GUIDELINES

PURPOSE: The Leal-Hinojosa Scholarship is designed to encourage students to continue their education after high school. The scholarship provides support for tuition, housing, fees and book expenses at the university/college/trade school of the recipient's choice. Two $1,250 scholarships will be awarded annually to graduating seniors at Booker T. Washington High School for the Performing and Visual Arts.

ABOUT THE SCHOLARSHIP: The Leal-Hinojosa Scholarship Fund was established in 1989 to honor the founder’s parents, Raul and Sarita Leal Hinojosa of San Benito, Texas. While they struggled to make education for their sons a reality, they were strong believers that education is a gift which enriches lives and is of value always. The Leal-Hinojosa Scholarships are awarded annually at San Benito High School, Washington Irving High School in Manhattan, New York and now at Booker T. Washington High School in Dallas.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA: The Leal-Hinojosa Foundation Scholarship will be awarded to an outstanding and deserving Arts Magnet graduating senior who has been accepted into a college or university. Because the scholarship seeks those students for whom the scholarship will make “the” difference candidates will be considered regardless of GPA or financial circumstance. Applicants must submit a complete application (an incomplete application will not be considered), and provide three letters of recommendation chosen from cluster teachers, academic teachers, counselors or other significant adults. In addition candidates will submit a personal statement about their concept of education and how it relates to their life, family, career and personal goals.

SELECTION AND AWARD PROCESS:

- The Leal-Hinojosa Foundation with representation from the Student Enrichment Committee of The Advisory Board will select recipients.
- Two scholarships will be awarded at Booker T. Washington HSPVA each school year.
- The recipients will be required to send a thank you note and statement of how funds are to be used to both The Advisory Board and the Leal-Hinojosa Foundation. Contact information will be provided.