



DOMINICAN AMERICAN MIDWEST ASSOCIATION

Dr. Ramón García Educational Award Application For Post Secondary Education

Sponsored by the Dominican-American Midwest Association

school involvement.

Rules and criteria governing this award

1. Students must be of Dominican descent. They must be pursuing or plan to pursue post-secondary education during the academic year when the application is submitted or plan to enroll following submission of application in a post-secondary school.
2. The selection of award recipients will be based on the following criteria:
 - a) The student's academic record, minimum GPA of 3.0/4.0 or 4.0/5.0.
 - b) The student's participation in school, college and/or outside jobs/ activities as outlined in the student's essay and in the letters of recommendation from school counselors and/or teachers/professors.
 - c) The student's reason(s) for pursuing post-secondary education, as outlined in the student's career essay.
 - d) The strength of the student's personal statement outlining his/her post-secondary objectives and community/school services as well as financial needs.
 - e) Commitment to serving as a volunteer at two DAMA-sponsored events during the year following receipt of the award.
3. DAMA will grant only one (Individual) award for the full academic year in the amount of at least \$1,000. The winner will be announced and given the award at the DAMA's Annual Gala event, and recipient must be present to receive it. Payment will be disbursed to the student upon receipt of a copy of the proof of 2014 spring-semester school registration.

Disclaimer:

The DAMA Educational Award Committee does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, age, gender, disability, sexual orientation or religion. DAMA is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization seeking to address the need of all Dominicans and Dominican-American in the Mid-West Region of the U.S. We practice a fair evaluation process based solely on applicants' qualification.

Instructions for Submitting a Nomination

A complete application for the Dr. Ramón García Educational Award will contain a copy of each of the following items (each letter should contain an original signature):

1. From the **student**:
 - a) A completed application form (this form)
 - b) A personal statement of no more than 300 words that must include information about the applicant's post secondary objectives and community/school service activities outlining the following:
 - * Community/school or volunteer service activities
 - * Your proposed field of study and future career plans
 - * Your academic strengths and challenges
 - c) An official high school or college transcript.
2. Two letters of recommendation from teachers or professors, counselors, and/or school officials containing, but not limited to the following:
 - a) Verification of student's GPA, and graduation date from HS.
 - b) Information about the student's strengths, leadership skills and

The deadline to submit this application form is August 31.

Applicant's Name: _____

Address: _____

Home /Cell phone: _____ / _____

E-mail address: _____

D.O.B. _____

High school: _____

Expected completion date of high school requirements:

_____ / _____

**If enrolled in post-secondary institutions, cumulative GPA /
Maximum possible GPA:**

_____ / _____

**Name of College or Post-Secondary Institution Admitted to (if
known):**

Check Gender: Male () Female ()

I certify that the information on this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand that my application and supporting information become the property of the DAMA Educational Award Administrators and they shall have discretionary authority in all matters pertaining to this award. I understand this is a competitive merit and that submission of my application does not guarantee I will be the recipient of the award. In no event shall DAMA be liable for any special, incidental, indirect or consequential damages of any kind under any theory of liability, arising out of or in connection with the use or acceptance of this information.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Submission Instructions:

Completed applications must be postmarked on or before August 31 of the current year.

1: E-mail the completed application form (this form) and the personal statement to info@damamidwest.org in MS Word file format.

(PDF file format not acceptable)

2: Mail hard copy of the supporting documents (letters, transcript, etc.) to DAMA EDUCATIONAL AWARD COMMITTEE P.O. Box 3536, Oak Park, IL 60303