



# RANCHO LA QUINTA EDUCATION FUND

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### **November**

Scholarship eligibility and application reviewed annually; changes made as needed.

### **December**

FASFA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) open for enrollment for students planning to attend college between July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2025.

### **January 1- April 28**

Scholarship applications open. Link to access application live. Application can be found at <https://www.desertscholarship.org/rlq> , or click the Apply Now button on the top menu and select Rancho La Quinta Education Fund.

### **April 29- May 3**

Desert Scholarship Foundation (DSF) reviews all applications for completion and requests any required information not provided by the applicant. DSF confirms hire date is correct, confirms eligibility.

### **May 6- 10**

DSF provides applicant list to RLQ Education Fund Committee Members to review and approve following criteria guidelines.

### **May 17, no later**

Confirmation sent to each applicant, application accepted or denied based on eligibility and application completion. Applicants whom we plan to extend a scholarship will receive additional instruction on how to accept the scholarship and terms. Award amounts provided to students in August.

### **May 17- June 23**

DSF's Scholarship Review Committee reviews and scores applications.

### **June 30**

Deadline for recipients to complete scholarship acceptance. DSF begins to determine award amounts based on financial need, cost of attendance and application review and score.

### **July 15-19**

DSF reviews recommendations with RLQ Education Fund Committee. DSF Board of Directors review award recommendations, suggest changes as needed, finalize award details.

### **August 1**

Scholarship funds sent to schools in the name of the student. Award recipients receive notification of award amount, and that funds have been sent to school for use. If any changes made, final report of awards gifted sent to Scholarship Committee.

