

Scholarship Recommendation Form

Instructions: Thank you for being a recommender for the PCAFPD scholarship. Recommendations are used as part of the selection process. Please type your information below and provide a digital copy to the applicant for submission. Hand written responses will not be accepted.

Recommender Information

Name: Emerson M. Andres

Relationship to applicant: Student/Instructor

Organization/School: St. John's Institute, Inc.

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Applicant Information: Use additional pages as needed

Name: Ara Samantha M. Balboa

Current School: St. John's institute, Inc.

Recommendation

PCAFPD scholars are chosen on the basis of their financial need, academic performance, and commitment to community service and leadership. As the applicant's reference, please describe the applicant's demonstrated leadership skills, accomplishments, and impacts on your community and any other relevant information you feel the committee should know about the applicant.

To the PCAFPD Scholarship Selection Committee,

It is with great enthusiasm that I recommend Ara Samantha M. Balboa for the PCAFPD scholarship. In my dual role as her Instructor and Guidance Counselor, I have observed Ara's growth not only as a scholar but as a dedicated and indispensable member of our school community.

Ara's academic record is impeccable. A consistent Highest Honors student and a pioneer in our first STEM batch, she demonstrates a powerful combination of intellectual curiosity and relentless determination. Her quiet focus in class is deceptive; behind it lies a sharp, proactive mind that is always steps ahead. The integrity she brings to her work is absolute, making her a role model for her peers.

Her leadership extends far beyond the classroom. As the leader of her research group, she guided her team to an extraordinary victory, personally clinching the Best Presenter and Innovative awards, leading to their title as Researchers of the Year. This same dependable spirit defines her commitment to service. Ara is always among the first to volunteer for school events, whether it's a science fair, a community outreach program, or a campus clean-up drive. She has become a

convenient and reliable person for organizers—the one we know we can count on to not only show up but to take initiative, manage tasks efficiently, and inspire others through her quiet, capable actions.

What makes this commitment to community truly remarkable is the context of her personal life. With her parents working far from home, Ara carries significant personal responsibilities with immense maturity. Yet, she never uses her independence as an excuse to step back. Instead, it seems to fuel her desire to contribute and connect, always managing to support her community while excelling academically, all with a resilient and positive demeanor.

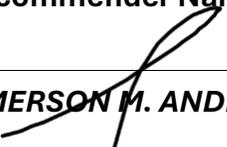
Ara Samantha M. Balboa is the complete package: a brilliant student, a born leader, and a compassionate volunteer. She embodies the very qualities of academic excellence, leadership, and community commitment that the PCAFPD scholarship seeks to reward. I am confident she will utilize this opportunity to achieve great things and give back even more.

I recommend her to you without the slightest hesitation.

Respectfully yours,

Emerson M. Andres

Recommender Name & Signature:



EMERSON M. ANDRES, Rpm

Date: June 06, 2025