



Guam Council of the International Reading Association

P.O. Box 21733 GMF, Guam 96921

Guam Council of the International Reading Association Scholarship

The Guam Council-IRA Scholarship offered to any high school senior of Guam who will be attending the University of Guam or Guam Community College seeking a degree in the educational field such as Early Childhood, Elementary/Secondary Education, or Special Education. The scholarship award will be for one (1) semester at \$500 for books and supplies. The award will be granted based on a combination of Grade Point Average, Leadership, Citizenship, or Financial Need.

Eligibility:

- Minimum cumulative GPA of 80%
- Is currently a qualifying Graduating Senior and in good standing in any high school in Guam.
- Resident of Guam and has been on island for the past 2 consecutive years
- Must enroll as a full time student at the University of Guam or Guam Community College.

Completed Applications must include:

- Application Form
- Proof of acceptance into the University of Guam or Guam Community College for the 2013 – 2014 Academic School Year and provide registration form that indicates pursued degree.
- Official High School Transcript
- Two Letters of Recommendation from a counselor, teacher, or community organization official
- Proof of parent/guardian income (i.e., a copy of pages 1 and 2 of your parents'/guardians' 2012 Federal/Guam Income Tax Return)

Selection process:

- The Scholarship Committee will review applications to ensure criteria eligibility
- Students may be interviewed by the GIRA Scholarship Committee
- The interview panel will select students and provide the recommendation to the School Principal for final approval

DEADLINE FOR COMPLETED APPLICATIONS: **April 13, 2013**



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Please include a brief personal essay on your career goals and how do you plan to achieve them. What influenced your career decisions and describe your circumstance of financial need for this scholarship. What book have you read during your years in school that greatly influenced you and why? *(no more than 500 words; attach additional pages if more space is needed)*

Please list any scholarships or other financial assistance that you have been awarded (if any) :

I certify that the information I entered into this application is accurate and completed to the best of my knowledge. It is understood that any misinformation will automatically disqualify me. Should I be selected, I understand for accountability purpose that receipts will be submitted.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Send completed applications, official high school transcripts, and letters of recommendations to either one below:

1. Mail to: Guam International Reading Association P.O.Box 21733 GMF, GUAM 96921
2. Drop to: Jonathan Pilarca, JFK counselor at John F. Kennedy High School Tumon, Guam 96912

You can drop a complete packet on April 13, 2013 Guam IRA General Membership Meeting at St. Paul Christian School Gym from 8am-11am.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Jonathan Pilarca, Guam IRA President at guamreadathon2012@gmail.com or contact him at 300-4355.