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Piute Mountain Graduates,

First and foremost, congratulations on graduating High School and hopefully moving forward with college, trade school and/or the military. I am enclosing the scholarship application for you. It must be Received at the above address by May 1, 2026 for this year.

If you have any questions, please call us at (661 867-2301).

Thank you and best wishes!  
Piute Mountain School

# Caliente Educational Foundation

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## Scholarship Guidelines

This scholarship is intended to recognize students having graduated eighth grade at Piute Mountain School. To be eligible for consideration, the student must plan on attending (or already attending for College Scholarship) a College, University or approved Trade School. The scholarship will provide student(s) with a total of \$5,000 which will be distributed amongst the qualified applicants.

To apply for this scholarship, a student must complete the attached application and submit it for review to the scholarship committee at the above address. Please follow the application instructions stated below carefully. ***If any part of the application is not complete, it will be rejected.***

Typed or clearly written

❖ Accompanied by an official transcript

❖ Accompanied by three letters of recommendation (one from one of your teachers, one from a community member, and one from a past/present employer or a school administrator)

❖ Include senior photograph (or current photograph)

❖ Received at the above address by May 1, 2026.

Applicants may undergo interviews at each level of competition. The decision will be made by the scholarship committee.

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# Kenneth M. McElroy Memorial Athletic Scholarship Guidelines

Kenneth M. McElroy was a resident of Twin Oaks, a bus driver, and football coach for the Caliente Union School District. Mr. McElroy loved to coach and play sports. He was very athletic throughout his high school days at Bakersfield High School.

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To apply for this scholarship, a student must complete the attached application and submit it for review to the scholarship committee at the above address. Please follow the application instructions stated below carefully. **If any part of the application is not complete, it will be rejected.**

**The application must be:**

- ❖ **Typed or clearly written**
- ❖ **Accompanied by an official transcript**
- ❖ **Accompanied by three letters of recommendation (one from one of your teachers, one from a community member, and one from a past/present employer or a school administrator)**
- ❖ **POSTMARKED BY May 1, 2026**

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### Adam Zanutto Memorial Scholarship Guidelines

Adam Zanutto was a resident of Walker Basin and a Piute Mountain School Graduate. Adam served in the United States Marines and lost his life for our country in Iraq on March 6, 2006.

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- Accompanied by an official transcript
- Accompanied by three letters of recommendation (one from one of your teachers, one from a community member, and one from a past/present employer or a school administrator)
- Include senior photograph (or current photograph)
- Received at the above address by May 1, 2026.

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Chip Ward was a valued member of our community who gave tirelessly to Piute Mountain School. He was a member/chairman in the Caliente Education Foundation for 17 years which raised money for our school. He also volunteered his time to be a member of the Caliente Union School Board. He passed away on April 13, 2022.

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### The application must be:

Type

- ❖ Accompanied by an official transcript
- ❖ Accompanied by three letters of recommendation (one from one of your teachers, one from a community member, and one from a past/present employer or a school administrator)
- ❖ Include senior photograph (or current photograph)
- ❖ Received at the above address by May 1, 2026 each year.

Applicants may undergo interviews at each level of competition. The decision will be made by the scholarship committee.



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Jim Becherer, "Chester" was born and raised in Caliente. He was an extremely valued member of our community who tirelessly helped the local students of Piute, as well as the local church. Jim was a huge supporter of all locals who participated in the reading program for many years. He was always smiling his contagious smile. He passed away on October 25, 2023. Jim was an irreplaceable member of our community who will be greatly missed.

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The application must be:

- HandWritten or Word Processed**
- ❖ Accompanied by an official transcript
- ❖ Accompanied by three letters of recommendation (one from one of your teachers, one from a community member, and one from a past/present employer or a school administrator)
- ❖ Include senior photograph (or current photograph)
- ❖ Received at the above address by May 1, 2026.

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# Caliente Educational Foundation Scholarship Application

Applicant's

name: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone#: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

School Graduating 8<sup>th</sup> Grade: \_\_\_\_\_ Year:  
\_\_\_\_\_

High school GPA (40 pts): \_\_\_\_\_

\*attach school/college/University transcript

School/ College/ University you plan to attend:-

\_\_\_\_\_ Career Goal:  
\_\_\_\_\_

Scholarship applying for (check all that apply)

- General CEF Scholarship
- Adam Zanutto Memorial Scholarship
- Christine Beard Memorial Scholarship
- Chip Ward Memorial Scholarship
- Kenneth M. McElroy Memorial Athletic Scholarship
- Jim Becherer "Chester" Memorial Scholarship

List your school Activities, Awards and/or Offices (10 pts):

List your community/extra-curricular activities, awards and/or offices (10 pts):

Discuss your work experience (5pts):

Explain your need for this scholarship (5 pts):

In a paragraph of 150 words or less, explain why awarding you this scholarship would be a wise investment (may use a separate page if needed) (15pts):

Remember to include your three Letters of Recommendation (15pts)

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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