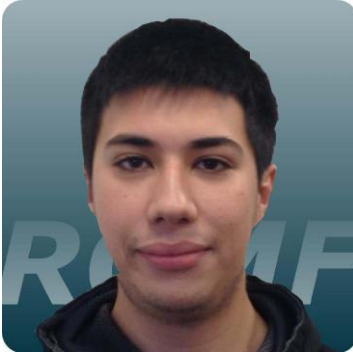




2014 Scholarship Recipients (12 Awarded)



Miguel Alfaro
Western International
High School

While attending *Western International High School*, **Miguel Alfaro** has earned a 3.8 GPA and is ranked 17th in his class of 348 students. After graduation, Miguel plans to attend the University of Michigan and study biology. He eventually hopes to become a Pediatric Oncologist.

“My dream is to battle the cancer of sick children and restore them to health in order for them someday to have the opportunity to participate in little league sports and be able to live life to the fullest,” Miguel wrote in his scholarship application.

Miguel is described as an “excellent student” and role model for his classmates by his teacher.



Daniel Castro
Notre Dame Preparatory

Daniel Castro has a passion for Engineering.

While attending *Notre Dame Preparatory High School*, earning a 3.5 GPA, Daniel has competed in Robotics competitions and excelled in his math courses. In addition to his studies, Daniel works 15 hours per week and has volunteered his time at Gleaners Food Bank.

Daniel is described as “an extremely talented, inquisitive student.”

After graduation, Daniel hopes to attend Kettering University and major in Mechanical Engineering.



2014 Scholarship Recipients (12 Awarded)



Roberto Escalante-Gonzalez
West Bloomfield
High School

“I push myself to achieve greatness every day,” **Roberto Escalante-Gonzalez** wrote in his scholarship application, “I find the motivation, I never give up, and I thank that fight in me to my Mexican blood.”

Roberto has earned a 4.01 GPA while attending **West Bloomfield High School** and plans to attend Hope College after graduation, majoring in business management. In addition to his studies, Roberto works 6 hours per week and volunteers his time as an assistant coach for the Michigan Impact Soccer Club.

“Roberto is a very hard-working, intelligent, caring student. He is very dependable and is respected among the teachers and his peers,” Roberto’s **teacher** wrote in his recommendation.



Maria Gonzalez
Avondale High School

“Maria is one of the students who are found infrequently” Maria Gonzalez’s teacher wrote in her scholarship application recommendation, “she has excelled academically, in athletics, volunteers in the community and found time to become a Certified Nursing Assistant.”

Maria has earned a 3.79 GPA while attending **Avondale High School**. After graduation, Maria plans to attend Oakland University and study medicine.

“I believe that education and perseverance is the foundation of success,” wrote **Maria Gonzalez** in her scholarship application. “Throughout my whole childhood, my parents taught me that the world isn’t just going to hand you what you want... if you want something, you better get off of your butt and go for it. I plan on taking that lesson with me throughout life.”



2014 Scholarship Recipients (12 Awarded)



Javiar Jurado
Cesar Chavez Academy

“Javier possesses an indefatigable thirst for learning, and challenges himself with an academically rigorous schedule every semester,” wrote one of Javier’s teachers in his scholarship recommendation. “[He] is an intrinsically motivated hard-working student.”

Javier Jurado has earned a 3.34 GPA while attending **Cesar Chavez Academy High School** while taking multiple advanced placement courses.

In addition to his studies, Javier works 15-16 hours per week. After graduation, Javier plans to attend Henry Ford Community College where he hopes to study to become an Engineer.



Jasmin Orozco
Western International
High School

Jasmin Orozco has earned a 3.33 GPA while attending **Western International High School**.

“Jasmin is a pleasure to work with both in and outside the classroom,” Jasmin’s teacher wrote in her scholarship recommendation. “Her maturity and work ethic are an inspiration to both teachers and students.”

In addition to her studies, Jasmin works 7 hours per week and volunteers at Holy Redeemer Church. She has apprenticed with both Urban Neighborhood Initiatives and Avancemos.

After graduation, Jasmin plans to attend Wayne State University to study nutrition.



