

Aurelio “Larry” Jazo Migrant Scholarship

Purpose: To serve as a memorial to Aurelio “Larry” Jazo, a long time migrant educator, by offering an annual award in the amount of \$1,000 for post-secondary scholarship assistance to a migrant farmworker student who has a recent migration to Illinois.

Eligibility: Candidates will be screened by a selection committee on the basis of the following criteria:

- Recent history of migration to Illinois for agricultural employment
- Scholastic achievement
- Financial need

Application Process: A completed application form must be postmarked by **May 15th**, accompanied by:

- **TWO (2) REFERENCE LETTERS** – Please have a school representative (such as a counselor, teacher, coach, or other) write a letter addressing your educational commitment, grades, etc., and supporting the need for financial assistance. A reference letter may not be written by you, anyone under 21 years of age, or anyone related to you or serving as a legal guardian.
- **ESSAY** – Larry Jazo was a man who was always looking for ways to help others. Write an essay (250–300 words) addressing all points below:
 - Describe your experience as a migrant farmworker.
 - State your educational goals and why you are deserving of this scholarship.
 - Describe a situation or obstacle you have faced in your life that was an important lesson in your development. How did you deal with it and what did you learn from the experience that could help someone else facing similar circumstances?

Note: If the applicant is a prior recipient, the essay should address how the past scholarship has enhanced his/her education.

- **OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT** – Attach a copy of your current high school or college transcript.
- **PROOF OF ACCEPTANCE** – If you are not already enrolled in college, attach proof of acceptance.
- **MIGRANT EDUCATION PROGRAM CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY (COE)** – Attach a copy of your current or most recent COE.

Submit completed application packet to:

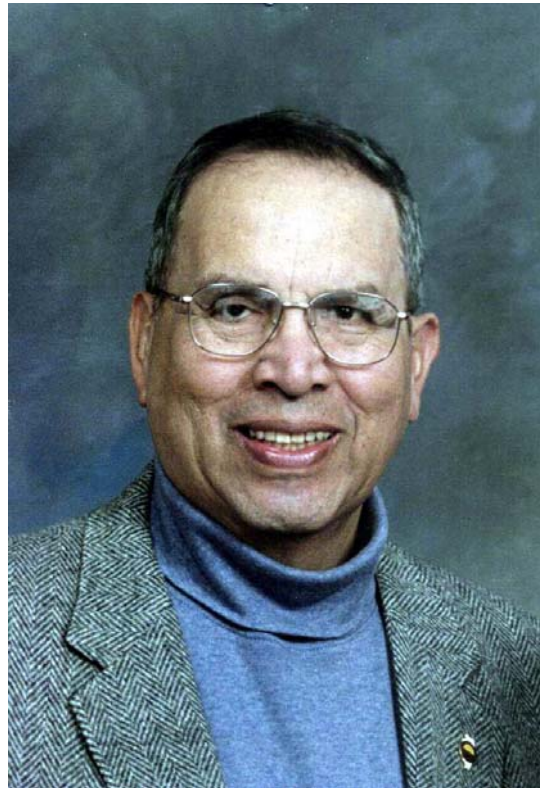
Aurelio “Larry” Jazo Migrant Scholarship
Geneseo Migrant Center
3 Mt. Morris-Leicester Road
Leicester, NY 14481

DEADLINE: POSTMARKED BY MAY 15th

**ALL segments of this application must be completed.
Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

Aurelio “Larry” Jazo

1935-2002



Aurelio “Larry” Jazo was a devoted and loving husband, father, grandfather, educator, and advocate. As an educator, he dedicated over thirty years to the education of migrant farmworker children. In 1966 he began his affiliation with migrant education, becoming the director of the Migrant Education Program in Princeville, Illinois, which received state and national recognition for program excellence.

Later in Mr. Jazo’s career he joined the Compensatory Education Section at the Illinois State Board of Education to coordinate programs for children of migratory farmworkers. As the Illinois State Director and member of the National Association of State Directors of Migrant Education, he served as secretary and as president. He was chairman of the National Student Record Transfer System Committee for six years. He served as an advisory member of the task force for the formation of the United States Department of Education and was invited to the White House for its inauguration. He also served as a consultant for a series on migrant education for the Mr. Rogers’ Neighborhood television productions. Throughout his career he served as a national spokesperson for migrant children at state and federal funding hearings. After his retirement from the Illinois State Board of Education in 1991, Mr. Jazo served as a private consultant for various state and national education organizations.

JAZO MIGRANT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

This form must be **submitted by May 15th** accompanied by at least two reference letters, an official school transcript, a personal essay of 250-300 words, documentation of financial need, and proof of acceptance/enrollment in college. Failure to submit these documents or to complete all portions of this form will result in disqualification. This application form may be photocopied. Neatly print or type.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

_____ (____)
Last Name First Name Middle Initial Home Phone

_____ (____)
E-mail Address Cell Phone

_____ City State Zip
Mailing Address

Home Address (if different from mailing address)

_____ Parent/guardian occupation(s)
Name of parent(s) or legal guardian

_____ Personal goal/career choice
Applicant's date of birth: Place of birth
month/day/year

Counting yourself, number of adults and children in your family living at home _____

EDUCATIONAL INFORMATION

_____ (____)
Name of school presently attending Telephone

_____ Anticipated date of graduation
School address

_____ (____)
Name of post-secondary program to which you have been accepted Telephone
(if different from school listed above)

NOTE: If you are not already enrolled in college, you will need to attach proof of acceptance for this school

_____ Anticipated date of graduation
School address

MIGRANT STATUS

_____ Number of years (or months) working in
Date (month and year) of most recent move for agricultural agriculture by applicant or applicant's family
employment by applicant or applicant's family

_____ Last type of agricultural work done

_____ Names of towns and states in which the family or applicant worked in agriculture in the last twelve months

_____ Name and address of school(s) attended in those states, if any

FAMILY INCOME: In which bracket does your family income fall?

_____ 0-\$10,000 _____ \$10,001 – \$15,000 _____ \$15,001 – \$20,000 _____ \$20,001 – \$25,000
_____ \$25,001 – \$30,000 _____ \$30,001 – \$35,000 _____ \$35,001 +

APPLICANT AGREES to the use of his/her name, photographs, personal essay, and information contained in this application for educational, advertising, and promotional purposes for the Aurelio “Larry” Jazo Migrant Scholarship and migrant education programs without further compensation or notification. The applicant further agrees to give permission to the post-secondary institution listed above to release his/her educational and financial records to a representative of the Aurelio “Larry” Jazo Migrant Scholarship screening committee.

The information on this form and contained in the application package is true and correct to the best of my knowledge as evidenced by these signatures. (Parent signature required if applicant is under 18)

Applicant’s Signature

Date

Parent’s/Guardian’s Signature

Date

Parent’s/Guardian’s Name (printed)

Application Checklist

- Essay Official transcript Reference letter
- Proof of enrollment/acceptance to college Completed application form
- Migrant Education Certificate of Eligibility (COE)

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