

### Port Authority Hispanic Society 2022 Book Award Application Honoring Elizabeth Reyes

As part of our continued support of higher education the Port Authority Hispanic Society (PAHS) is proud to announce that we are accepting applications for our 2022 Elizabeth Reyes- Book Award Scholarship program. In honor of Elizabeth Reyes, former President and dedicated PAHS member, we will grant awards to students to help pay for college textbooks.

This year, PAHS will award scholarships ranging from \$400 to \$600 to college-bound graduating high school seniors and college students. The deadline for scholarship submission is August 31, 2022. Book Award winners will be selected based on several criteria which include academic performance, demonstrated community service, merit, and professional goals (career and/or academic).

#### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- Enrollment in a full-time accredited university or college for the 2022-2023 academic year.
- Demonstrate outstanding academic performance by submitting a copy of an unofficial transcript with a GPA average of a B or 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale).
- Theme Essay- Please submit an essay (up to 250 words) about someone you admire and why.
- Personal Essay- Please submit an essay (500 words) about your professional aspirations and goals, such as
  where you would expect to be in five years, how your degree(s) can impact your future, and/or what your
  dream job is.
- Provide two professional letters of recommendation from an academic, employment and/or volunteer reference.
- Resume
- E-mail a completed 2022 Book Award application, along with all required documentation by August 31, 2022.
- Signed Agreement

Failure to submit **all** criteria listed above, (*not submitting a completed application and agreement*) will disqualify an applicant from being considered for the Book Award Scholarship. If you require additional information or have any questions, please contact the PAHS Scholarship Committee at: <a href="mailto:pahs@panynj.gov">pahs@panynj.gov</a>

#### **Final Selection:**

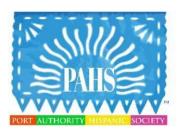
The selection process is based on a scoring system of the applicant's complete submission. Applicants who are selected as winner (s) will be contacted by the "PAHS Selection Committee." Winners will be presented with the PAHS Book Award Scholarship at the annual PAHS Breakfast celebrating Hispanic Heritage month in October 2022. All decisions by the PAHS Selection Committee are final.

\*If selected as a finalist, students must be able to provide the following:

- 1) proof of school enrollment for Fall 2022 semester.
- 2) a professional headshot photo; and
- 3) a short biography including your major, university/college of choice and aspirations.

\*\* This application is open to all students who meet our eligibility requirements. Students sponsored by a PAHS member will receive an additional weight on their application.

\*\*\*Port Authority of New York & New Jersey/PATH employees are <u>not</u> eligible to apply; however, family members are welcome to apply as long as they meet eligibility requirements.



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Full Name:
Mailing Address:
Telephone Number: ()
Email:
Date of Birth:
College/University Name:
Major:
GPA:
Current Grade Level:
Grade Level as of 2022-2023 Academic Year:
Extracurricular Activities
Leadership Positions (Ex. President of Student Council, etc.) and explanation of responsibilities:



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### **Agreement:**

Please read and initial each to indicate your acknowledgment and agreement with the terms of the PAHS Selection Committee. Include this page with your application.
<ul> <li>By initialing and submitting an award application you agree to accept and abide by all eligibility requirements, application requirements, and award stipulations. Decisions of the award committee shall be deemed final.</li> <li>PAHS Book Award recipients will allow PAHS to use their photograph and personal information for advertising on our website.</li> </ul>
PAHS Book Award Scholarship recipient affirms to use Book Award towards books.
Are you a friend or a relative of a PAHS Member? YN_  If yes, please list the name of the PAHS Member:
Applicant Signature: Date:



# **Submission Checklist**

- Application
- Unofficial transcript
- Theme Essay (250 words)
- Personal Essay (500 words)
- Two Letters of Recommendation
- Resume
- Signed Agreement

# **Submission Requirements**

- Email application package no later than August 31st, 2022 to pahs@panynj.gov
- Application and all supporting documents to be submitted as attachments within a single email. We will **NOT** download from google drive or any other share drives.
- Application and all supporting documents shall reference the applicant's name, school and major.
- Application and attachments shall be adobe (.pdf) or word (.docx) files. Picture format such as .jpeg will not be accepted.
- All file names shall include applicant's name.