



JOSE GESAVIO CASTILLEJA DESCENDANTS NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

2026 Scholarship Application

Applicant Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____ Family Color: _____

School/University Enrolled: _____

The Jose Gesavio Castilleja Scholarship Program is administered without regard to race, color, religion, creed, gender, or national origin.

DEADLINES:

Enrollment: June 1, 2026-August 1, 2026

Applications due: August 1, 2026.

Finalists will be notified: August 5, 2026 via email.

ELIGIBILITY:

Scholarships are based on a combination of financial need, academic or personal merit.

ESSAY EMAIL SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:

Complete the following:

- Download [Scholarship Application](#)
- Download and learn about [Geneology and Family Reunions](#).
- Download and learn about our [Family History](#).
- Download and learn about what the [2026 Castilleja Family Reunions](#) has to offer.
- Submit a typed Essay based on your learned lessons about our Family History, Geneology and Family Reunion Information. (NO WORD LIMIT) We want to hear your voice so don't limit yourself with your answers.
- Provide a copy of your official high school transcript or college transcript.
- Provide enrollment documents from your college, university or trade school
- Submit Signed Application and Essay via Email to Priscastilleja@yahoo.com

ESSAY QUESTIONS:

1. Can you trace your family branch from the family tree? Where do you fall under the family tree history?
2. What is the purpose of *you* learning your genealogy and family history?
3. Why are family reunions important to you?
4. Would you attend a family reunion? Why?
5. ***Pass It On:*** As long as your attending school, if you can get a yearly scholarship from this foundation by volunteering to support the Jose Gesavio Castilleja Descendants Nonprofit Organization fundraisers, will you support the fundraising program? What would you suggest to help improve the fundraisers?
6. What would do to convince younger generations to attend the Family Reunions?
7. What family traditions do you follow now at your own family gatherings? How has being connected to your family made you a better person?
8. Do you want to meet other family members from this family tree?
9. What would you do to create your own legacy?
10. Why is teaching our children about your family history important?

THE SELECTION PROCESS:

The Jose Gesavio Castilleja Descendants Nonprofit Organization (JGCNPO) Scholarship committee will review all **scholarship applications based on a combination of financial need, academic or personal merit. All family colors will be considered.**

1. Scholarship recipients will be notified via email.
2. Scholarship recipient will be notified by August 5, 2026 via email and posted at www.CastillejaFamilyReunion.org/Scholarship Recipients.
3. Funds will be made payable to the student or the students parents if the student is a minor. Part of being an adult is responsibility. JCCNPO will leave it up to you as to how you use your scholarship funds to assist your academic journey.

Printed Name

Date

Signature

For questions, please email Priscastilleja@yahoo.com.