



Connecting you to the Greater Quad Cities Latino Community!

## 2016 Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Paul Lensmeyer Future Leaders Scholarship Entry Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
*Last First MI*

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

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Applying for the High School Scholarship ☐ Applying for the Non-traditional Scholarship

High School Graduation Date (Expected date if still enrolled): \_\_\_\_\_

College(s) or Vocational School Planning to Attend: \_\_\_\_\_

### Sworn Statement

I swear the attached essay is my original work, and all other personal information included above or on my resume is accurate and true. I understand the essay and resume become the property of The Greater Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce. It may be used in cooperation with promotional activities or other uses deemed appropriate by The Greater Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce.

I, by signing below, give The Greater Quad Cities Chamber of Commerce permission to use my name and photo in promotional activities related to the scholarship competition, if I am selected the winner.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Send the entry form, Essay, and Resume' to the following address.**

**All entries must be postmarked no later than March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.**

***Paul Lensmeyer Future Leaders Scholarship Competition***

***Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce***

***PO Box 142***

***Moline, IL 61266***

If you have any additional questions, please contact us at 309-797-8650.



## **GQCHCC Scholarship Program Rules, Regulations and Entry Procedures**

The Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce proudly announces the Paul Lensmeyer Future Leadership Scholarship. The scholarship is made possible by a generous donation from Ascentra Credit Union to honor the legacy of their late CEO Paul Lensmeyer who created opportunities for Hispanic members and staff during his time at the credit union.

The GQCHCC's scholarship program is designed to offer students opportunities at a variety of educational institutions from community college to graduate level programs to trades schools. Our goal is to invest in the future of the community by preparing aspiring professionals and entrepreneurs for the challenges of the future economy.

### **Paul Lensmeyer Future Leader Scholarship**

The scholarship provides (2) two \$500 awards.

#### **I. Eligibility:**

1. These scholarship is open to Hispanic students and students looking to working with or to advance the Hispanic community.
  - 🌐 The high school scholarship is open to any high school student classifies as either a junior or senior, with a projected graduation of at the completion of the following fall or spring semester.

OR

- 🌐 The non-traditional scholarship will be awarded to a student entering an accredited undergraduate, graduate or vocational program.
2. Minimum GPA of 2.5.
  3. A dependent of or employee of a company that is a member of the Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. (Search the GQCHCC Member Directory to see if your school or parent's company is a member or call to find out if you are eligible).
  4. Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce directors, employees and their family members are ineligible to participate in the scholarship competition.

You will be automatically considered for this scholarship based on your completed general application. The general application will be updated every year at [www.gqchcc.com/Scholarship](http://www.gqchcc.com/Scholarship).








## II. Entry Requirements

A) Entrants are required to write an essay of approximately 500 words on the topic:

***“How do you encourage people to honor the uniqueness of each individual and their culture?”***

The essay must be typed or computer printed, double spaced on white 8-1/2 x 11 inch paper. It must be the original work of the entrant.

B) A business-style resume, typewritten or computer printed on an 8-1/2 x 11-inch piece of white paper must be submitted by each entrant. No photos should be included. The resume should not exceed two pages in length, and at a minimum, contain the following information:

-  Entrant's name
-  Address
-  Phone number
-  Educational information (including high school attended)
-  Subjects emphasized throughout entrant's education
-  Extra-curricular activities
-  Non-traditional entrants should submit any past college education and major or degree.

C) Entrants must complete and sign an official entry form.

D) All scholarship entries become the exclusive property of the Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and will not be returned.

E) All entries must be postmarked no later than March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016.

## III. Administrative/Award Procedures

A) Scholarship winners must begin studies within one year after the award of the scholarship or may be required to forfeit the award in the absence of extenuating circumstance.

B) Scholarship funds will be held by the Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce until written verification is received from the college or vocational school registrar where the student is enrolled. At that time, the winner's check will be made payable to both the winner and the college, and forwarded to the college.

C) Funds are to be used only for tuition, room and board, books and educational supplies.



#### **IV. Authority of the Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce**

- A) The GQCHCC has ultimate authority to amend any of the above rules to ensure fairness in the award of the scholarships.
- B) Any questions regarding the scholarship should be addressed in writing to the address mentioned below in Section V C.

#### **V. Judging**

- A) Judges will be selected by the Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. Results will be tabulated by Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce staff and declared. All decisions of the Greater Quad Cities Hispanic Chamber of Commerce are final. Winners will be announced our e-newsletter, website, social media and a news release will be made available to local media.
- B) Each judge will award a maximum of 60 points to the essay, a maximum of 20 points to the resume, and a maximum of 15 points to the profile/background.

Scores for the essay will be based on:

1. clarity
2. grammar and punctuation
3. meaningful content
4. neatness
5. originality
6. spelling

The resume will be judged on the following:

1. presentation
2. potential of the students to be successful in college

Profile/Background:

1. extracurricular activities
2. volunteer services
3. work experience

- C) All entries must be postmarked no later than **March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016**. Entries must be sent to:

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