

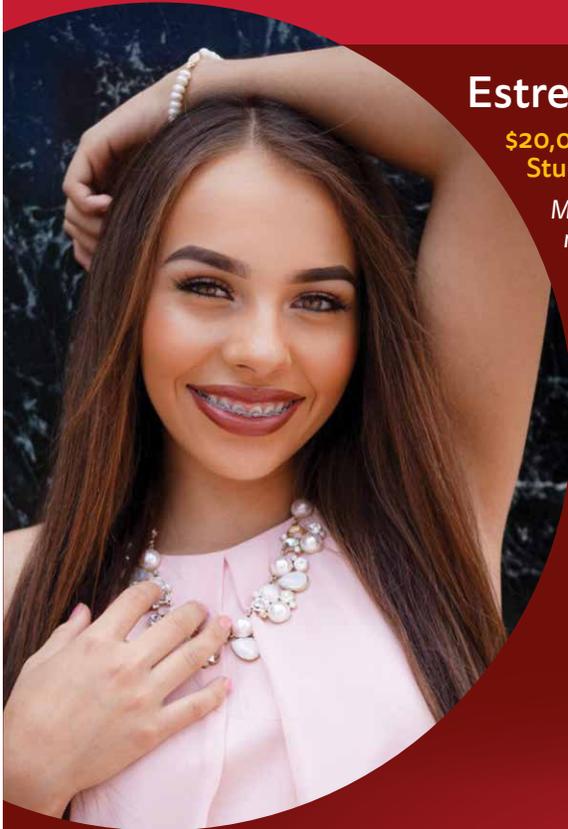
APPLICATION DEADLINE

January 21,
2020

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LANL SCHOLARS

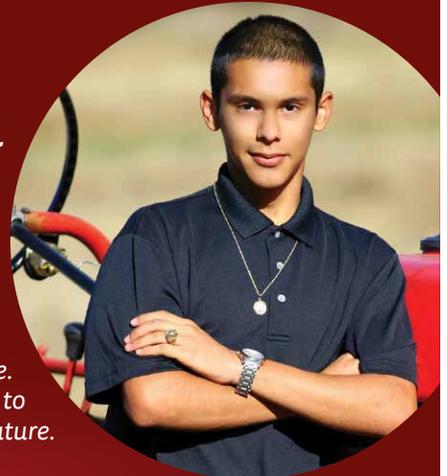
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Estrella Torres

**\$20,000 Gold Scholarship, Pojoaque Valley High School
Studying chemical engineering at Dartmouth College**

My goal is to create a more efficient fuel source that will not only benefit people but Earth itself. I also want to show society that dreams can be made reality as long as you try and never give up. This scholarship encourages me to do more and never stop.



Caleb Vigil

**\$15,000 Silver Scholarship,
West Las Vegas High School
Studying mechanical engineering at New Mexico Institute of Mining & Technology**

I hope to one day help create a more efficient way to obtain renewable energy and to make it available to as many people as possible. This scholarship shows my dedication to a better education and a better future.



Mariah Gonzales

**\$10,000 John & Marti Browne Leadership Scholarship,
Española Valley High School
Studying English at Northern Arizona University**

My goal is to travel abroad and teach children without proper educational opportunities. This scholarship acknowledges the commitment I have in my community and my passion for helping others.

The LANL Foundation provides scholarships to Northern New Mexico students to help them realize their dreams of attending college and pursuing meaningful careers.

In 1998, the LANL Foundation and a group of Los Alamos National Laboratory employees established the Los Alamos Employees' Scholarship Fund (LAESF). The program continues to grow, guided by the belief that continued learning creates a vital and skilled workforce that will support the needs of local families, communities, and our shared future.

In the past 21 years, LANL and Lab employees, contractors and retirees along with local businesses and community members have contributed to build a sustainable scholarship fund. This generosity has made possible more than **1,600 scholarships worth over \$7 million** for local students attending accredited institutions across the country.

These scholarships help create new opportunities and change the lives of students working toward their personal mission.



Scholarship Eligibility

Any permanent resident of Northern New Mexico* with at least a 3.25 cumulative unweighted grade point average (GPA), and scores of 18 ACT or 940 SAT (combined Math plus Critical Reading only), who is enrolling in or currently attending an accredited post-secondary educational institution is eligible to apply.

Applicant Criteria

Student applications are evaluated by the LAESF Advisory Committee that considers academic achievement, leadership, and commitment to service. Students pursuing a degree in a science, technology, engineering, or math-related field, or other fields important to the future success of Northern New Mexico, will be given priority consideration for the top-level \$20,000 awards.

Diversity and regional representation are also integral components of the selection process.

Academic Achievement

Students are expected to have challenged themselves as fully as their school allows in both quantity and quality of courses selected. High school seniors are encouraged to continue taking a full and rigorous academic load through completion of their senior year to maintain a competitive edge in both college and scholarship programs. Academic transcripts, grade point average, and standardized test scores also provide the basis for evaluation of applicants.



