



## 2019-2020 JFS- David Rubenstein Memorial Scholarship Guidelines, Criteria and Application

Application postmark deadline April 24, 2019

The JFS-David Rubenstein Memorial Scholarship is a private scholarship program established by Dr. Robert Rubenstein in memory of his son David. The program annually grants between 15-20 scholarships of up to \$2,500. The JFS-David Rubenstein Memorial Scholarship seeks to encourage young people to treasure their Jewish heritage, reflect on their Jewish values, and better understand their connection to the community.

### Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

- Applicant is Jewish, and has been a legal and permanent resident of San Diego County for at least two years prior to submitting the application
- U.S. Citizen or documented legal permanent U.S. resident (green card)
- Plan to attend school full-time at an approved college, university, technical, or vocational school in the United States in the Fall of 2019
- Minimum 3.0 or better GPA
- Demonstrated financial contribution towards education (e.g. through part-time work).

### Application Requirements

Applications are complete and valid only when **ALL** documents have been submitted in one package. Please do not staple documents together. Incomplete applications will be disqualified. Verify that you have enclosed the following information before you mail your application:

- **Completed typed Application Form**
- **Copy of your most recent transcripts.**
- **Essay:** Submit a 500-1,000 word, 12-point Times New Roman font, double-spaced essay on one of the following topics:
  - Discuss a special attribute or accomplishment that sets you apart.
  - Choose a person or persons you admire and explain why.
- **Letters of Recommendation:** Submit two letters of recommendation from a non-family member. Note: Letters should be on official letterhead and must contain the writer's full name, title, address, phone number and email address. Please be certain that the letter is current and addressed to the Scholarship Committee.
- **Income Tax Return (Form 1040):** Submit a copy of the first two pages of the 2017 tax return. A student's status as dependent or independent will be based on the guidelines set forth by the College Scholarship Service. For a student age 24 or younger, to have "independent" status, the student's parents cannot have claimed him or her as "dependent" on their Income Tax Returns for the two (2) years prior to the year of college attendance. If parents are divorced, income tax forms from both parents are required. Adjusted gross family income cannot exceed \$100,000 for families with three or more children, \$90,000 for families with two children, and \$80,000 for families with one child.
- **Financial Aid/Student Loans:** Submit a copy of the School Financial Aid Award Notice as well as copies of the College Scholarship Service's Student Aid Report (SAR) and documentation of determinations regarding federal, state, and private aid, as soon as they become available.

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## Fillable PDF Instructions

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- Before you begin, ensure that you have the most recent version of Adobe Acrobat Reader. The most current version can be downloaded for free from the Adobe® Web site.
- To download the file directly to your computer, right click on the link, then select "save link as" or "save target as" from the dropdown options. Make a note of the location on your drive and the name of the file being saved so you can locate it later.
- There is no computation, validation or verification of the information you enter. Some information, such as signatures are required to be handwritten on the form.

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## Selecting Scholarship Recipients

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- The JFS-David Rubenstein Memorial Scholarship recipients are carefully chosen based on a variety of criteria by the Scholarship Committee. All applicants will be notified in writing of the JFS-David Rubenstein Memorial Scholarship Committees decision.
- Students are eligible to receive up to a total of four (4) years of the JFS-David Rubenstein Memorial Scholarship funding, and the funding years do not have to be consecutive. Scholarships are made on a year-to-year basis and are NOT automatically renewed. Scholarship recipients must submit a new application and the required documentation in compliance with the application deadlines, stated herein, for each year that they seek funding.
- Jewish Family Service reserves the right to publicize the names of the Scholarship recipients through our website, print publications, and local media.

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## Scholarship Disbursement

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- Scholarship funds can be used only to fund college tuition and/or related expenses.
- You must submit a copy of your fall 2018 transcript.
- You are expected to write a thank-you letter to the donor(s) of your scholarship and to attend a Recognition and Appreciation brunch in December 2019.

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## Mail Completed Application and Supporting Documents To

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Jewish Family Service of San Diego  
JOAN & IRWIN JACOBS CAMPUS  
Turk Family Center  
8804 Balboa Avenue  
San Diego, CA 92123-1506  
Attention: Rubenstein Scholarship

**Questions?** Contact Nancy Eisenberg at [scholarship@jfssd.org](mailto:scholarship@jfssd.org) or (858) 637-3037.

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## APPLICANT INFORMATION

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a U.S. citizen or legal resident?  Yes  No Number of years lived in San Diego County: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the Scholarship Program? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever received a JFS-David Rubenstein Memorial Scholarship?  Yes  No

If yes, please complete the returning applicant application.

