

Beca - Maestro/a del Futuro - Scholarship

For District Para Educators and Classified Staff Currently Employed

\$1,500

Diversifying our workforce is a top priority in Walla Walla Public Schools. Through recruitment, retention and "growing our own" strategies, we actively seek out candidates to be part of a diverse staff that represent the demographics, as well as serve, our students and families. Such efforts are aggressive, on-going and clearly articulated in our Equity Commitments.

Walla Walla Public Schools will support classified employees who are seeking to pursue a career path as a bilingual teacher in our district. Through grant funding, Walla Walla Public Schools is offering five (5) \$1,500 scholarships (renewable one time) to current bilingual classified staff pursuing their teacher certification.

The application is attached and may be accessed here - [Scholarship Application](#). Please e-mail your completed application to Dr. Mindy Meyer (mmeyer@wwps.org), Director of Human Resources, no later than Friday, February 23, 2024. All applications will be acknowledged and recipients will be notified by Friday, March 8, 2024, if awarded a scholarship.

Minimum requirements:

- Currently employed by Walla Walla Public Schools
- Bilingual (Spanish/English)
- Be enrolled or plan to enroll in a teacher preparation program during the 2023-2024 school year
- Committed to teach for Walla Walla Public Schools once certification is completed
- Submit responses to the application questions

Name

Current job assignment

Phone

Email

College/Program

Grade Level or Subject Area in which you plan to major

Language/s in which you are fluent

Please respond to the following. Limit your responses to no more than 250 words per question.

1. Describe a person who instilled a desire in you to become a teacher. What did this person say or do that inspired you to want to go into teaching or to work with students?

2. What would you do to inspire your students and serve as a positive role model?

3. What do you anticipate as potential challenges to certification and what support(s) might you need to overcome these challenges?

4. Describe your experiences working with children. What did you learn from these experiences?