



NATIONAL HISPANIC INSTITUTE

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Dear Potential Sponsor:

We are contacting you to ask for your support in investing in tomorrow's leaders by sponsoring student fees for the 2024 Great Debate, a competitive leadership training program that develops communication, argumentation, networking, and persuasive writing skills among our community's youth. The student is responsible for completing the **\$795 USD** tuition and a \$25 application fee. Annually, students marshal their tuition with contributions from their family, school supporters, local civic organizations or community investors like you. Sponsorships may be full or partial and can be made online at www.nationalhispanicinstitute.org/donate or by check/money order to **(NHI, PO Box 220, Maxwell, TX 78656, memo: student's name)** or by phone at (512) 357-6137.

Students learn how to communicate effectively, think and analyze on their feet, and organize and express their thoughts through competitive learning environments. Great Debate participants train in teams and compete with peers at NHI-sponsored summer regional, statewide, and national college residential debate tournaments. Students gain early college readiness experiences by staying in the dorms and meeting college representatives.

The National Hispanic Institute is a private, non-profit 501(c)3 corporation founded in 1979 in Austin, Texas, and is headquartered in Maxwell, 35 miles south of Austin. All students invited to participate are college bound high school freshmen with an 85 or 3.0 grade point average or higher. The tuition underwrites the cost of recruitment, communications, leadership training, student supplies, documents, equipment, student support services, staff specialists, and special events. After completing the Great Debate, NHI provides student follow-up services for college admissions, financial aid consultation, and career guidance. NHI members gain early access to our College Register, a consortium of college admissions partners in higher education.

Please consider making a financial contribution to support this student's personal and professional growth as a leader in your community. Please call the National Hispanic Institute at **(512) 357-6137** for more information. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Ernesto Nieto
President and Founder