

**ISMAEL FERNANDEZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
**Criteria & Eligibility Requirements**

Ismael Fernandez had a passion for community service and involvement in government. As a freshman, he served as a Page for the Idaho House of Representatives. He was appointed to the Idaho Juvenile Justice Commission when he was only 17. At age 19, he was elected to the Wilder City Council, becoming the youngest elected official in Idaho. Just prior to his tragic death in a car accident in 2017, he had been appointed to the Idaho Suicide Prevention Council. His family and friends have established this scholarship fund in hopes of assisting other students who share Ismael's passion for community service.

1. Completed applications must be received on or before February 26th, 2022. Completed applications are to be mailed or personally delivered to the Health and Technology Conference Scholarship Committee, at 317 Happy Day Blvd., St. 250 Caldwell, ID 83607.
2. Eligibility Requirements: 1) Must be a senior high school student; 2) must have a 2.2 GPA minimum; and 3) must be accepted into a 2-year or 4-year accredited post-secondary educational program, vocational technical school, vocational institute, business school, or some other qualifying training institute. Must be of Hispanic or Latino decent, 5) Must live in Idaho 6) Must attend the Hispanic Health and Technology Careers Conference on March 5th, 2022 at College of Idaho.
3. A complete application will include:
  - The application cover sheet (see next page);
  - A written essay of 500 words to 1000 words. Explain a community problem, what you think are the causes of the problem, and what you believe can be done to solve the problem;
  - A resume indicating activities and offices held; honors and awards received; community service projects including hours volunteered and employment history;
  - Either a transcript through seven semesters or a letter of acceptance from an institute of higher education (note that grades or acceptance are only to verify eligibility, and are not otherwise considered for this scholarship);
  - One letter of recommendation. It may be from a teacher, advisor, coach, or from an adult in the community (not a parent or close relative).
4. Candidates will be judged based on the following criteria:
  - Services, activities, and passion for community improvement
  - Character
  - Leadership
  - Recommendations
5. The actual cash award will be disbursed directly to the institution in which the student enrolls. The funds are to be used for educational expenses only, which include the following: 1) Student tuition and fees; 2) Room and Board; 3) Books and supplies; 4) Expenses related to reasonable commuting; and 5) Other expenses reasonably related to attendance at a post-secondary educational institution.
6. The awards will be announced during the Hispanic Health and Technology Careers conference on March 5th, 2022. More details about the conference can be found by clicking here: [HHTCC](#)
7. The scholarship is a one-time \$1000 award.

