



## **SID ROMÁN LAW 2024 AMERICAN DREAM HISPANIC STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP**

The goal of the Sid Roman Law American Dream Scholarship is to provide the technology tools necessary for Hispanic, Latino, and ESOL students to succeed in college. Our firm will **award one or more Laptop(s) valued at up to \$1,000** to one or more deserving Orange County Public Schools Senior(s) who meet the eligibility requirements. We have typically awarded three (3) laptops per year.

### **Eligibility Requirements**

- 2023-24 Senior of Hispanic/Latino heritage at any Orange County Public High School graduating in the Spring of 2024
- 3.0 Unweighted GPA or higher on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent)
- Accepted to and enrolled to attend an accredited two or four-year college during the 24-25 school year
- In good standing with his/her/their Orange County Public High School

### **Application Deadline, Selection and Award Process**

Applicants will be evaluated, and winner(s) will be selected based on academic achievement, personal essay, recommendation letters (optional), financial need (not a determinative factor), and interview (if finalist).

**Application deadline is 5:00 p.m. on April 15, 2024.** Completed applications should be submitted to [pia@sidroman.com](mailto:pia@sidroman.com). Finalists will be selected and contacted for an interview by April 19, and winners will be notified of their selection on or about April 26, 2024.

Winners may be contacted about laptop specs and preferences prior to receiving their laptops. In order to receive their laptop, the winners will be required to provide proof of enrollment/registration at their respective college or university as soon as it's available, or by August 1, 2024 at the latest. Laptops will be awarded as long as proof of enrollment is provided.

The Scholarship award recipient(s) may be asked to attend event(s) where the scholarship winner(s) will be publicly announced, such as their High School's Senior Awards ceremonies.

### **Mentorship**

In addition to providing laptops through this scholarship, we believe that providing mentorship and support to students during their college journey is critical to their long-term success. Sid and Pia Roman are committed to providing their ongoing mentorship and support to all students who are or have been awarded this scholarship.



## SID ROMÁN LAW 2024 AMERICAN DREAM HISPANIC STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

### Instructions

Please fill in responses ensuring the application is complete. Do not leave any blanks (if an item does not apply, simply respond "N/A"). To ensure eligibility and consideration, please submit your completed application **no later than 5:00 p.m. on April 15, 2024** to [pia@sidroman.com](mailto:pia@sidroman.com). Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

### Applicant Information

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

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

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

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

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

Social Media Account Handles (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Are you of Hispanic or Latino heritage? (Yes/No, please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian's Name (for notification purposes): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Guardian's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please tell us a little about yourself:

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### Applicant's Academic Information

High School Attended: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Unweighted GPA as of Application Date (4.0 scale): \_\_\_\_\_

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SAT Scores: Writing and Language (W) \_\_\_\_\_, Reading (R) \_\_\_\_\_, and Math (M) \_\_\_\_\_ OR

ACT Scores: English Usage (W) \_\_\_\_\_, Reading (R) \_\_\_\_\_, Math (M) \_\_\_\_\_

Current ESOL student (Yes/No)? \_\_\_\_\_ How many years in ESOL program? \_\_\_\_\_

If within the two-year ESOL exit monitoring period, year exited ESOL? \_\_\_\_\_

If Dual-Enrolled in College during High School:

Where enrolled? \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Credit Hours Obtained: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list College level courses taken and grades received during Dual-Enrollment:

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Please list any AP (Advanced Placement) courses taken as well as AP test scores received (if available):

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**Please answer for 2024-25 academic year:**

College(s) or University(ies) applied to: \_\_\_\_\_

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College(s) or University(ies) admitted to:

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College or University intending to enroll in and attend during the 2023-24 academic year:

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## Financial Need

**Please answer for the 2024-25 academic year:**

2024-25 FAFSA application Completed? (Yes/No) \_\_\_\_\_ If no, why not?

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If FAFSA has been awarded, value of award: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated annual financial contribution from parent(s)/guardian: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated annual financial contribution from student's own income: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

What other scholarships have you applied for and/or have been awarded?

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**Statement of Financial Need (Optional):** Along with your application you may submit a brief statement about your financial need (i.e., family income, family situation, medical needs, employment, or other circumstances which affect your ability to pay for your education).

**Letter(s) of Recommendation (Optional)**

You may submit up to two letters of recommendation from teachers, employers, or mentors. Although this is not required, having recommendation letters is very helpful as we consider awards. Please include any letters along with your application.

**Personal Essay**

Please write and submit an essay of 400 to 600 words, answering one or more of the questions below:

- What were the biggest challenges you have faced as a Hispanic, Latino, or non-English speaking student in High School, and how did you overcome them?
- What are the biggest lessons you've learned as a Hispanic, Latino, or non-English speaking student about life in the United States? How will you use this experience to help you in the future?
- What are your academic and career goals and plans for college and beyond?

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**Transcript and Certification**

If considered a finalist for this scholarship, to verify answers on this application, I give The Law Offices of Sidney A. Román, P.A. permission to obtain my school transcript, academic records and other pertinent information from my Orange County Public High School prior to the award.

By signing below, I certify that all the information I have provided is accurate and correct to the best of my ability and knowledge. I certify that I release Sid Roman Law from any legal liability that may arise out of my application for this scholarship. I understand that this is an application only, and this is not a guarantee of any scholarship award approval. I understand that the scholarship is awarded at the sole discretion of Sid Roman Law.

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