



## 2026 Scholarship Application

To honor his memory and dedication to the education of the students of SFDR CISD, the Jose L. "Pepe" Perez Scholarship Fund is proud to announce the availability of two scholarships for the 2026 graduating class of DRHS, ECHS or Blended Academy.

Jose L. Perez was a dedicated educator for 52 years in the Del Rio community. His faith in God and dedication to the Sacred Heart Church was a cornerstone to his life and he used that to help fuel his passion for learning and teaching. He was a hard-working teacher, mentor, and positive role model to all his students. He treated all his students equally and always went the extra mile for them. He helped his students grow on a daily basis, whether it be in the classroom or via his commitment to UIL Academics. In addition to academics, Jose was involved in Del Rio Athletics and enjoyed cheering for Del Rio while keeping score at baseball, basketball, football, volleyball and numerous other events. It was through this involvement that he created long-lasting relationships with his students and colleagues; he was always willing to stop and talk to everyone. His mission and legacy will always be that he did everything he could to help every student succeed in whatever path they chose in life.

Each Scholarship will be in the amount of \$1,000 based on the following considerations:

- ✓ Academic performance
- ✓ Previous and/or current participation in extracurricular activities
- ✓ Previous and/or current volunteer service to the community
- ✓ Work experience
- ✓ Written essay

To be eligible, candidates must meet the following minimum requirements:

- 3.0 GPA
- Currently enrolled in the SFDR CISD and graduating from Del Rio High School, Early College High School or Blended Academy in the Spring of 2026.
- Accepted to and planning to attend an accredited two or four-year institution of higher learning beginning in the Fall of 2026.

Applications are available from your school counselor or on the Scholarship Opportunities webpage at <https://www.sfdr-cisd.org/scholarships/>

**Application Packets must be hand-delivered to:**

**Student Performance Center & Administration Building  
Jose L. "Pepe" Perez Scholarship Fund  
Attention: Melissa Hughes  
315 Griner St.  
Del Rio, TX**

**All applications must be received no later than 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 1, 2026.**



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### Minimum Qualifications:

- Prospective candidates must have a minimum GPA of 3.0.
- Prospective candidates must be accepted to and planning to attend a two or four-year institution of higher learning beginning in the Fall semester of 2026.

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### APPLICATION PACKET MUST INCLUDE:

1. **Application Form** – Complete all pages, including this page; points will be deducted for incomplete submissions. (Note: No resume is needed; all information should be filled in on this application.)
2. **Brief Essay** –Topic: Describe your career aspirations after graduation.  
In less than 300 words, what are your career goals after high school? Aside from your qualifications listed in the application, provide specific examples of why you are the most deserving candidate of this award.
  - Font: Times New Roman, Size 12 font, 1.5 spacingMay not be written by a parent or professional writer
3. **Letter of Recommendation from a local community member**(non-relative)  
*(Please do not include recommendations from relatives. Scholarships with Letters of Recommendation written by a relative will be disqualified.)*
4. **Copy of School Transcript** (official copy not required)

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| <b>APPLICANT INFORMATION</b> |
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***Please complete and print clearly. All information will be kept strictly confidential.***

Applicant Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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School (DRHS, ECHS or Blended): \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**I understand that my scholarship award will be forfeited if it is determined that I am no longer eligible or able to attend a college, university or vocational institution full-time in Fall 2026. If this should happen, I will promptly notify the Jose L. "Pepe" Perez Scholarship Fund accordingly, in writing, within five business days.**

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **ACADEMIC INFORMATION**

Current GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Current Class Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred College, University or Vocational Institution: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been formally accepted to this institution? ☐ Yes ☐ No (check one)

## **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES / COMMUNITY SERVICE**

**List Extracurricular/Co-curricular Activities (e.g. Sports, UIL, Clubs)**

**(Please attach additional pages, if needed.)**

| Activity/Organization | Years | Position/Responsibilities/Awards |
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**List Community Service/Volunteer Opportunities (Please attach additional pages, if needed.)**

| Activity/Organization | Years | Volunteer Duties, Roles |
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### **EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION**

Were you employed during the school year? ☐ Yes ☐ No (check one)

If "Yes", how many hours per week, on average, do you work? \_\_\_\_\_

#### **List Names of Current and Previous Employers**

| Employer (include address & contact) | Dates | Position |
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### **ATTACHMENTS**

- Essay
- Letter of Recommendation
- School Transcript