



# 2025 Scholarship

Festival Peruano is proud to announce its First Annual Scholarship Award to a deserving Peruvian or Peruvian Descent students. We pledge our commitment to help young students to succeed in their academic pursuits.

## What are we offering

As part of our mission to provide continued education, all grant recipients will receive a scholarship to a credible institution. Students who receive this award will use the scholarship to help pay for the costs associated with tuition and/or school materials.

## How it works

Complete full application which includes information about yourself, school and essay statement. All completed applications will be reviewed and 5 semi-finalists will be selected for our final judging round. The scholarship winner will be announced on our social media. The winner will be invited and required to participate in the award ceremony to be held Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

## Eligibility requirements

- Candidate must be Peruvian or Peruvian Descent
- Candidate must reside in the State of Illinois
- Candidate must be a high school Senior planning to attend a post-secondary institution or currently enroll in college/University
- Candidate must currently have a GPA of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale

## Requirements to be submitted

- A completed application and signed application certification
- School transcripts
- 2 letters of recommendation (1 is required to be from a school official, the second from whomever)
- Essay

On a separate sheet please provide a typed essay (250-500 words) answering the following prompts: Tell us about yourself and discuss any challenges or obstacles you have dealt with and overcome in life and how this will help you succeed in college and beyond.



# 2025 Scholarship Application

You must either type or print all your answers neatly in ink. Application response may be sent via email to [merfeliz24@gmail.com](mailto:merfeliz24@gmail.com). **Scholarship application, transcripts and letters of recommendation must be postmarked by 09/03/2025 to the above email.**

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ M.I.  
Last First

Permanent mailing address \_\_\_\_\_  
Number and street

\_\_\_\_\_ E-mail  
City State Zip Code

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Birth date \_\_\_\_\_  
Month Day Year

2. What year did/will you receive a high school diploma or GED \_\_\_\_\_

High School or GED \_\_\_\_\_  
High School Name or GED County City State

3. High school students only \_\_\_\_\_  
High School GPA on a 4.0 scale

4. If applicable: College/University GPA through January 2023 \_\_\_\_\_/4.0

5. **College or University you plan to attend to or are already enrolled for Fall 2025**

\_\_\_\_\_ School Name City State

Major Field of Study \_\_\_\_\_

6. Are you the first person in your family to go to college? Yes/No [Y/N] \_\_\_\_\_



## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CERTIFICATION

**ALL APPLICANTS:** I certify that all information I have provided on this form is true and completed to the best of my knowledge. I agree to give proof of the information on this application if requested. I give permission to the selection committee to review information on this form, my transcripts, and any additional supporting documentation submitted as part of this application. I give permission for the selection committee to contact high school and/or college officials for additional academic information.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, I must be present at the award ceremony/reception to be held Saturday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2025 to receive my award.

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

By signing this application, I hereby understand that I give permission to the Peruvian Festival Committee to publicize my photograph and scholarship award if chosen as the winner.

Signature of scholarship applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### Checklist

- Application**
- Essay**
- School Transcripts**
- 2 Letters of recommendation**

**All required documents must be emailed to:  
merfeliz24@gmail.com**

**The deadline for this application to be received by email  
is: September 3, 2025**

**NO EXCEPTIONS**