

Parental Consent & Terms and Conditions Agreement for MHG Comparison Scholarship Program Participation

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Student's Name (Applicant): _____

Date of Birth: _____

Grade Level (8-12): _____

School Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Name: _____

Relationship to Student: _____

Contact Information (Phone/Email): _____

I, the undersigned, the parent or legal guardian of the above-named student(applicant), hereby grant permission for my child to participate in the MHG Compassion Scholarship Program("Program") from MHG Charitable Foundation("Foundation) and agree to the terms and conditions outlined below.

Terms and Conditions Agreement

1. Consent to Collect Information:

- I consent to the collection of my child's personal information, including academic records and financial details, as part of the scholarship application process. The collected information will be used for this *Program* only, in accordance with the MHG Compassion Scholarship Privacy Policy posted on the <https://www.mhgcharitablefoundation.org>.
- Applicants have the right to request the deletion of their personal data if they withdraw from the application process.
- Collected info will be stored in cloud secured by cloud service provider.
- Collected info will be used by *Foundation* Scholarship Review and Selection Committee Members and associated service providers for this *Program* only

2. Consent for Communication:

- I consent to the *Foundation* by contacting my child(applicant) via text message, email, and phone call for purposes directly related to the *Program* application process. This includes communication regarding the status of the application, award notifications, and any follow-up information. We understand that this contact will be limited solely to matters related to the *Program*.

3. Eligibility:

- The applicant must be in grades 8-12 with a minimum GPA of 2.5 and reside in the Los Angeles, Orange County, and nearby counties.
- The scholarship is awarded based on financial need, educational, cultural, and social barriers, personal challenges and extraordinary circumstances.
- The scholarship can be applied through 3rd party assistance including teachers and religious or monastic educators.

4. Application materials

- Personal Essay
- Required Documents:
 - Transcript

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- Support documents related to the reason for application (e.g., financial hardship, special needs)
- Optional: Proof of low-income status (if applicable)
- Consent and Confidential Agreement
- Letter of Recommendation (Optional but encouraged)
- Creative Pieces (Optional but strongly encouraged)

5. Application Review & Selection

- *Foundation* is committed to fairness, transparency, and ethical standards in our selection process.
- *Foundation* focuses on awarding students with the greatest need and potential for impact, using a holistic approach that includes academic qualifications, personal essays, proof of need, and creative pieces. Phone interviews may be conducted as needed.
- Awards are distributed based on need categories, and a standardized evaluation rubric guides the process. This ensures that every applicant is given a fair chance and the support they deserve to succeed.

6. Scholarship Amount:

- The scholarship amount ranges from \$500 to \$1,500. The final award amount will depend on the applicant's need and available funding, as well as the number of applicants.

7. Award Disbursement:

- The scholarship will be paid directly to the student during the award ceremony/banquet for qualified educational expenses.

8. Use of Funds:

- The scholarship must be used exclusively for educational expenses, such as tuition, books, or supplies. Funds cannot be used for personal expenses.

9. Scholarship Ceremony/Banquet:

- The recipient is required to attend the MHG Compassion Scholarship Award Ceremony to officially receive the scholarship. One family member/guardian/teacher may accompany the recipient.

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- Students will have the opportunity to share their stories or showcase their skills.
- The ceremony will be held at a high-end hotel in Orange County. This event aims to create lasting connections, offering ongoing support and resources beyond the monetary award.

10. Ongoing Support:

- Recipients may be contacted by the *Foundation* for follow-up communication, mentorship, or additional resources after the award. The goal is to provide long-term support beyond the monetary award.
- Student/parent has the right to refuse the ongoing support by informing *Foundation* in written format.

11. Confidentiality:

- All personal information provided in the scholarship application will be kept confidential and used solely for the purpose of the scholarship program selection process.

12. Commitment:

- I understand that my child is expected to uphold the standards of the scholarship program and use the funds for their educational advancement. Any violation of the terms may result in forfeiture of the award.

13. Tax Considerations:

- I acknowledge that if the scholarship is used for non-qualified expenses (e.g., room and board), it may be taxable. The recipient will be responsible for reporting any taxable portion of the scholarship on their tax return.

14. Liability:

- I release *Foundation*, the *Program* and its affiliates from any liability related to my child's participation in the program.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____