Tacoma, Washington. Seniors attending high schools in the State of Washington are encouraged to apply.

To apply online, go to: [www.asiapacificculturalcenter.org](http://www.asiapacificculturalcenter.org) under the Samoan Scholarships Application. Completed applications can be printed and mailed to: "2020 Samoan Scholarships, ATTN: Lua Pritchard, Executive Director, APCC" in the subject line, address: 4851 South Tacoma Way, Tacoma, WA, 98409. You may also email your completed application to: [faalua@comcast.net](mailto:faalua@comcast.net). If you have any questions, contact Mattye Evans at [mberryevans@mercyhousing.org](mailto:mberryevans@mercyhousing.org), cell: 253-208-8769.

Applications are also available with high school senior counselors, church Pastors, and from the APCC central desk at 4851 South Tacoma Way, Tacoma, WA, 98409.

## ELIGIBILITY

- Must be of Samoan or part-Samoan heritage
- Senior attending any high school in the State of Washington
- Minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA
- Letter of Acceptance to a 2- or 4-year college, university, or trade school

## REQUIREMENT

- Complete the entire application and the attached (3) three Essay Questions.
- Provide a certified high school transcript, to be mailed by the high school to: Samoan Scholarships Committee c/o Mrs. Lua Pritchard, Asia Pacific Cultural Center, 4851 South Tacoma Way, Tacoma, WA, 98409
- Two letters of Recommendations from a school official (teacher, counselor, or coach), church official, or community member who knows you.
- Application package is due June 1, 2020.

**PROCESS & DEADLINE (The timeline of deadlines given below is firm. Applicants are expected to meet the due dates, no excuses or requests for delays.)**

- June 1, 2020: Application packet due date
- June 6, 2020: Applications Review by Scholarship Committee
- June 7 – 12: Applicants interview with panel of scholarship committee members.
- June 13, 2020: Final Selection of Scholarship Recipients
- June 14, 2020: Notification to Recipients via mail and email
- Friday, July 31, 2020: Community Dinner/Sharon McGavick Hall-Clover Park Tech. College

**RETURN COMPLETED APPLICATION WITH ALL REQUIREMENTS ENCLOSED IN A SEALED ENVELOPE TO:**

Samoan Scholarship Awards Committee  
Attn: Lua Pritchard, Executive Director  
Asia Pacific Cultural Center  
4851 South Tacoma Way, Tacoma, WA 98409

# 2020 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth:      Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

## Contact Information:

Mailing Address - Street:

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City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone Number: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Parents or Legal Guardians:

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Mailing Address of Parents or Legal Guardians (if different from above):

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Contact Information of Parents or Legal Guardians: Phone:

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Email:

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## High School Education

Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA): \_\_\_\_\_ (On a 4.0 scale)

Are you the first person in your immediate family to go to college/university:

YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School

\_\_\_\_\_

Address of High School:

\_\_\_\_\_

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List any student groups, after-school programs, and academic awards while in high school:

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## Volunteer Work and Other Interests

List your hobbies and community volunteer work (i.e. family, church, sports, etc.):

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List your service and extra curricula awards (i.e. church, sports, community organizations):

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## College, University or Trade School

List colleges/universities you have been accepted to:

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If you have not been accepted to any colleges/universities, list up to 2 that you have applied to and are waiting for acceptance:

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Choose **ONE** of the following majors you are interested in. Write in if interested major is not listed.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Accounting       | <input type="checkbox"/> History           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business         | <input type="checkbox"/> Math              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications   | <input type="checkbox"/> Music             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Computer Science | <input type="checkbox"/> Political Science |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural Studies | <input type="checkbox"/> Psychology        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering      | <input type="checkbox"/> Science           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> English          | <input type="checkbox"/> _____             |

On a separate sheet of paper, please write an essay (1/2 page or more for each question) answering the questions below. All responses must be typed or print clearly.

1. Describe how volunteer work or community service has shaped who you are today.
2. Discuss any challenges you have dealt with family, school, church, social settings, and how you handled them. Explain how this experience would help you succeed in college, career and life.
3. Describe your life in being Samoan or part-Samoan, Faasamoa, culture and language practices in your family, church, and community.