THE NAKAMURA FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP
Via Kapa’a High School Foundation

The Nakamura Family Scholarship, established in 2022 in honor of Galen Nakamura, will award $2000 to a deserving student of Kapa’a High School, class of 2022. The scholarship will be awarded to a student who plans to attend a four-year college or university and who has plans to return to Kaua’i to make our island a better place to live.

Galen Nakamura graduated from Kapa’a High School in 1978. He received his bachelor's degree in journalism, with a minor in English, at the University of Hawaii at Mānoa. He attended the University of San Francisco School of Law and passed the Hawaii State Bar in 1988. Galen worked at the State Office of the Public Defender, Legal Aid Society of Hawaii, and Kaua’i Office of the County Attorney. He was a law partner at Shiramizu, Loo & Nakamura. Galen passed away in 2019 and is survived by his wife, State Representative Nadine Nakamura, and two children, Casey and Reis Nakamura, who are both Kapa’a High School graduates.

Scholarship applications are available at the Kapa’a High School counselors’ office or online at the Kapa’a High School Foundation’s website http://kapaahighschoolfoundation.org or official Facebook page. All applications must be received by Monday, April 11, 2022.

Terms of Application for Scholarship

1. Applicant is a senior at Kapa’a High School with a grade point average of 3.0 or higher.
2. One-page type written double space personal essay addressing how this scholarship will enhance future goals and how this opportunity could be used to pay it forward to others in the future for the Kaua’i community.
3. A letter of recommendation from a teacher or coach highlighting applicants’ academic improvement and potential for future success or from a pastor, scout leader or other community leader describing the student’s community volunteer work.
4. Applicant shall submit a copy of letter of acceptance from college or university that applicant will attend, or statement explaining acceptance before scholarship check is issued.
5. Applicant shall submit a brief resume summarizing student’s academic and athletic achievements, extracurricular activities, and community service.
6. Applicant must complete the application form through The Nakamura Family Scholarship via the Kapa’a High School Foundation, available at the counselors’ office or online at the Kapa’a High School Foundation’s website: http://kapaahighfoundation.org or official Facebook page.

These documents should be legible and sent with properly attached documents. See specific return instructions provided on page 2 of this document.

Deadline for applications is Monday April 11, 2022. NO LATE OR INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. RESPONSIBILITY FOR TIMELY SUBMISSION RESTS WITH THE APPLICANT.

Guideline Criteria of Selection Committee:

***Resume and Personal Statement: 1 – 50 points
***Letter of Recommendation: 1 – 50 points
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Applicant’s Full Name:
(Last, First, MI): ____________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: ____________________________________________________________

Email Address: _____________________________________________________________

Phone Number: ____________________________________________________________

Parent/Guardian:
(Last, First, MI): __________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: ____________________________________________________________

Phone Number: ____________________________________________________________

Applicants must include with this application:

1. One-page type written double space personal essay addressing how this scholarship will enhance future goals and how this opportunity could be used to pay it forward to others in the future and the Kaua’i community.

2. A letter of recommendation from a teacher or coach highlighting applicants’ academic improvement and potential for future success or from a pastor, scout leader or other community leader describing the student’s community volunteer work.

3. A brief resume summarizing student’s academic and athletic achievements, extracurricular activities, and community service.

4. An official grade transcript is not required. In helping to keep with COVID-19 safety protocols, the student’s signature below gives consent for the Kapa’a High School Foundation Scholarship committee to obtain the student’s transcripts directly from the Kapa’a High School office.

I hereby declare that I have read all statements on the application form and that to the best of my knowledge and belief, they are correct and complete. I understand that if I am a recipient of this scholarship, I will make myself available and/or provide photos for publicity purposes for the Kapa’a High School Foundation, which may appear online or in other print or digital media.

Applicant’s Signature: __________________________________ Date: ________________

Completed applications and supporting documents should be scanned and emailed to the Kapa’a High School Foundation email address: kappaahighfoundation@gmail.com, or properly sealed and dropped off at the Kapa’a High School Counselors Office: ATTN: Mrs. Joan Kealalio

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION TO BE RECEIVED:
Monday, April 11, 2022