



2019 Thao United of MN Scholarship

6 Scholarships Available!

Guidelines

Thao United of MN is a Non-profit Organization whose purpose is to serve the Thao Clan and the community at large. The Thao United of MN Youth Program will be awarding six (6) \$500 scholarships to eligible students. These students must: (a) be planning on going to college, (b) continuing undergraduate studies, or (c) planning on attending or continuing graduate work at colleges or universities in the 2019 to 2020 academic school year. Additionally, recipients must be a Thao/Thor descendent. For more information about the scholarship process or application, please visit Thao United of MN Youth at <www.ThaoUnited.com>.

Program Guidelines & Priorities:

- * Seeking graduating seniors or current College Students with a record of volunteerism in the community in non-school sponsored activities and/or participation in extracurricular school activities.
- * Recipients of Thao United of MN Scholarships will have volunteer obligation time to the Thao United of MN Youth or Organization while in school or after they have completed their studies.
- * Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 2.5, total family annual income under \$100,000 and plans to attend higher education in either a technical or college setting.
- * Scholarship funds will be awarded ***on Saturday December 7th, 2019 during the Thao United of MN Hmong New Year Celebration.*** The recipient or family members must be present to receive the award.
- * Applicants must have a letter of recommendation from their **Guidance Counselor, Teacher, or Professor** attached to their application. Application deadline is **September 15, 2019** by midnight.

Mail one copy of a completed typed application package to:
(This includes application with signoff by counselor or Teacher or Professor,
essay, resume, and school transcript.)

Thao United of MN Youth
347 University Ave
Saint Paul, MN 55102

The applications will be reviewed and selected by a committee consisting of volunteers from the Thao United of MN Organization. The scholarships will be awarded on Saturday December 7, 2019.

Please submit any questions to: sisnabthoj@thaokue.org

THAO UNITED OF MN YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2019

1.	Last Name:	First Name:		
2.	Mailing Street Address:			
	City:	State:	Zip:	
3.	Phone Number:	()		
	Email Address:			
4.	Date of Birth:		Gender:	
5.	Cumulative Grade Point Average on a 4.0 scale: <i>(Please attach a copy of your transcript with your application.)</i>		GPA:	
6.	Are you the first person in your family to go to college:		Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
7.	Name of Current School:			
	Name of School for the next Academic Year: <i>(if different from current school):</i>			
8.	A.	<i>(If your resume or activities sheet answers to question 8, please attach and skip to Question 9.)</i> List any academic honors, awards and membership activities while in High School or College:		
	B.	List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities and school related volunteer activities:		
	C.	List your non-school sponsored volunteer activities in the community:		
9.	A.	If you have decided on what college you will attend or currently attending, please list school name:		

	B.	If not, list your top 3 college choices:
	C.	Major:

10.	List Family Gross Annual Income from your 2018 Income Tax (Form 1040 Line #22):	\$
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11.	Is your <u>parent or legal guardian</u> a member of Thao United of MN Organization?	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
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12.	A.	Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s) full name:	
	B.	Phone #:	
	C.	Role in organization:	

13.	Address of Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s): <i>(Include address if different from your own listed in Question 2.)</i>		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes, address is the same	<input type="checkbox"/> No, address is different	
	Mailing Street Address:		
	City:	State:	Zip:
	Phone Number:	()	
	Work Phone Number:	()	
	Email Address:		

14.	Provide a typed essay (250 - 500 words) answering all of the questions below:
	Describe how volunteering and community service has shaped who you are today. Has it taught you anything?
	In addition, what obstacles and challenges have you overcome in your life that will help you be successful in college and in life?
	Finally, discuss how you plan to give back to the community and to Thao United of MN Organization, in order to help future generation.

STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS

I hereby affirm, that all the above stated information provided by me are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

I also consent, that if chosen as a scholarship winner, my picture will be taken and used to promote the Thao United of MN Youth Scholarship Program.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to Thao United of MN Youth Scholarship policy; either a family member or **I will be present** at awards ceremony or reception, on **December 7th, 2019**, to receive my scholarship award.

I hereby understand that 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.

Signature of Scholarship Applicant:	
Date:	

For High School graduates only:

By signing below, I am (we are) aware of my child applying for Thao United of MN Scholarship and fully have our support.

Parent/Guardian Signature:	
Date:	

STATEMENT OF SUPPORT BY GUIDANCE COUNSELOR / TEACHER / PROFESSOR

I hereby affirm that this application meets the criteria set forth by this scholarship program and that I support this application to Thao United of MN Youth Program.

Name of Guidance Counselor, Teacher, or Professor:	
Education Institute/School:	
Phone Number:	()
Email Address:	
Date:	
Signature of Guidance Counselor, Teacher, or Professor:	

Checklist:	
	Application
	For High School Graduates: Letter of Acceptance from a College
	Essay Answers - Typed
	Resume/Activity Sheet with Volunteer hours
	Guidance Counselor, Teacher, or Professor Signature
	School Transcript
<p><u>MAIL COMPLETED APPLICATION PACKAGE TO:</u></p> <p>THAO UNITED OF MN YOUTH 347 University Avenue St. Paul, MN 55102</p> <p><u>REMINDER:</u> The deadline for this application to be received by Thao United of MN Youth Office is: September 15th, 2019 by Midnight.</p>	