

Irena Drobinski Foundation Scholarship Application (Completed by parent/guardian)
Empowering First-Generation Immigrant Families Through Education

Eligibility Criteria

Before completing this application, please ensure that you meet the following criteria:

1. You are a first-generation immigrant where both parents were born outside the United States
 2. You are a US Citizen
 3. You are a resident of Dallas County, TX/Lake County, IL.
 4. You are attending or planning to attend a private high school.
 5. You demonstrate financial need.
 6. You have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent).
 7. Application must be completed and submitted by June 1 to applications@irenadrobinskifoundation.org
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Section 1: Personal Information

Applicant Information

- Full Name: _____
- Date of Birth: _____
- Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
- Phone Number: _____
- Email Address: _____

Parent/Guardian Information

- Full Name(s): _____
 - Relationship to Applicant: _____
 - Address (if different from applicant): _____
City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 - Phone Number: _____
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Section 2: Verification of Eligibility

Residency

- Are you a resident of Dallas County, TX, or Lake County, IL? [] Yes [] No

First-Generation Immigrant Status

- Were you born outside the United States? [] Yes [] No
- If yes, please list the country/countries of their birth: _____

Academic Information

- Current School: _____
- Current Grade Level: _____
- Cumulative GPA: _____
(Please attach an official transcript.)

Planned Private High School

- Name of School: _____
 - Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
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Section 3: Financial Information

Household Income

- Total Household Income (from all sources): \$_____
(Please attach proof of income, such as recent tax returns or pay stubs.)
 - Number of Dependents in Household: _____
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Section 4: Personal Statement from Applicant

Please provide a personal statement (500-750 words) addressing the following points:

1. Your educational and career goals.
2. The challenges you have faced as a first-generation immigrant.
3. How this scholarship will impact your education and future.

(Attach your personal statement to this application.)

Section 5: Personal Statement from Parent(s)

Each parent or guardian may submit a statement (500-750 words) in their language of choice, answering the following:

1. Explain how you value education.
2. Describe how you are involved in your child's education.
3. Explain how this scholarship will benefit your family.

(Attach the personal statement(s) to this application. We will translate statements into English if necessary.)

Section 6: Letters of Recommendation for Applicant

Please provide at least one letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, or community leader who can speak to your child's character and academic potential.

Recommender Information

- Name: _____
- Relationship to Applicant: _____
- Phone Number: _____
- Email Address: _____

(Attach the recommendation letter(s) to this application.)

Section 7: Community Involvement from Applicant

List any community service, extracurricular activities, or leadership roles you have participated in. Include the name of the organization, your role, and the duration of your involvement. This includes Sunday school, sports, instruments, etc.

- Organization: _____
Role: _____
Duration: _____

(Attach additional sheets if necessary.)

Section 8: Certification and Signature

I certify that the information provided in this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false statements or misrepresentations may result in the forfeiture of any scholarship awarded to me.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Submission Instructions

Submit the completed application form along with all required attachments by June 1, 2025 to:

applications@irenadrobinskifoundation.org

For additional information or assistance, please contact the foundation at applications@irenadrobinskifoundation.org.

(Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.)