



The mission of Roaring Fork PreCollegiate is to identify promising first-generation students and motivate them to pursue higher education. Through personal mentoring we provide access to information and resources and equip students with relevant life skills to enable them to successfully complete high school and transition into the post-secondary program of their choice.

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Student Advisory Committee



Alumni during the Student Advisory Committee

We have launched our Student Advisory Committee! The committee is led by two of our program Alumni, Estefania Vigil and Stephanie Nevarez. The purpose of our Student Advisory Committee is to amplify our student voice in effort to best serve our current students. This advisory committee is also serving as a network for our alumni to make connections across all ages. In our first two meetings we have had alumni from East to West coast log in to share their reflections and feedback of the program. We connect with alumni from the class of 2007 all the way to our most current class of 2020 graduates. Our two lead Alumni, Estefania and Stephanie are also serving on the Roaring Fork PreCollegiate Advisory Board of Directors and have taken on the roles of being liaisons between the two groups.



Ximena Garcia-Lopez, Senior at Basalt High School

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Ximena Garcia-Lopez, senior at Basalt High School is a semi-finalist for the National Jack Kent Cooke Scholarship! The Cooke College Scholarship Program is an undergraduate scholarship program available to high-achieving high school seniors with financial need who seek to attend and graduate from the nation's best four-year colleges and universities. Each award is intended to cover a significant share of the student's educational experience including tuition, living expenses,

books and required fees. Awards vary by individual, based on the cost of tuition as well as other grants or scholarships they may receive. This highly competitive scholarship includes:

- Up to \$40,000 per year to attend a four-year accredited undergraduate school.
- Ability to pursue any area of study.
- Personal advising about selecting a college and navigating financial aid.
- Multifaceted advising about how to transition to college and maximize the student experience.

We are so proud of Ximena and wish her the best for the final round!

Vanessa Leon-Gamez

Vanessa Leon-Gamez, senior at Roaring Fork High School is a finalist for the Greenhouse scholarship! She has been working so hard and is very deserving of this scholarship! The Greenhouse Scholars Program is a leadership development and mentorship program for under-resourced, high-achieving students. The program supports the intellectual, academic, professional, and financial needs of students while they are in college. We are so proud of Vanessa's accomplishment!



Vanessa Leon-Gamez, senior at Roaring Fork High School

Ashley Parras

Ashley Parras, Roaring Fork High School senior, has been awarded the Horatio Alger Scholarship at the State Level! This competitive scholarship recognizes students that have faced and overcome great obstacles in their lives. While scholarships seek to recognize academics, leadership, and financial aid, Horatio Alger also seeks students that have

demonstrated determination, integrity, and perseverance. Congratulations Ashley, we are so proud of her!



Ashley Parras, senior at Roaring Fork High School

Luisa Quiñones Marrufo

Luisa Quiñones Marrufo, a senior at Glenwood Springs High School, was selected as a finalist for the QuestBridge Scholarship. Questbridge is a national college scholarship application process that helps outstanding high school seniors with financial need gain admission and support at the nation's most selective colleges. If she is accepted to a Questbridge partner school she will be designated as a Questbridge Scholar and will receive additional student academic support, networking, and other enrichment opportunities. Luisa has worked so tirelessly for her last four years of high school and these recognitions are very well deserved. We are so proud of Luisa!

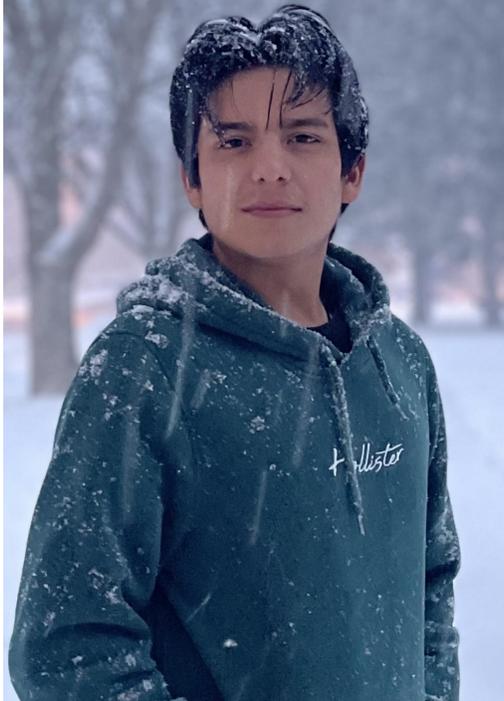


Luisa Quiñones Marrufo, senior at Glenwood Springs High School

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Erubiel Huerta and Jacqueline Vargas Enriquez

Erubiel Huerta and Jackie Vargas, both seniors at Glenwood Springs High School, were semi-finalists for the Sullivan Leadership Award. Both had to submit a detailed scholarship application and were selected to attend the Sullivan Leaders Day, a full day workshop that included information about attending Seattle University and had to participate in a timed essay writing activity on a certain topic. Although they were not selected to move on to the final round, becoming a semi-finalist is quite an honor. Congrats Erubiel and Jackie on this accomplishment!



Erubiel Huerta, senior at Glenwood Springs High School



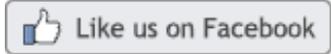
Jackie Vargas Enriquez, senior at Glenwood Springs High School

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