

# Colorado Association for Bilingual Education

## 2020 CO-CABE Graduate Award

### DESCRIPTION

**\$1,500 or \$2,500** scholarship for a Colorado graduate student or teacher who is working towards an advanced degree and/or endorsement in Bilingual Education or English as a Second Language Instruction.

### ELIGIBILITY

- Applicants must be accepted at an institution of higher education, currently enrolled and in the year that the scholarship is awarded, and working towards a degree or certification/endorsement with a focus on Bilingual Education or English as a Second Language instruction.
- Applicants receiving full scholarships or grants from other sources are not eligible for this scholarship.
- Applicants must submit all of the required application materials prior to the application deadline in order to be considered.
- Applicants must be Bilingual. Applicants who receive the Seal of Biliteracy from their district will be given competitive priority. Finalists will be required to provide proof of bilingualism.

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### APPLICATION DEADLINE

The deadline for scholarship applications is **4 pm, March 15**. Scholarships may or may not be awarded based on the availability of funds and at CO-CABE's discretion.

**Please submit completed scholarship applications electronically to:**

**[Peter.Vigil@cocabe.org](mailto:Peter.Vigil@cocabe.org)**



## **CO-CABE Graduate Application Instructions**

The scholarship application consists of four parts. You must submit all of them for your application to be complete.

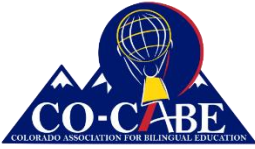
- **Part I:** Information Sheet consisting of 8 questions.
- **Part II:** List of community service, awards, and recognitions that you have received.
  - The committee is especially interested in your involvement with culturally and linguistically diverse communities.
- **Part III:** Personal essay.
  - This essay should be typed, double spaced, 12 pt. font, with one- inch margins on all four sides.
  - Read the essay instructions carefully and be sure to respond directly to the questions posed.
  - This essay is a critical piece of your application and is considered heavily by the Scholarship Committee.
- **Part IV:** Two signed letters of recommendation.
  - At least one letter of recommendation must be from an educator (teacher, professor, counselor, school administrator, etc., who knows you personally).
  - Letters must be signed, scanned, and sent electronically.

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# CO-CABE Graduate Award Application

## Part I

### Applicant Information

1. Applicant Name		
2. Mailing Address		
3. Parent/Guardian (if age 17 or younger)		
4. Phone		
5. E-Mail Address		
6. Have you already been accepted to a graduate program?	If Yes, submit letter of acceptance or proof of enrollment.	
	If No, submit letter of acceptance when you receive it.	
7. Are you Bilingual/Multilingual?	If Yes, in what languages?	
	Yes or No	
8. Seal of Biliteracy?	Yes or No	

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## **CO-CABE Graduate Application**

### **Part II**

### **List of Activities & Awards**

**For Part II** submit a separate sheet that lists community service, work experience, awards, and recognitions that you have received. The committee is especially interested in your involvement with culturally and linguistically diverse communities. Please provide a list, not a narrative, and be sure to include your name.

### **Part III**

### **Personal Essay**

**Part III** consists of a five page (maximum) personal essay. This essay is a critical piece of your application and is considered heavily by the Scholarship Committee. Follow these instructions carefully and completely.

- This essay should be typed, double spaced, 12 pt. font, with one-inch margins on all four sides.
- Please include a cover sheet that includes your name and a title for your essay. The cover sheet is not counted toward the five page limit for your essay.
- There are four questions that you must respond to in your essay:
  - 1) How did you become bilingual? For this question, provide a language autobiography describing how you acquired your languages.
  - 2) Why do you believe Bilingual & Bicultural Education are important?
  - 3) What influences—including people and/or events—have led you to seek this degree?
  - 4) What do you plan to do with your degree?

### **Part IV**

### **Letters of Recommendation**

You must submit two signed letters of recommendation.

- At least one letter of recommendation must be from an educator (teacher, professor, counselor, school administrator, etc. who knows you personally).
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### **Finalist Interview**

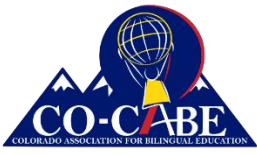
Applicants who are Finalists for the CO-CABE Graduate Award will be contacted for a personal interview with the members of the CO-CABE Scholarship Committee. Finalists will be expected to demonstrate their bilingualism during the interview.

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## **CO-CABE Graduate Scholarship Information**

Please Read Carefully

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