



2026-2027 Coalición Latinos Unidos de Lake County (CLULC)

Scholarship Eligibility & Requirements

Application Deadline: May 30, 2026, by 10:00 PM

The **Coalición Latinos Unidos de Lake County (CLULC)** offers scholarships to students pursuing higher education (**certificate, associate's, bachelor's, master's, or doctoral program**) at an accredited college or university during the **2026-2027 academic year**. Applicants will be evaluated in the following areas:

- ✓ **Academic Record**
 - ✓ **Financial Need**
 - ✓ **Service to the Community**
 - ✓ **Extracurricular Activities**
 - ✓ **Letters of Recommendation**
 - ✓ **Essay Response**
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Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

To qualify, applicants must:

- ✓ **Be a high school senior, undergraduate, or graduate student**
- ✓ **Reside in Lake County**
- ✓ **Maintain a cumulative unweighted GPA of at least 2.5 (on a 4.0 scale)**
- ✓ **Have participated in community/volunteer activities**
- ✓ **Demonstrate financial need**
- ✓ **Be accepted into or currently attending an accredited college/university**
- ✓ **Submit a completed application with all required documents**

All eligible students are encouraged to apply!



How to Apply

Step 1: Fill out the Google Form application from the CLULC website at www.clulc.org.

Step 2: Complete the Google Form Application and upload the following documents directly through the form:

- ✓ **Official transcripts** (high school if currently in high school, college if already attending).
- ✓ **Proof of admission** to your chosen school.
- ✓ **Two (2) letters of recommendation** (must be from non-relatives, on official letterhead, with an original signature, and not exceed one page).
- ✓ **500 to 750-word essay** (typed and double-spaced).
- ✓ **Short bio and photo** (for promotional purposes).

It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure all required documents are submitted on time. Incomplete or late applications will NOT be considered, and applicants will NOT be notified about missing documents.

Scholarship Policy

The **CLULC awards scholarships to Lake County students** who are pursuing higher education at an accredited college or university.

Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the bursar/financial aid office of the recipient's school and applied towards **tuition and fees**.

Questions?

Contact **Rodolfo Ruiz-Velasco** at (847) 543-2752 or email ruizvelasco@clcillinois.edu.



How the Scholarship is Awarded

- ✓ A **selection committee** composed of **CLULC Board members** will review applications.
- ✓ Applications will be **evaluated based on a scoring rubric** (see below).
- ✓ The **highest-scoring students** will receive scholarships.
- ✓ **Recipients will be officially notified** by the **CLULC Education Committee Chair**.
- ✓ **Scholarship awards will be sent directly to the student's school.**
- ✓ **Recipients must submit a photograph and short biography** for CLULC's website.
- ✓ **Students who do not qualify will receive a list of other scholarship opportunities.**
- ✓ **Incomplete applications will not be considered, and applicants will not be notified of missing documents.**

Selection Criteria & Scoring Rubric

Criteria	Possible Points	Reviewer 1	Reviewer 2	Reviewer 3	Reviewer 4	Total Score
Financial Need	50					
GPA	30					
Volunteer Work	25					
Extracurricular Activities	25					
Essay (Grammar, Content, Impact)	40					
Letters of Recommendation	30					
TOTAL POINTS	200					