

## FDES of Monterey

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All applications are due **March 31, 2025.**

### Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in our scholarship program! This letter will help you understand what the FDES Scholarship committee requires of our scholarship recipients.

The two-page application form is to be completed by you alone. Please give us as complete a picture of you as you are able. You may print the form, fill it out, and mail it to us at the above address, or you may open the interactive PDF, fill it out and sign it electronically, and email the PDF back to us (after saving and renaming it as a new, "signed" file). The deadline is March 31.

No applications will be accepted after the deadline, nor will any applications be considered if the requested supporting documents are not on file. The following requirements must be met.

1. You must be a graduating senior of Portuguese descent, a citizen or permanent resident of the U. S., and actively involved with the FDES Monterey.
2. A parent must be a member in good standing of the FDES of Monterey for three years prior to the student's graduation.
3. You must have maintained a minimum 3.0 grade point average in high school, and must submit a transcript of grades earned up to the time of application.
4. You must present three letters of recommendation from individuals who will vouch for your academic standing, character, and personality. One of these letters should be from your school's Principal, Dean, or Counselor, who should verify your participation in extracurricular activities. Another letter should be from a Teacher at your high school. The third letter may be from any source except a relative. Please instruct individuals writing letters to include their title or position and organization.
5. You must write a personal essay, in which you detail your Portuguese lineage as completely as you can. We are especially interested in what your Portuguese heritage or culture means to you, but you may also write about any topic you like. Two typewritten pages are an acceptable length, but feel free to write more.

Again, thank you for your interest. Please use the above email address should you have questions about the application process. Good luck with your educational journey!

**FDES Scholarship Committee / Officers and Directors of the FDES**

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## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Full legal name \_\_\_\_\_

Home address \_\_\_\_\_

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

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_

Are you an American citizen? \_\_\_\_\_ If not, are you a permanent resident? \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you lived on the Monterey Peninsula? \_\_\_\_\_

Name of high school \_\_\_\_\_ Date of graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Are you or any family member an Officer or Director of the FDES? \_\_\_\_\_

Father's name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_ Nationality \_\_\_\_\_

Father's occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's maiden name \_\_\_\_\_ Birthplace \_\_\_\_\_ Nationality \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's occupation \_\_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Siblings *(please indicate gender and age)*

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Would you consent to a personal interview with the scholarship committee? \_\_\_\_\_

What college do you plan to attend? \_\_\_\_\_ Major \_\_\_\_\_

For what business or profession are you preparing? \_\_\_\_\_

What are your educational plans? (Associate, Bachelor, Masters) \_\_\_\_\_

List employment you have had along with dates of employment.

*(such as after-school, weekend, or summer jobs, babysitting, etc.)*

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Do you plan to work during your college enrollment? \_\_\_\_\_

List extracurricular activities in which you have participated.

*(such as sports, student government, clubs, church or community organizations, etc.)*

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List any prizes, honors, or special recognition you have won.

*(scholastic, athletic, musical, literary, artistic, etc.)*

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Have you participated in any of the following FDES activities? *(check all that apply)*

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|-------------|--------------|--------------|-------|--|
| Queen       | Side Maid    | Flag Carrier |       |  |
| Sign Bearer | Serving food | Hall cleanup | Other |  |

List any special financial circumstances you have that the Scholarship Committee should consider.

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I hereby declare that I have read all the statements on this application and that, to the best of my knowledge, all the information presented is correct.

Applicant signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_