

Northern Nevada Council for the Social Studies

Civic Engagement Scholarship

***Promoting Actively Engaged Citizens in Northern Nevada!***

The Northern Nevada Council for the Social Studies is the local affiliate of the National Council of Social Studies devoted to social studies education. NNCSS engages and supports educators in strengthening and advocating social studies and promotes the development of civically engaged K-12 students. NNCSS will award $500 to an eligible twelfth-grade student who has demonstrated both a high level of scholarship in their social studies coursework and can demonstrate having had a positive impact on their community through taking informed action or their commitment to community and civic engagement. Please refer to the following eligibility requirements prior to submitting this application.

**Eligibility Requirements:**

* The ability to demonstrate the importance of community and civic engagement by taking informed action through personal actions taken **OR** demonstrate belief in the value and potential for taking informed action. Informed action involves having determined an area of need or an issue to address in your community, development of a plan to address that need or issue, and evidence of the impact of actions you took to implement your plan.

**Required Attachments (please attach the following to this completed application):**

* One (1) copy of your resume (curriculum vitae)
* One (1) official copy of your high school transcript
* One (1) letter of recommendation from one of your high school social studies teachers.
* One (1) letter of recommendation from someone who can attest to your impact on your community or your commitment to civic responsibility.

**Due Date: *Must be post marked no later than Friday, April 14, 2023.***

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| Full Name: | GPA: |
| High School: | |
| Mailing Address: | |
| Email: | |

**Please respond to the following questions:**

* Why is civic engagement important to you? (100-150 words)
* What area of need or issue can you identify in your community and what plan did you develop to address it **OR** how might you address it in the future? (100-150 words)
* In what way did you have a direct impact on your community **OR** how might you hope to impact your community in the future? Please provide specific evidence of impact. (100-150 words)
* How did taking informed action in your community impact you **OR** why is taking informed action in our communities (local, state, national, or global) important? (100-150 words)
* What are your post high-school plans and how will this scholarship help you achieve your goals? (100-150 words)

Signature:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_