Who funds these scholarships?
The Gavilan College Educational Foundation (GCEF) is a non-profit organization which provides scholarship funds to Gavilan College students. GCEF and other community organizations use this application to select scholarship recipients.

Why apply?
Scholarships are a form of financial aid which does not need to be paid back.

What are the requirements to apply?

1. You must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 for GCEF scholarships. Private scholarship donors may require higher GPA. The Financial Aid Office will screen all scholarship applications and forward eligible applicant packets to Scholarship Selection Committees for consideration.

2. You will attend Gavilan College in 2009 – 2010 academic year (Fall 2009, Spring 2010) OR you will transfer from Gavilan to a four-year university in 2009 – 2010.

3. Submit a complete application packet which includes: Application, Recommendation Form, Personal Statement and unofficial high school transcripts (if you are a current high school senior). If you are a current Gavilan College student, you do not need to submit Gavilan transcripts.

What is a “Personal Statement”? You are required to submit a one page single or double spaced statement which will be forwarded along with your application packet to the Scholarship Selection Committee. On this statement you may include any pertinent information regarding your educational goals, financial need, and leadership qualities. Your Personal Statement distinguishes you from all other applicants. Please ensure you proof read your Personal Statement to remove typos.

Do I need to submit transcripts?
If you are a current high school senior, you are required to submit unofficial high school transcripts.

If you are a current Gavilan student who has completed at least one semester at Gavilan, you do not need to submit transcripts. Our office will print these.

If you are a student who will be transferring to Gavilan College from another college, you will be required to submit an unofficial transcript from that college.

When is the application due?
This application is due to the Financial Aid Office on Friday February 27, 2009.
Scholarship Application Information
2009 – 2010

When will I be notified if I am selected for a scholarship?
Applicants will be notified of their application status in April 2009.

When and how are scholarship funds released?
GCEF scholarship funds will be issued in two payments: one for the Fall 2009 semester and the other half in the Spring 2010 semester. All scholarship payments will be mailed to students after enrollment is confirmed. If you are transferring from Gavilan College to a four-year university in Fall 2009, you are required to provide the Financial Aid Office with enrollment confirmation to allow release of scholarship funds. Note: Private scholarship donors may release payments in one payment for the Fall 2009 or in two payments (one in Fall 2009 and the other in Spring 2010).

How do I get my funds if I transfer?
If you are selected for a scholarship for fall 2009 semester and will have transferred to a four-year university, you are required to provide the Financial Aid Office with proof of enrollment before your scholarship funds are released.

Want to apply for more scholarships?
Visit us online at www.gavilan.edu/finaid/ for more scholarship opportunities.
Scholarship Application 2009-2010

Due: Fri. Feb. 27, 2009

Return Complete Application Packet to:
Financial Aid Office ~ 5055 Santa Teresa Blvd. ~ Gilroy, CA 95020

Applicant Information

| Full Name: | SSN: ___________________________ |
| Last | First | M.I. |
| OR | Gavilan ID: G00 |

Mailing Address:
P.O. Box or Street Address
Apartment/Unit #

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Date of Birth: ___________________________ Email Address: ___________________________

Martial Status: ___________________________ Do you have dependent children? □ Yes □ No

Gender: □ Male □ Female Ages of Children: ___________________________

Check if you are: □ High School Senior who will graduate in 6/2009

□ Current Gavilan student who will transfer to 4-year university in 2008-09 □ Farm Worker

□ Current Gavilan student who will continue studies at Gavilan in 2008-09 □ Veteran

□ A student who has returned to college after an absence of at least 4 years.

Education

Major to be pursued at Gavilan College: □ Certificate □ Associate Degree □ General Ed for Transfer

Subject: ___________________________

Career interest: ___________________________

High School attended: ___________________________ City: ___________________________

Did you graduate? □ Yes □ No Obtained: □ High School Diploma □ GED □ Other: ___________________________

Colleges attended: ___________________________

Will you transfer? □ Yes □ No Transferring to: ___________________________ When? FA 20____ SP 20____

Student Financial Information

Will you/have you submitted a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) for the 2009-10 school year? □ Yes □ No

If yes, will/did you list the Gavilan College Federal School Code on your FAFSA? □ Yes □ No

Student & Spouse 2008 Annual Earned Income: $_____________. OR Student & Spouse Projected 2008 Annual Earned Income: $_____________.

Student’s Place of Employment ___________________________ Hours Worked Per Week: ___________

Student & Spouse 2008 Non-Taxable Income: $_____________.

Additional financial information you would like us to consider (when assessing financial need):
If the applicant meets all of the following criteria, please complete the next section on “Parent/Guardian Info”
1. Under age of 24
2. Unmarried
3. Do not have children or other dependents whom the student supports financially.
4. Have at least one living parent, and student is not a ward/dependent of the court
5. Not a veteran

Parent/Guardian Information to be completed by parent(s)/guardians

Parent(s) Martial Status: ___________________________  Number of Dependent Children under age of 24: ______

Number in Household which will attend college: ______  Will the applicant be claimed as a dependent on 2008 Federal Income Tax Return?  Yes  No

Parent(s) 2008 Annual Earned Income: $_____________________  OR  Parent(s) Projected 2008 Earned Income: $_____________________

Additional financial information you would like us to consider (when assessing financial need):

Academic/Community Honors & Recognition

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Disclaimer & Signature

I/We certify that my answers are true and complete to the best of my/our knowledge.
If this application leads to an award, I understand that false or misleading information on my application will result in my disqualification. I/We authorize the Gavilan College Financial Aid Office to release information in this application to the Scholarship Selection Committee and any other organization or its representatives to determine eligibility. The data contained herein shall remain confidential. I understand that if selected as a recipient, my name and likeness may be used in publicity regarding the scholarship.

Student Signature: ___________________________  Date: ___________________________

Parent Signature: ___________________________  Date: ___________________________

(For dependent students only)

Reminder to submit
1.) Application
2.) Personal Statement
3.) (1) Recommendation Form  4.) High school seniors: Submit unofficial copies of transcripts
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## Recommendation Form

### Student Information

Student Name:

### Instructions

Scholarships are awarded on academic performance, extracurricular involvement and in some instances, financial need. Please be specific regarding your knowledge of the applicant.

This recommendation form should be completed by an instructor, academic counselor, mentor, member of the religious organization, coach, supervisor, etc. It should be placed in a sealed envelope and returned to the student.

If you would like additional information from the applicant, you may ask the student to share his/her Personal Statement with you.

### Recommendation

How long have you known this student?  

________________________

How well do you consider you personally know the applicant?  □ Very Well  □ Fairly Well  □ Not very well  □ Slightly

Please rate all areas in which you feel you have adequate knowledge of the student. Check one box for each area and provide an overall recommendation.

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### Comments

In this section, please provide all pertinent information you have regarding the applicant, including character traits and qualities.

### Signature

Evaluator’s Name (Print):  

______________________________________________

Relationship to Applicant:  

______________________________________________

Signature:  

______________________________________________

Date:  

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