



## Class of 2023

### STUDENT INFORMATION

Name: First \_\_\_\_\_ MI \_\_\_\_ Last \_\_\_\_\_

Last four digits of Social Security# \_\_\_\_\_ Student I.D.# \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender:  Male  Female

High School \_\_\_\_\_ Counselor \_\_\_\_\_

#### Permanent Mailing Address:

Street \_\_\_\_\_ Apt. # \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

#### Student Residency Status:

**\*To be eligible to become a Simon Scholar, you must be a U.S. Citizen or a Permanent Legal Resident.\***

City, State of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

I confirm that I am a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Legal Resident \_\_\_\_\_ (Initials)

Permanent Resident # (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_ Issue Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

### **Mother's Information**

Information About Mother Unknown\*

Mother is Deceased\*

\* If you check either of these boxes you may leave this section blank

Mother's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Marital Status:

Married to Father  Single  Divorced  Re-married  Separated  Widowed

Highest Education Completed: (Check one)

No Formal School  Elementary School  High School  2-Year Degree

4-Year Degree  Graduate Degree  Trade School or Certificate Program

Mother's Occupation/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Father's Information**

Information About Father Unknown\*

Father is Deceased\*

\* If you check either of these boxes you may leave this section blank

Father's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Marital Status:

Married to Mother  Single  Divorced  Re-married  Separated  Widowed

Highest Education Completed: (Check one)

No Formal School  Elementary School  High School  2-Year Degree

4-Year Degree  Graduate Degree  Trade School or Certificate Program

Father's Occupation/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

**Guardian Information**

Complete this section if you live with someone other than your parent(s) (referred to as "Guardian")

Guardian's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship (grandparent, aunt, family friend, etc.): \_\_\_\_\_

Is the Guardian also your Legal Guardian\*? Yes  No  Don't Know

Does the Guardian claim you as a "dependent" on federal income tax? Yes  No  Don't Know

Guardian's Marital Status: Married Single Divorced Separated Widowed

Highest Education Completed: (Check one)

No Formal School  Elementary School  High School  2-Year Degree

4-Year Degree  Graduate Degree  Trade School or Certificate Program

Guardian's Occupation/Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

## ADDITIONAL HOUSEHOLD INFORMATION

What is your first language? \_\_\_\_\_

How often is English spoken at home? Always  Occasionally  Rarely or Never

Will you be the first person in your immediate family to attend college?  Yes  No

If "No," explain who has attended college, where they attended, and type of degree sought or earned:

\_\_\_\_\_

With whom do you currently live? (*both parents, parent and stepparent, other family member, etc.*)

Total number of people living in home: (including you): \_\_\_\_\_

Please list all people living in your home:

Name, age and relation

Do you have additional siblings not living with you?  Yes  No

If yes, please list name and age below:

## STUDENT ACTIVITIES

***Please list most recent events first***

Extracurricular Activities (Clubs, Sports, Music/Arts)

From(Mo/Yr) To(Mo/Yr)

Community Service/Volunteer Work

From(Mo/Yr)

To(Mo/Yr)

Honors/Awards Received (Please list most recent first)

Year Received

### Employment

Are you, the applicant, currently employed? Yes No

If yes, where do you work? \_\_\_\_\_

How many hours per week: \_\_\_\_\_ Hourly Wage Earned: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## FAMILY INCOME

Financial need is based on the income of the person/family you lived with most during the past 12 months. Please attach a copy of the most recent tax return(s) from either:

- Both biological parents (if they are married)

Or

- The parent you lived with the most during the past year, and that parent's spouse if he/she is remarried

Or

- The Guardian you live with if that person is financially responsible for you and claims you as a dependent on his/her taxes

Please include copies of the first two pages of the 1040 Federal Tax Form, which indicates total "Gross Adjusted Income." Include "Schedule C" forms if parent is self-employed. If parents are exempt from filing taxes, please include a written statement explaining why. If privacy is an issue, parents may submit unfolded tax return(s) in a large, sealed envelope with the applicant's name and school written clearly on the outside. Parents may also black out Social Security Numbers. Due to the sensitivity of this documentation, all submitted tax records will be destroyed at the completion of the application process.

Does your family receive financial payments in the form of child support, alimony or social security?

Yes  No      If "Yes," state monthly amount received and from whom: \_\_\_\_\_

Has your family income changed significantly in the past year?  Yes  No      If "Yes," please explain:

## Short-Answer Essays

As we consider your New Mexico Simon Scholars application, we value your reflections on your strengths and struggles, perspectives and experiences. Please respond to the following essay questions. Your responses should be approximately 300 words each and in essay format, not bullet points. **Please attach responses to your application.**

1. Briefly share with us a challenge you have faced and the ways in which you worked through this. What internal strengths or external resources helped you overcome this challenge? What did you learn from this experience?
2. What are your goal and aspirations for the future, and how would participation in the New Mexico Simon Scholars Program help you reach these goals?
3. Our scholars share a common dedication to performing well in school and earning a college degree. Aside from this, tell us what you are most passionate about. This may include an activity, a hobby, a goal, a cause, a belief....

## APPLICANT CERTIFICATION AND RELEASE OF INFORMATION

Have you ever been subjected to disciplinary action (such as probation, suspension, or dismissal) by any school you have attended? If yes, please explain.

Have you ever participated in any activities that do not reflect the high standards established by the Simon Family Foundation or that would prevent you from being an effective role model? If yes, please explain.

***The Simon Scholars Program is an intensive participatory program that requires committing extra personal time to weeknights, weekends and overnight events scheduled throughout the year.***

Can you and will you agree to participate fully?  Yes  No

Is there any other activity or conflict that will prevent you from attending?  Yes  No

If "Yes", please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

***I certify that I have provided complete and accurate information. I further certify that all documents are authentic and unaltered. I authorize the \_\_\_\_\_ School District to release my student records, including transcripts, to the Foundation and Selection Committee. I understand that I must notify the Foundation of any change in my full-time school enrollment or application status. I further declare that if I am selected as a Simon Scholar, I will continue to attend a Certified Simon Scholar High School and commit to participating in all Foundation events, acting as a role model and abiding by the Simon Scholar minimal GPA requirements. I understand that if I am found to be in violation of any of these requirements, my scholarship could be jeopardized.***

Student Signature

Date

Parent or Guardian Signature

Date



## APPLICATION CHECKLIST

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION TO  
YOUR SCHOOL GUIDANCE COUNSELOR'S OFFICE or  
OTHER DESIGNATED CONTACT PERSON  
BY **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2021**

Use the following checklist to ensure that all requested documents are enclosed:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Completed Application Form with Signatures
- \_\_\_\_\_ Complete High School Transcript, Including Fall 2020 grades
- \_\_\_\_\_ Last Year's Federal Tax Return for Parents/Guardians as well  
as all supporting documentation
- \_\_\_\_\_ Short-Answer Essays
- \_\_\_\_\_ Two Completed Recommendation Forms (see attached forms)

***This application must be filled out in its entirety. Incomplete applications will not be reviewed or considered. All submitted documents must arrive in the same package.***