

West Fresno Ministerial Alliance

Rev. Chester Riggins Scholarship

(To complete this application please download or print the necessary information following.)

The West Fresno Ministerial Alliance is offering an opportunity for young men and women to receive the Rev. Chester Riggins Scholarship. Rev. Riggins exemplified the qualities of service and steward leadership within our community. This page includes an application for graduating high school seniors, prospective and current university and college/technical school students. All applications should be typed or neatly written.

Application Requirements:

Applicants must:

- 1.) Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.
- 2.) Be a graduating high school senior, prospective or current university, or college/technical school student in good standing.
- 3.) Be a **current** member of a local church or ministry

Application Materials:

Each application form must be filled out in its entirety including the following:

- 1.) A completed application form
- 2.) Two letters of recommendation completed by teacher, mentor, and guidance Counselor, employer, community leader or other adult (non family member), who knows you well, are familiar with your goals and accomplishments and who can attest to your desire to further your education. **At least one recommendation letter should be completed by a Pastor.**
- 3.) A 2 page essay (essay must be typed using 12 point font size and double spaced).
- 4.) The applicant's **most recent official sealed** school transcript for all institutions attended including work in progress for this semester.
- 5.) A recent photo

Submission: Applications are due to the WFMA Scholarship Committee no later than December 1, 2011 by 5:00pm.

Selection Process:

Applications will be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee. Selection is based on academic achievement, school and civic activities, and financial need.

Recipient Responsibilities:

Recipients must attend an accredited or reputable institution of higher learning, and be a full-time student. Scholarship monies will be awarded upon notice of acceptance from the institution and submission of an official Fall 2011 Semester Transcript showing completion of 12 semester units or more to the WFMA. Award amounts will be posted on this website soon.

**Questions? Contact Pastor Jymme Foote at (559) 291-5137 or
info@weservefresno.org**

**WFMA - Rev. Chester Riggins
Scholarship**

Name: _____
Last First Middle

Permanent Address: _____
Street Number City State Zip

Present Mailing Address:
_____ *(if different from above)*
Street Number City State Zip

Telephone () - _____ () - _____
Home Alternate

E-mail _____ Social Security # XXX-XX-_____
(last four digits)

Date of Birth _____ Birthplace _____

Male _____ Female _____

Church membership _____ How long? _____

Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s):		
Name	Occupation	Highest Level of Education
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

First Generation College Student? ___Yes ___No

Will you be entering college as a: (please check one)

- ___ Freshman College: _____
- ___ Transfer Student College Transferring to: _____
- ___ Continuing Student College and Year: _____
- ___ Technical School School: _____

List All High Schools and Colleges Attended to Date:

School City Years Attended Diploma/Degree

Cumulative GPA (4.0 scale): _____

High School Applicants

SAT SAT SAT SAT
Total _____ Critical Reading _____ Math _____ Writing _____

(Reported scores should be from the same test date; do not combine best scores for a new composite.)

ACT composite _____

Expected Date of College Graduation: _____ Major: _____

Career Goal: _____

Honors, School and Extra-Curricular Activities

List Employment History to Date:

Employer Dates of Employment Job Title/Duties Hrs/wk

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Essay

Provide a 2 page essay on **one** of the three topics below. The essay must be typed, 12-point font size, and double-spaced.

- 1.) How has your education contributed to who you are today?
- 2.) Describe your most meaningful achievements and how they relate to your field of study and your future goals.
- 3.) What legacy would you like to leave to your family and community?

Optional: Is there anything that this application did not cover, such as any unusual circumstances, which may have affected your achievements, which you would like the Scholarship Ministry Team to consider?

I, certify that the information given in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, both accurate and complete.

In the event that I am selected to receive a scholarship, I authorize West Fresno Ministerial Alliance, to announce and publicize my scholarship award in any manner the Scholarship Committee considers reasonable.

Signature

Date

Signature of parent or guardian (if applicant is a minor)

Date

Thank You

May God bless your efforts to strive to “serve the Lord with gladness” being all you can be!

**Pastor Jymme Foote, President
WFMA Rev. Chester Riggins Scholarship Team**

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Letter of Recommendation

For the Student:

Student's Name: _____

Address _____
Street City State Zip

For the Recommender:

The West Fresno Ministerial Alliance Scholarship Committee would appreciate your candid evaluation of the above listed applicant. We are interested in what you feel is pertinent information about this candidate's strengths and weaknesses as related to future academic and personal achievement.

Recommender's Name: Mr./Mrs./Ms. _____

Position: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

How long have you known the applicant and in what context? _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____