

CEMANAHUAC / PSMLA SCHOLARSHIP

Description

PSMLA is pleased to offer once again a scholarship for two weeks of intensive study at the Cemanahuac Educational Community in Cuernavaca, Mexico. See www.cemanahuac.com for details. The awardee may attend for any two weeks that the program is offered in the summer of the year the scholarship is awarded. The scholarship, worth approximately \$1100.00, includes registration, tuition for two weeks, housing (double occupancy), with all meals, and one field trip, in addition to the regular Spanish language study program. The following are expenses not covered in the scholarship: air transportation to Mexico City, transfer to Cuernavaca, textbooks, and personal expenses. PSMLA will reimburse up to \$400.00 for transportation costs once the session is completed.

The PSMLA Awards Committee with the approval of the Executive Council will select the winner of the Cemanahuac Scholarship.

Eligibility

Applicant must:

- Be a member in good standing of PSMLA for at least 2 years prior to applying.
- Be a full-time teacher in a public or private school at the k-12 level during the current school year.
- Carry a teaching load of at least 50% Spanish classes.
- Provide a letter of recommendation from his/her school administrator and/or department chairperson on why the applicant deserves this scholarship.
- Submit a draft of a lesson plan for future publication in the PLF. This lesson must follow a template provided by PSMLA and include materials specific to the experience in Mexico.
- The recipient must attend the next PSMLA conference to act as an advocate for the program. He/she will be introduced at the awards' luncheon and be available to answer questions afterwards.
- He/she will actively seek prospective applicants for the next scholarship.
- The recipient should prepare a short (3-5 minute) digital presentation about the Cemanahuac program for the PSMLA webpage.
- The draft lesson plan and digital presentation should be submitted to PSMLA publications by the end of September for the recipient to receive the additional funding from PSMLA at the fall conference.

The selection committee will consider:

- Need for this immersion experience in Cuernavaca, Mexico.
- How the experience will enhance the applicant's teaching.
- Applicant's willingness to share the experience by providing a workshop or a session at the annual PSMLA conference.
- Applicant's commitment and involvement in the teaching of Spanish.

If you have any questions, please e-mail the awards chairperson at awards@psmla.org

Please note: Present officers and members of PSMLA Executive Council are eligible only if there are no other applicants by the deadline.

CEMANAHUAC / PSMLA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

(Please print or type)

Name _____

E-mail: _____

Home Address _____

Home Phone _____ School Phone _____

School Name _____

School Address _____

Years teaching: _____ Years teaching Spanish _____

Please e-mail the following with your application:

- **Cover Letter:** Please submit a cover letter with Curriculum Vitae in which you list your educational degrees, professional activities and your membership in professional organizations.
- **Immersion Experience:** List any past experience in a Spanish-speaking country or in the United States. List the dates of study, personal and school-related travel, and work in Spanish-speaking countries.
- **Statement:** Attach a 150-word statement, in Spanish, in which you state how this experience would enhance your teaching and what you expect to gain from studying in Cuernavaca, Mexico.
- **Recommendation:** Included with your application a letter of recommendation from your school administrator and/or department chairperson explaining why you deserve this scholarship. Please ask him/her to send the letter of recommendation to the PSMLA awards committee chairperson at awards@psmla.org.
- Also please include a **scanned copy of your teaching schedule** for the current school year.

Submit the application form and supporting materials digitally to awards@psmla.org
by **11:59pm on March 1st.**