



2026 CHISPA Scholarship Application

The CHISPA Committee scholarship offers two (2) scholarships of \$500 each for outstanding Hispanic or Latino senior students from high schools in Cheyenne, Wyoming. Recipients can attend either Laramie County Community College, Cheeks Beauty School, the University of Wyoming, or WyoTech in Laramie. This scholarship is intended to assist with books or school supplies.

Enclosed is the application form and additional information for the scholarship. Please make copies of this form and distribute it to your Hispanic or Latino graduating seniors of the class of 2026.

Candidates should submit their application and supporting materials to cheyennehispanicfestival307@gmail.com no later than May 31, 2026. The CHISPA Committee will review applications and make selections by June 30, 2026. We will then inform the chosen recipients and the schools they will be attending. The selected students will be honored during the CHISPA Festival opening ceremonies on Saturday, September 5, 2026.

This is an excellent opportunity for qualifying Hispanic or Latino senior students.

Sincerely,
Jessica Fernandez-Medina
CHISPA Chair

MISSION: To promote, educate, and celebrate the Hispanic Culture through community involvement and enriching events.



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ELIGIBILITY

You are eligible for a CHISPA Scholarship, if you meet all the following:

- Must be a resident of Laramie County.
- Must be a current senior at a Laramie County high school.
- Must be of Hispanic or Latino descent.
- Must have a minimum high school GPA of 2.5.
- Must submit a completed application along with a copy of your academic transcript.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Full Name: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Gender: ☐ Female ☐ Male ☐ Other

EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

High School Last Attended: _____

Intended College/University: _____

Most Recent GPA: _____

Expected Graduation Date: _____



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SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS

What motivates you to pursue this education? Why is receiving this scholarship significant to you?

What activities and hobbies do you enjoy in your free time? What are your interests?



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PERSONAL ESSAY INSTRUCTIONS:

ESSAY PROMPT:

What does being Hispanic or Latino mean to you? How has your Hispanic or Latino heritage influenced your perspective on our community? Please write a statement explaining how this scholarship will support your educational pursuits and how you plan to utilize the funds.

Essay Requirements:

Your essay and statement must be typed on 8½ x 11-inch white paper with 1-inch margins. It should be double-spaced, between two and four pages long, and use Times New Roman 12-point font.

AGREEMENT AND SIGNATURE

By submitting this application, I certify that the information provided is true and complete. I acknowledge my financial need for this assistance to pursue my education. Any funds awarded will be used solely for educational expenses. I understand that this application does not guarantee financial assistance.

Signature

Date