

Guzmán Family Scholarship

Introduction

The Guzmán family immigrated to Chelsea from Costa Rica. Seven of twelve siblings, with little education or opportunity, risked everything to move to the United States. They worked back-breaking jobs, struggled to learn English, and faced discrimination, all in pursuit of the American Dream. They planted roots and made a home for their children in Chelsea. They passed on the values of their father, the patriarch of the family, a humble man who valued family above all else.

We, their children, attended and/or graduated from Chelsea High School beginning in 1973 and lasting through 1992. Along the way, many teachers, coaches, guidance counselors and administrators helped create and mold a vision of opportunity through education. Today, the extended Guzmán family totals well over 100 people, spanning various parts of the United States and the world. We have pursued careers in numerous disciplines including education, law, law enforcement, medicine, military, public relations, real-estate and technology. We carry our Chelsea experiences wherever we go and have built a future rooted in education and family. We wholeheartedly share a commitment to honor the memory and sacrifices made by our parents, and a responsibility to help a new generation from Chelsea, by extending this scholarship to a future college-bound Chelsea High School graduate.

Criteria

The criteria for the scholarship honors the values we hold dear, family and education. It is intended for the student who is enthusiastic about the possibilities afforded by higher education and their appreciation of family. The award is for a student attending an accredited two or four year College / University.

The application process will require an essay of less than 6,000 characters (about 1000 words or less) describing how family and education have impacted you.

Award Amount

A one-time amount of **\$5,100** will be awarded for 2017.

Selection Process

The Guzmán Scholarship committee will review all applications and nominate the recipient. The award will be presented during the Chelsea High School graduation ceremony. A minimum of 10 applications are necessary for the funds to be disbursed.

Deadline

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS APRIL 28th, 2017, 2:30pm EST. Applications received after the deadline will not be accepted.

Instructions

The application must be submitted online by clicking the following link:
[Guzmán Family Scholarship Application](https://goo.gl/forms/IXadJkmusju9OBg02) (https://goo.gl/forms/IXadJkmusju9OBg02)

Please fill out all the sections of the application. The applicant may update their submitted application at any time until the application deadline. Only one application per applicant will be considered. Any questions should be sent via email to: guzmanscholarship@gmail.com.

One Letter of Recommendation (preferably a Guidance Counselor, Teacher or Coach) should be emailed to guzmanscholarship@gmail.com