

The Foundation for Education offers scholarships to students in alternative education/continuation schools and students with special needs. The Foundation for Education hopes to increase college access and success for some of Imperial County's most vulnerable students.

## • Meet some of our 2021 Scholarship Recipients •



"The Foundation for Education Scholarship was important to me for 2 reasons. The first reason being it helped me openly write about my learning disability without being ashamed. This helped me mature as an adult. The other reason is the scholarship helped me financially with registering into IVC. My goals are to continue going to IVC and getting a certificate in retail management."

**Kaitlyn Guillen**  
2021 Brawley High School Graduate

"I would like to thank the Foundation of Education for providing me with such an amazing opportunity. Receiving this scholarship inspired me to work hard for my career because I now know there is support to help me along the way. I realize I am not alone in my efforts to pursue a higher education. I am sincerely grateful for your support and I cannot thank you enough."



**Christopher Paez**  
2021 Valley Academy Graduate



"This scholarship was very helpful to me and my family because we do the best we can to support each other. I worked really hard this past year to make this dream of mine to go to college come true. I enrolled at IVC and was able to pay for my books to get me started. ICOE gave me a head start to my education at IVC, thank you for that. I am grateful!"

**Cynthia Villalobos**  
2021 Imperial Pathways Charter School Graduate

"I would like to thank the Foundation of Education for the scholarship I was awarded. Receiving this scholarship allowed all of the hard work I put into school to pay off by giving me the opportunity to attend my dream school. Looking into the future, some of my goals are to attend medical school, become a pediatric surgeon, and help as many people as I can along the way. The Foundation of Education has given me the support that I needed in order to accomplish the first step and I will forever be thankful for it."



**Mariana Ledesma**  
2021 Calexico High School Graduate

The 2021-2022 scholarship application has launched. This spring, the Foundation for Education will award scholarships to Imperial County students who will attend a career technical school, community college, or university in Fall 2022. Additionally, the Foundation for Education will sponsor a student for the 2022 Academic Connections Program, a 4-week, online summer course program for students enrolled in 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. For more information, please visit [foundation.icoe.org/scholarship](https://foundation.icoe.org/scholarship).