Ashlyn Lovato

\$10,000 John & Marti Browne Leadership Scholarship, Santa Fe Indian School
Studying ethnic studies at Brown University

My goal is to create a class focusing on the importance of identity, policies and historical events regarding Pueblo legal history, beneficial for Pueblo students. This scholarship will help me achieve my goals and I am honored for my recognition as a leader.

Zachary Ginn

\$20,000 Gold Scholarship, Taos High School
Studying organismal biology & ecology at Colorado College

I hope to pursue graduate school and study the diverse impacts of climate change on ecosystems worldwide. This generous scholarship will help alleviate the crushing pressure of student loan debt. It will help me follow my passions and become the leader I am meant to be.

Leadership Potential

The applicant's leadership potential and experience, inclusive of demonstrated initiative and responsibility, are evaluated by letters of recommendation, a personal interview, and other components of the application. Extracurricular activities at school and in the community are also valued.

Commitment to Service

Well-qualified applicants will have a long-standing record of meaningful service and express an intention to continue giving back in the future.

Financial Need

LAESF provides merit-based scholarships, however, to truly gauge a student's ability, the Advisory Committee does take into consideration financial background and life challenges. It is strongly recommended that all applicants address the financial need and special circumstances application questions.

**For the purpose of these scholarships, Northern New Mexico includes Los Alamos, Mora, Rio Arriba, San Miguel, Sandoval, Santa Fe, and Taos counties. A permanent resident is defined as someone whose official residence has been established within the counties identified above for 366 consecutive days. U.S. citizenship is not required.*

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Awards

In 2019, 116 students were awarded \$773,000 in scholarships! Each year, the number and amount of awards are dependent upon available funds. Your application will automatically allow you to be considered for any award for which you are eligible.

LAESF has a variety of different scholarships that range from \$1,000 for a single year up to \$20,000 over four years for students pursuing undergraduate degrees in **any field of study.**

Some awards highlight qualifications such as:

- Science, technology, engineering, and math degrees
- First-generation college students
- Native American students
- Outstanding leadership and merit
- Higher financial need
- Resiliency and determination
- Residency in certain communities

Additional information about award levels and other scholarship opportunities may be found at lanlfoundation.org/scholarships.



Javier McTeigue-Vasquez

\$10,000 Domenici Scholarship,
Los Alamos High School
Studying computer science
at Wheaton College

My goal is to innovate other fields of science with computer science and help improve individual and National security from my education. This scholarship allows Hispanic students such as myself to pursue opportunities without worrying about finances and furthers my ability to train in order to become a leader in my community.

Internship Opportunities

Each year, many scholarship recipients have the opportunity to work as summer interns at Los Alamos National Laboratory. The LAESF Advisory Committee and the Lab make every effort to match students with a mentor in their field of interest. However, due to the limited number of available positions, not every applicant may be placed, and some students may initially work in areas not closely aligned with their career goals.

For more information visit lanl.gov/careers. LANL is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer, however employment is not guaranteed.

How to Apply

Students interested in becoming a LANL Scholar must submit a complete application form and supporting materials by the **January 21, 2020 deadline**. The application form is available online at lanlfoundation.org/scholarships after October 1, 2019.

Application Portfolio Requirements

- Official academic transcript(s)
- ACT or SAT I scores
- SAT II scores, if available
- Two letters of recommendation: one addressing community service/extracurricular activities, and the other highlighting academic achievements
- An essay of approximately 250 words

Deadlines and Awards Process

Applications must be submitted online by January 21, 2020.

Awards for the 2019–2020 academic year will be announced in March, 2020. The LAESF Advisory Committee reviews all applications, conducts interviews of finalists considered for the top awards, and makes award recommendations to the LANL Foundation Board of Directors.

Scholarship Expectations

Students who are awarded multi-year scholarships must be enrolled full-time with a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester/quarter. Recipients must maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA and submit an annual copy of current academic transcripts to the LANL Foundation in order to continue receiving scholarship funds.

For additional information, contact Mike Ammerman, LANL Foundation Scholarship Program Manager at (505) 753-8890 ext. 115 or scholarships@lanlfoundation.org.

Notes:

The LANL Foundation

The Scholarship Fund and Program are administered by LANL Foundation, a tax-exempt nonprofit organization located in Espanola, NM.

Our Mission

To inspire excellence in education and learning in Northern New Mexico through innovative programming, collaboration and advocacy.

Our Vision

All New Mexicans have the skills and confidence they need to be self-sufficient, lifelong learners who are engaged in their communities.

For more information about the LANL Foundation and its additional programs in early childhood learning, elementary school inquiry STEM, and education and community grantmaking, visit lanlfoundation.org.



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