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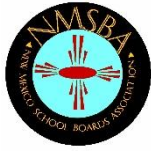
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## CAPITAN MUNICIPAL SCHOOLS BOARD OF EDUCATION

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### *AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY*

1. Board Meeting Date: April 9, 2026
2. Item Title: V.B.6 NMSBA Student Scholarship Nomination
3. Name of Presenter: V. Lee
4. This item is for: XX Action \_\_\_ Consent Agenda \_\_\_ Discussion \_\_\_ Report/Information
5. Proposed Motion (Action Items Only): I move that we nominate \_\_\_\_\_  
for the 2026 NMSBA Student Scholarship from Capitan High School, as presented.
6. Executive Summary: Please see attached.



# New Mexico School Boards Association 2026 Scholarship Program Guidelines

## Purpose

The purpose of the NMSBA Scholarship Program is to encourage and promote the attainment of higher education and career/technical education goals for students who have demonstrated a high level of leadership, academic achievement, community involvement and extra-curricular activity participation during high school.

## Eligible Nominations

In order to maximize participation in the program all NMSBA member boards can participate in the program. However, priority will be given to boards whose nominees did not receive a scholarship in the previous year. The following boards nominations received awards in 2025:

**Region I**-Aztec, Central, Gallup; **Region II**-Cuba, Pecos, Pojoaque; **Region III**-Mosquero, Springer, West Las Vegas; **Region IV**-Belen, Jemez Valley, Socorro; **Region V**-Dora, Fort Sumner, House; **Region VI**-Artesia, Hobbs, Tatum; **Region VII**-Capitan, Cloudcroft, Ruidoso; **Region VIII**-Cobre, Lordsburg, Reserve.

## Nominations

Each eligible NMSBA Board of Education may nominate one graduating senior planning to enroll in a postsecondary education or career/technical education institution.

## Nomination Forms

Nominations must be submitted in electronic form by participating Boards of Education and must include the following:

1. Completed Scholarship Nomination Form in PDF format.
2. Color photo of nominee suitable for use in press announcements in JPEG format.

## Nomination Deadline

**The deadline for receipt of each Board's nomination electronically is 5:00 p.m. Friday, April 10, 2026.**

## Region Selection Committees

The Region Officers (President, Vice-President and Secretary) from each of NMSBA's eight regions will serve as the scholarship selection committee for the region.

## Selection of Recipients

The Region Selection Committees will review and consider nominations received from each region and make selections for students going on to higher education or career/technical education based on the following criteria:

- ★ Demonstrated Leadership
- ★ Academic Performance
- ★ Community Involvement
- ★ Extra-Curricular Activities

## Number of Scholarships and Amounts

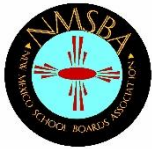
The number and dollar amount of scholarship awards per year is determined by the availability of funds and may vary from year to year. **For 2026 three scholarships per region will be awarded for a total of 24 scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 each.**

## Presentation of Scholarship Awards

Scholarship awards will be announced at the Annual NMSBA School Law Conference Luncheon which will be held Friday, June 5, 2026.

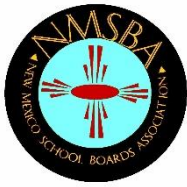
## Use of Funds

Scholarship funds will be provided to the student and may be utilized by recipients to pay tuition, fees, books, or other education related expenses.



## New Mexico School Boards Association 2026 Scholarship Program Timeline

March 3, 2026	Scholarship guidelines, nomination forms and timeline are emailed to all school board members & superintendents.
March 2-April 10, 2026 (6 Weeks)	School boards consider and select nominees and prepare scholarship nomination forms.
<u>April 10, 2026</u>	<u>Deadline for receipt of scholarship nomination forms from eligible school boards.</u>
April 17, 2026	Deadline for NMSBA staff to forward scholarship nominations to Region Officers for review and consideration.
April 17-May 8, 2026 (3 weeks)	Regional Officers review scholarship nominations based on established criteria. (Leadership, Academics, Community Involvement, Activities)
<u>May 8, 2026</u>	<u>Deadline for Region Officers to select Scholarship Recipients.</u>
May 28, 2026	Deadline for NMSBA staff to forward Scholarship Recipients to NMSBA Board of Directors for review.
<u>June 4, 2026</u>	<u>NMSBA Board of Directors officially concurs with Scholarship Recipients</u>
<u>June 5, 2026</u>	<u>Scholarship Recipients are announced at the NMSBA School Law Conference and press release is issued.</u>
June- 2026	Scholarship Awards are mailed to recipients or presented to recipients by Region Officers or Nominating School Board at a special or regular meeting.



# New Mexico School Boards Association Scholarship Nomination Form

300 Galisteo Street, Suite 204, Santa Fe, NM 87501  
 Phone: (505) 983-5041 Fax: (505) 983-2450  
 Email Address: NMSBA@nmsba.org

### INSTRUCTIONS

**To be considered for an NMSBA Scholarship, a local School Board must complete this nomination form for one graduating senior and forward it to NMSBA electronically on or before Friday, April 10, 2026 in PDF format. Please program your message to ask for a read receipt on your email to verify it has been received.**

***Please TYPE the following information onto the nomination form:***

Name of School Board Making Nomination:	NMSBA Region No.
Name of Nominee – First, Middle, Last:	Age
Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____	Phone No. _____
Name of High School:	Graduation Date
Parent(s)/Guardian(s): _____	
Address: (if different from above) _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____	Phone No. _____
Name of post-secondary or career/technical institution nominee will be/is considering attending: _____	
<p><b><u>Special Note:</u></b> Please attach a color photo of the nominee in JPG format suitable for distribution to the media for publicity purposes if the nominee is selected as a scholarship recipient.  <i>Please check box if attached <input type="checkbox"/></i></p>	

### CERTIFICATION

We certify that the enclosed information is true and correct to the best of our knowledge as reflected by the appropriate school records. We understand any false information given will automatically void this nomination.

**Signatures:**

Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Board President: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# **New Mexico School Boards Association Scholarship Nomination Form**

## **SELECTION CRITERIA**

**Please complete this section of the nomination form by detailing the manner in which the Board of Education's nominee meets each of the following selection criteria. Please provide specific activities and accomplishments for review and consideration by the NMSBA Scholarship Selection Committee.**

- DEMONSTRATED LEADERSHIP

- ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

- COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

# **New Mexico School Boards Association Scholarship Nomination Form**

- EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- OTHER ACTIVITIES/AWARDS

**Please send nomination form in PDF format and photo in JPEG format  
electronically to:**

**Elizabeth Egelhoff, NMSBA Program Director**

**elizab@nmsba.org**

**no later than Friday, April 10, 2026**

***Incomplete nominations will not be considered!***