

Beca - Maestro/a del Futuro - Scholarship

For high school seniors preparing to become bilingual teachers

\$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 high school seniors 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 high school seniors, who are bilingual, and who are 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:

- A 2024 graduating senior from a Walla Walla Public School high school
- Minimum high school GPA of 2.5
- Have earned the Seal of Biliteracy
- Will enroll full-time at a two or four-year college or university in the fall
- Willing to return to Walla Walla Public Schools as a bilingual teacher

Name

Current School/Program

Phone

Email

College/Program you plan to attend

Grade Level or Subject Area in which you plan to major

Language/s in which you are fluent

Please respond to the following prompts. 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 that person do or said that inspired you to want to go into teaching or to work with students?

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

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

4. Describe some of your experiences working with children and what you learned from these experiences.