Please describe your involvement with Jewish communal activities (including dates and offices held):

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## CURRENT ACADEMICS

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA (UNWEIGHTED on 4.0 scale): \_\_\_\_\_

Cumulative GPA (WEIGHTED with AP, IB and honors classes): \_\_\_\_\_

Please list your extracurricular activities (including dates and offices held):

Please list awards and honors you have received (including dates):

If you were unable to participate in activities, explain the reason(s) and how you otherwise spent your time:

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## FALL 2019 EDUCATIONAL PLANS

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

School Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

I will:  live on campus  live off campus  commute from home

If school is a public institution, applicant will pay:  in-state resident tuition  out-of-state-tuition

Degree sought: \_\_\_\_\_ Major or course of study: \_\_\_\_\_

If you haven't been accepted to a college, please list the colleges you have applied to:

1<sup>st</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_ 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

3<sup>rd</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_ 4<sup>th</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

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## APPLICANT CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

**Describe your most significant work experience with your most recent listed first. Work experience includes unpaid internships to get experience in a career field.**

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Dates of Employment: \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly Earnings: \$\_\_\_\_\_ Hours/week: \_\_\_\_\_

If you did not work, what did you do?

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ESSAY: Submit a 500 - 1,000 word essay on one of the following topics:

- Discuss a special attribute or accomplishment that sets you apart.
- Choose a person or persons you admire and explain why.

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## GENERAL FAMILY INFORMATION

Marital Status:  Married  Single, Never Married  Widowed  Remarried  Domestic Partners  
 Separated  Divorced (if divorced or separated, complete questions a through e)

- a. Date of divorce or separation (month and year): \_\_\_\_\_
- b. Custodial parent:  Mother  Father  Joint Custody  Custodial parent has remarried
- c. Who claimed applicant as a tax dependent for 2018?  Mother  Father
- d. How much will each parent pay for 2019-20 college expenses?  
Mother \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Father \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- e. Permission to contact:  Parent/Guardian 1  Parent/Guardian 2  Both

Total # of individuals residing in household in 2018 (including you, parents, siblings and others): \_\_\_\_\_

Number of family members in household attending college in Fall 2019, INCLUDING you: \_\_\_\_\_

f. List family members in household currently attending college Fall 2019 and school, EXCLUDING you.

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## PARENT/GUARDIAN/SPOUSE INFORMATION

Relationship to applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Own  Rent Monthly Payment \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Value of Home \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Mortgage Balance \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Most Recent Employer: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Salary: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

List other income (per month): Social Security \$ \_\_\_\_\_ VA Benefits \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Rental Income \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Investments \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Worker's Comp/Disability \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Retirement \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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Retirement \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Students will be required to report income information from an earlier tax year. For example, on FASFA for 2019-20 academic year, students (and parents, as appropriate) will report their 2017 income information, rather than their 2018 income information.

Have you submitted a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)?

Yes       No, but I plan to apply       No, and I do not plan to apply

If you do not plan to submit the FAFSA, please briefly explain why:

If you have submitted your FASFA and have received your Student Aid Report (SAR), please enter your Expected Family Contribution (EFC) here: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any financial circumstances or need(s) that are not evident from the financial information such as recent changes in finances, personal or family hardship or other financial challenges, please briefly explain below:

**BUDGET INFORMATION - List applicant's 2019-2020 school expenses and resources.**

Resources for 2019-20 school year		Expenses for 2019-20 school year	
Parent(s)/Family Assistance	\$	Tuition/Fees	\$
Trusts/Inheritances/Investments	\$	Room and Board	\$
Savings	\$	Book and Supplies	\$
Employment	\$	Travel	\$
Grant or Scholarship Awards	\$	Other (please detail)	\$
Aid, Stipends, Fellowships	\$		\$
Work Study	\$		\$
Loans (Parent Plus, etc.)	\$		\$
<b>Total Resources</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>Total Expenses</b>	
<b>TOTAL BUDGETED NEED (Expenses minus resources)</b>			<b>\$</b>

I acknowledge all scholarship decisions are final. I certify I meet the eligibility requirements of the program as described in the guidelines and the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. Falsification of information may result in the termination of any award granted.

Applicant's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_