



**Miami-Dade County Fair & Exposition
Scholarship Program**

Program Description & Application

This form must be returned in its entirety.

**Student deadline for submitting application to CAP
Adviser or designee is Wednesday,
March 2, 2011.**

**School deadline to submit winning application to:
Diana Venturini
1450 NE 2nd Avenue, Room 776
Miami, FL 33132**

March 16, 2011



Miami-Dade County Fair & Exposition Scholarship Award Program CRITERIA

The Program and Its Purpose

The Miami-Dade County Fair & Exposition Scholarship Program (MDCF&E) was created to recognize and honor the youth of Miami for their dedication to scholarship and for demonstrating a strong sense of commitment to voluntary participation in school and community activities. This scholarship program reaffirms the Fair's commitment to education and is its way of thanking the loyal Fair patrons who visit annually and help make the Fair successful.

Administration of the Program

The scholarship program is independently managed by the Miami-Dade County Fair & Exposition (MDCF&E) and Miami-Dade County Public Schools (M-DCPS). M-DCPS College Assistance Program (CAP) offices receive, process, evaluate and recommend applicants. All information and academic records submitted in the application process are kept in strict confidence and retained by M-DCPS and MDCF&E.

Conditions of Eligibility

Applicants must be United States citizens or eligible non-citizens, Miami-Dade County graduating high school seniors with a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA and planning to attend an accredited college, university, or M-DCPS certified adult/vocational school. You may only be a recipient/winner of a scholarship once. Employees of the Fair, and their dependents, are ineligible.

The Application Procedure

Applicants must meet all eligibility requirements:

1. Complete the application
2. Secure a current high school transcript
3. Obtain 2 faculty (or 1 faculty and 1 community-service related) recommendations
4. Return all application materials together to: Student Service Chair or designee at their school by: **March 2, 2011**

Schools must submit winning application to:

Diana Venturini
1450 NE 2nd Avenue, Room 776
Miami, FL 33132
or W/L #9619
by March 16, 2011

The Selection Process

MDCF&E and M-DCPS are responsible for selecting the recipients. The determinations will be made using the applicants' abilities to demonstrate dedication to scholarship; their participation and excellence in school and community activities; 2 recommendations; and the students' personal statements defining goals and exhibiting energy and dedication to a plan. Awards are made without regard to race, creed, color, sex, religion, or national origin. Financial need is not a factor.

The Academic Awards

The Miami-Dade County Fair & Exposition Scholarship Program awards \$1,000 scholarship annually to students.

Announcement and Distribution of Awards

Recipients will be notified in March 2011. An award ceremony honoring all recipients will be held April 2011. **All award payments are made payable to the recipient pending receipt of an enrollment confirmation containing the official seal of the registrar from the adult/vocational certified program, college or university.**

Scholarship checks will be awarded beginning July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012. After award period due date of June 30, 2012; scholarships are forfeited.

Responsibilities of the Applicants

Applicants to the MDCF&E Scholarship Program should remember that it is their sole responsibility to:

1. Gather and submit all information necessary for MDCF&E and M-DCPS to select the recipients
2. Ensure that all materials are returned to the school's CAP office no later than **March 2, 2011.**

For Additional Information

Contact: Ms. Diana Venturini, Director, Office of Community Services, at 305-995-1367.



The Miami-Dade County Fair & Exposition Scholarship Program

1. Please print or type all information. Do not forget your social security number!
2. If space provided is inadequate, please attach additional papers to the application.
3. School, community, and work experience relating solely to the last two years.
4. All data you submit in support of this application becomes the property MDCF&E.

APPLICANT DATA:

Ms. Mr. Social Security Number _____ - _____ - _____ Home Tel # (_____) _____
Last Name _____ First Name _____ MI _____ Email _____
Phonetic pronunciation: _____
Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

PARENT DATA:

Ms. Mr. Mrs. Home Tel # (_____) _____ Work Tel # (_____) _____
Last Name _____ First Name _____ MI _____ Email _____
Provide this information only if it is different from the applicant's home address
Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

HIGH SCHOOL DATA:

Cumulative GPA [_____] (on a weighted 4.0 scale) Rank in class _____ out of _____
School Name _____ Graduation Date (mo/yr) _____
Street Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Principal's Name _____ Email _____

COLLEGE DATA:

High school seniors please list the school(s) where they have applied.

Name _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Name _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Name _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Name _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____
Expected major _____

SPECIAL NOTES:

- Applicants must meet all eligibility requirements and submit:
 - An official transcript of grades
 - Two recommendations

