



PAFCOM

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Building Community Through Bridging Cultures and Embracing Diversity.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION GUIDELINES

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RATIONALE

The PAFCOM Scholarship recognizes graduating high school seniors in New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut who demonstrate exceptional academic achievement and leadership. By honoring students of Filipino descent from both public and private institutions, we aim to celebrate their success and inspire the next generation of Filipino youth in the Tri-State area to strive for excellence.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible for this program, applicants must:

- Heritage:** Be of Filipino descent (including Filipino and Filipino-American).
- Education:** Be a graduating senior from a public or private high school in New York, New Jersey, or Connecticut.
- Character:** Demonstrate exemplary moral character and a positive personal disposition.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Please submit the following documents along with your completed application form:

- Official High School Transcript:** A sealed or certified record of academic history.
- Standardized Test Scores:** Copies of PSAT and/or SAT scores, if available.
- Academic Recommendation Letter (1):** From a principal, guidance counselor, teacher, or advisor.
- Character Reference Letter (1):** From a community leader, employer, pastor, or priest.
- Photograph:** One (1) recent passport-sized color photo.
- Essay:** A 350-word essay based on the theme: "Inheriting the Future: Building Bridges Through Youth Leadership".

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION

Applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria:

CRITERIA	WEIGHT
Academic Performance	25%
Leadership & Responsibilities	20%
Honors & Awards	20%
Financial Need	15%
Interview	10%
Essay	10%
TOTAL	100%

APPLICATION SUBMISSION

- Please mail your completed application and all required documents to:
 - ATTN: PAFCOM Scholarship, 387 Fulton Avenue, Jersey City, NJ 07305 ; or**
- You can email your completed application and all required documents to: pafcomnj@gmail.com.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Deadline for Submission:** May 30, 2026
- Announcement of Winners:** June 15, 2026
- Scholarship Awarding Ceremony:** June 28, 2026 (*During the PAFCOM Parade & Festival*)

For inquiries, call/text PAFCOM Scholarship Chair CATHERINE BULAHAN 917-455-9736 or President SHIRAN YBAÑEZ 917-216-03436.

Email us at: pafcomnj@gmail.com

Enjoy making a difference in your community; join the PAFCOM Family!