



Community Connections Alumni Scholarship FAQ

Deadline to Submit: Monday, May 24, 2021 by 9PM

How do I know if I qualify for the scholarship?

You qualify if you attended LA's BEST for any length of time during elementary school and are currently involved in an organization that serves the greater Los Angeles community.

How do you define "involved with an organization"?

Applicants should be active supporters and/or participants in a community organization. It is not required to be employed by a community organization in order to qualify for the scholarship.

How many times can I submit an application? If I applied for a previous LA's BEST scholarship, can I submit an application?

Each individual can only submit one application. Previous applicants who qualify for the Community Connections Alumni Scholarship are encouraged to submit an application. Winners of previous scholarships are not eligible.

Can my family and friends apply for the scholarship, too?

Of course! If you know anyone who fits the criteria, we encourage you to spread the word.

How do I submit a video if I want to include it with my application?

Upload your video to Youtube and set visibility to private. Please share the video link with mina.afayee@lacity.org. To learn more about video submission guidelines please go [here](#).

How do I submit a visual document with my application?

Upload your document to GoogleDrive and make sure to share the document with mina.afayee@lacity.org and give editing permissions. Copy and paste the link in Section 5 of the application.

Is it necessary to include a video or a visual document with my application?

Applicants are only required to submit an essay. The additional documents are optional and an opportunity for applicants to express themselves in other ways.

In addition to my essay, can I submit a video and a visual document?

Applicants may submit both a video and visual document with their application, but neither are required.

Who are the judges and how will my submission be judged?

The judging committee consists of leaders in the Los Angeles community. The submissions will be judged on their compelling nature - their ability to express goals and stories passionately.

How and when will the winner receive the \$500 scholarship?

The winner will receive a \$500 check from LA's BEST by the end of July.

When will the winner be announced?

The winner will be announced in June!

What can the scholarship money be used for?

The scholarship money must be used to support your service with the community organization, such as but not limited to: transportation to and from your service, materials needed, classes or training and/or funding a philanthropic initiative that will serve Los Angeles.

Other questions? Email mina.afayee@lacity.org