Purpose

Chando's Scholarship Award recognizes a high school graduate who has persevered through hardships and has an individual plan for the future. This award will only go to a recipient who has a strong work ethic and is enrolled in a post-secondary program to further their education or career pathway. If awarded, proof of enrollment will be required prior to scholarship disbursement.

Chando is a loving father, husband and former South Lindhurst student. Through his life experiences, he envisioned a goal of owning his own taco business and tortilla factory. He developed a plan and worked hard to execute his plan despite personal hardships along the way. He persevered and now has several restaurants "Chandos Tacos" which have received many local awards for Best Food. Chando has not forgotten his roots and wants to give back to the community by helping to guide others towards future success.

The scholarship has two key objectives. First, it helps encourage students to overcome their hardships, get back on track to earn a high school diploma and further their education. Second, the award recognizes those students who are often overlooked for their accomplishments, but they too have a plan for the future. This special recognition serves as a powerful example to all students, that one can achieve their goals through hard work, resilience and perseverance.

The submission deadline for Chando's Scholarship is due May 13, 2016. The winner will be presented the Chando Scholarship at graduation and a \$1,000 check upon proof of enrollment in a post-secondary program to further their education or career pathway.

Instructions

- 1. Complete Application
- 2. Type an essay of no less than 250 words that address and fully explain and highlight the following:
 - a. Personal Story
 - b. Future Goals
 - c. Why you are deserving
- Obtain school official and parent/guardian signatures
- 4. Complete an interview with a panel of judges.

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