

## Poston Community Alliance 2024 Unity of Spirit Scholarships

During World War II, incarcerated Japanese Americans shared a desert home with the Colorado River Indian Tribe. In the spirit of this connection that binds together these two disenfranchised groups through their shared history, the Poston Community Alliance is proud to sponsor scholarships for Parker High School students. Scholarships will be awarded as follows:

First place - \$500 Second place - \$300 Third place - \$200

Scholarship recipients will be selected based on their responses to an essay question reflecting the *Poston Live* curriculum. Excerpts from winning essays will be published in the Poston Community Alliance newsletter.

Applications can be downloaded from the Poston Community Alliance website at <a href="https://www.postonpreservation.org/poston-live">https://www.postonpreservation.org/poston-live</a>, or obtained from Parker High School guidance counselors.

Completed applications must be emailed to *postonalliance1@gmail.com* and received by October 4, 2024. Applications should be submitted as PDF documents. Applications submitted by students under age 18 will also require a counselor's signature.

Winners will be notified via email and recognized at the annual Poston Pilgrimage in Parker, Arizona. Awards will be presented at the Pilgrimage banquet at the Blue Water Resort & Casino on October 26, 2024.

For questions or more information, contact Marlene Shigekawa at marshige@comcast.net.



## POSTON COMMUNITY ALLIANCE 2024 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (page 1)

This award is open only to students currently attending Parker High School.

The application is two pages. Please type or print in ink.

| First Name      | Last Name |                 |     |  |
|-----------------|-----------|-----------------|-----|--|
| Address         | City      | State           | Zip |  |
| Email           |           | Area Code/Phone |     |  |
| Grade in School |           | Age             |     |  |

## **ESSAY QUESTION**

The Poston Live: Its Lesson and Multicultural Legacy curriculum shares the story of the Japanese Americans incarcerated on Colorado River Indian Tribe land during World War II, and how the Japanese Americans overcame their differences with the indigenous community and shared their histories. How does what you've learned through Poston Live reflect on your own personal story?

Your response must be formatted as follows:

12 pt. font 1-inch margins Double-spaced 2,000-word maximum

## POSTON COMMUNITY ALLIANCE 2024 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (page 2)

Counselor Signature (if student is under age 18)

| CERTIFICATION   |      |
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| I certify that the information submitted is true to the best of my knowledge. |      |
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| Student Signature   | Date |
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Date

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