

SAN JOSÉ STATE UNIVERSITY CENTER

2013 PETITION FOR MESA GRADUATION/SENIOR PETITION

Parts IV, V, & VI

Dear MESA Graduating Senior,

Congratulations on your advancement to finishing your high school career and moving onto college. We are so proud of you! MESA would like to reward you for all your hard work and dedication throughout your time as a student, along with being an active MESA student.

This petition form will be used to determine if you are eligible for MESA Graduation. You must meet the MESA Graduation Requirements to be able to attend the Annual Recognition & Awards Ceremony in May.

MESA GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS:Certificate of Graduation

4 years of College Preparatory Mathematics
4 years of College Preparatory English
Chemistry or Physics
SAT I or ACT
MESA Schools Program Participation
Minimum Cumulative GPA = 2.5 or above

Outstanding Achievement Certificate of Graduation

4 years of College Preparatory Mathematics
4 years of College Preparatory English
Chemistry **AND** Physics
SAT I + 2 or ACT 2 + SAT II
MESA Schools Program Leadership Participation
Minimum Cumulative GPA = 3.3 or above

Please follow the directions below:

1. Complete this form (Part IV, V, & VI) by printing legibly with **black** ink or type. Remember Parts I, II & III are to be completed online through the link provided in your email (Google docs).
2. Attach the following information to the petition:
 - a. OFFICIAL Transcripts (including final grades for 1st semester of this academic year)
 - b. Essay (essay will be used to determine scholarships to be awarded at the recognition event)
 - c. MESA Advisor Signature for “Outstanding Achievement” (see Part IV, V, & VI)
3. Return the completed form along with all pages and attachments to your advisor.
All forms are due to your MESA advisor **March 13, 2013** or to the MESA office by **March 15, 2013 by 3:00 p.m.**
4. Late petitions will NOT be accepted. No exceptions.
5. Be in attendance at the Annual Senior Graduation and Awards Ceremony

Annual Senior Graduation and Awards Ceremony

A ceremony honoring Graduating Seniors and MESA Award Recipients

Thursday May 9th, 2013

Location - TBD

(Semi-formal)

If you have any questions regarding MESA Graduation or how to complete this form, please contact Susan Arias at (408) 924-5034 or susan.arias@sjsu.edu

We look forward to celebrating your accomplishments at the MESA graduation event!

Sincerely,

Susan Arias

PART IV: ESSAY

ESSAY TOPIC (essay will be used to determine scholarships to be awarded at MESA Graduation)

On a separate sheet type in essay format how **the MESA Schools Program has contributed to your personal academic achievement, career and educational goals, and leadership development** (*minimum of 300 words*).

PART V: Certification

I, _____, have completed this form on my own truthfully and accurately to the best of my ability.
(Student Name)

 Student Signature

 Date

If you are a student who is of Outstanding Certificate Achievement, have your MESA advisor sign below:

I, _____, certify that the above student, _____, has demonstrated leadership within their MESA chapter and within their academic achievements.
(Advisor Name) (Student Name)

 Advisor Signature

 Date

SENIOR RECOGNITION EVENT ATTENDANCE (*formal invitations will be mailed home*)

Yes, I will attend the Senior Recognition Event on May 9, 2013. (Exact Location to be announced)*

If student is selected to graduate a formal invitation will be mailed to home address.

(RSVP will be required and graduate will be allowed parent/guardian maximum **2** guests)

*All Graduating Seniors must attend event to receive incentives/awards.

I am unable to attend the Senior Recognition Event/ Reason: _____

PART VI : CHECK LIST

Before you turn in your official MESA Senior Petition, please check off that the following items are completed and attached :

Part I : Student Information (ONLINE)

- Student Information (address, etc..)
- MESA Participation Information.

Part II : Transcript and Test Scores (ONLINE)

- Transcript Attached
- Test Scores filled in

Part III : University/College (ONLINE)

- Information completed

Part IV : Essay

- Essay Attached

Part V : Certification

- Student Signature
- Advisor Signature
- Student Recognition attendance filled out

Congratulations! Please submit forms to your MESA advisor.

FOR OFFICE USE ONLYNot Eligible to Graduate:

- Missed Deadline Date Received: _____
- Transcripts Missing
- Essay Missing
- Low Cumulative GPA
- Incomplete Form

Eligible to Graduate []Award Type:

- Certificate of Graduation
- Outstanding Achievement
- _____ Years of Participation
- Scholarship Recipient / Amount: _____