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Name of Applicant:

First

Middle

Last

SEVERO Y GRUPO FUEGO

SOY NUEVO MEXICANO



SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Applications must be postmarked by March 15, 2024

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Received by Date:

Students from the following northern New Mexico high schools may apply: Espanola Valley, Pojoaque, McCurdy, Escalante, Dulce, Coronado, Mesa Vista, Peñasco, Questa, and Taos.

❖ Scholarships will be awarded as follows:

- (2) \$1,000.00 scholarships
- (6) \$500.00 scholarships

Only applicants meeting eligibility criteria will be considered for a scholarship.

Scholarship can be used for tuition and other institution charges.

Scholarship Eligibility – Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Be a graduating senior from one of the following northern New Mexico high schools: Espanola Valley, Pojoaque, McCurdy, Escalante, Dulce, Coronado, Mesa Vista, Peñasco, Questa, and Taos.
- Have a high school cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher.
- Plan to enroll as a full-time student for the 2024 Fall Semester at a 2 or 4 year college of student’s choice.
- Show a strong connection to being raised in a rural town with a desire to give back to their community and financial need. This will be addressed in an essay.
- Provide two letters of recommendation demonstrating applicant’s academic ability, character, passion and motivation to attend college and give back to New Mexico.

Please note that the scholarships are very competitive and the criteria listed for these scholarships represent the minimum requirements to be considered and do not guarantee an award.

DEADLINE

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SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY

	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>
Are you a graduating senior from a listed Northern New Mexico PUBLIC or CHARTER High School?	Yes	No
Do you have a High School cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher?	Yes	No
Do you plan to enroll as full-time status for the 2024 Fall Semester at a 2 or 4 year college?	Yes	No

ESSAY

Compose and type a concise essay between 800 to 1,000 words.

No handwritten essays will be accepted. Please use Times New Roman, 12 inch font and double spaced.

Within essay please express the following:

- ❖ Why are you proud to be New Mexican and what do you love about being from New Mexico?
- ❖ What values and traditions have helped shaped the person you are today?
- ❖ What are your educational intentions, goals and how do you plan to give back to our state and your community?
- ❖ Describe your financial needs (i.e. family's financial constraints, number of other siblings still supported at home, amount of financial support provided by family or self-support).

Essays will be judged as follows:

- Subject Content: 50%
- Originality: 30%
- Grammar & Composition: 20%

PLEASE INCLUDE WITH APPLICATION THE FOLLOWING:

A. Official High School Transcripts: **One sealed transcript** with signature to verify (GPA). **Only submit one transcript, copies not necessary.**

B. Two (2) letters of recommendation

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

A. Applicants must send four (4) unbound copies of their full application.

B. Mail to the address below in a 9 x 12 manila envelope. **DO NOT FOLD!**

The above statements are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant Signature (If 18 yrs of age or older) _____

Date_____

Parent or Guardian Signature (Only if not 18 years of age) _____

Date_____

APPLICATION CHECKLIST (To be filled out by Student):

****PLEASE NOTE:** You must include FOUR (4) copies of your ENTIRE application.

- Completed Application
- Two letters of recommendation
- Essay
- FOUR (4) unbound copies of ALL of the above
- **Official Transcript: One sealed transcript with signature to verify (GPA) Only submit one transcript, copies not necessary**

ONLY COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKETS WILL BE CONSIDERED!

Completed applications should be mailed to:

Soy Nuevo Mexicano Scholarship Fund

5640 Isleta Blvd SW

Albuquerque, NM 87105

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