2014 Scholarship Recipients (12 Awarded)

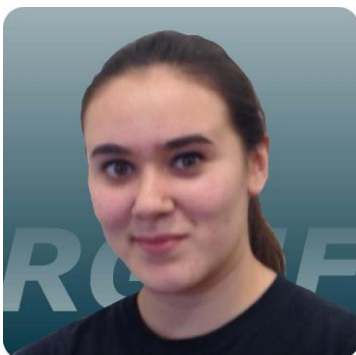


Dolores Perales
Detroit Cristo Rey
High School

“Being a future first generation college student has put a lot of pressure on me... however I know that in the long run it will be worth it and make my family and myself proud,” **Dolores Perales** wrote in her scholarship application.

A student at **Detroit Cristo Rey**, Dolores has earned a 3.9 GPA while working 8 hours a week and volunteering many hours to community service.

After graduation, Dolores hopes to attend the University of Chicago and major in Environmental Science.



Marleen Rubio
Western International
High School

Marleen Rubio has earned a 4.22 while attending **Western International High School**.

“She works harder for her goals than any other student I’ve seen. She balances school, work, extracurriculars, and family so well,” her teacher wrote in her recommendation.

In addition to her studies, Marleen works 8 hours per week and volunteers for multiple organizations, including Life Directions, for which she is the Secretary of the Youth Board.

Through her experiences, Marleen wrote in her scholarship application that she has learned that, “making someone smile by giving food, providing them with care, or even helping them to the bathroom while sick, is a blessed experience that one will carry for the rest of our life.”

After graduation, Marleen plans to attend Grand Valley State University and study Medicine.



2014 Scholarship Recipients (12 Awarded)



Danny Saldana III
Southgate High School

Danny Saldana has earned a 3.3 GPA while attending **Southgate High School**. After graduation Danny hopes to attend Michigan State University **where** he will study Accounting.

“I believe my Hispanic heritage gives me the “hard work” attitude and drives me to make my family and friends proud,” wrote Danny in his scholarship application.

In addition to his studies, Danny works 20 hours a week and volunteers to coach others after school and church.

“I would highly recommend Danny Saldana for this opportunity as he has proven to be an outstanding student as well as a humanitarian,” wrote Danny’s teacher in his scholarship application.



Paulina Torres-Guzman
Detroit Cristo Rey
High School

In addition to earning a 3.6 GPA while attending **Detroit Cristo Rey High School**, **Paulina Guadalupe Torres-Guzman** enjoys volunteering her time to help her community.

This year, Paulina participated in the Junction Street Clean Neighborhood Project for Team GM Cares Week.

“It is beautiful to see people unite and work together to help change the lives of other people,” she wrote in her scholarship application.

After graduation, she hopes to attend the University of Detroit Mercy and study Business Administration.

“I love going to school, learning, helping others, and being part of other organizations/teams,” Paulina wrote.



2014 Scholarship Recipients (12 Awarded)



Alyssa Vazquez
Western International
High School

Alyssa Vasquez shows “tremendous leadership abilities when faced with extracurricular and community involvement,” according to one of her teachers. In addition to organizing teams of local youth to help volunteer at local clean ups, helping plant community gardens, and taking a stand against social injustice, Alyssa helps out her own family by tutoring her younger cousins after school.

“Giving back makes the world a better place for everyone,” Alyssa wrote in her scholarship application submission.

As a student at *Western International High School*, Alyssa Vasquez has earned a 3.61 GPA while working 12-15 hours a week. After graduating, she plans to attend Wayne State University and study Health and Medicine.



Emillio Velazquez
Western International
High School

Emilio Velazquez hopes to attend the University of Michigan after graduation and study Mechanical Engineering.

“Emilio has the character and dedication to become a top engineer and contribute his best to society,” his teacher wrote in her recommendation.

While attending *Western International High School*, Emilio has earned a 3.74 GPA. In addition to his studies, Emilio works 10-20 hours per week and volunteers his time as a junior coach for the Melvindale Junior Football league.

“The future is a bright thing to look forward to... Years from now I want to look back and be able to say that I have made it in the world as a successful Mexican-American individual,” Emilio wrote in his scholarship application.