

## 2018 Conexiones Annual Awards Application Instructions and Guidelines

Conexiones hosts their Annual Awards Convocation to recognize Hispanic/Latino graduates from the Howard County Public School System (HCPSS).

### Who is Eligible?

Hispanic/Latino seniors in Howard County Public High Schools who will be graduating in May 2018 with a minimum cumulative weighted GPA of 3.5

For the purpose of this application, "Hispanic/Latino" is defined as a student who was, or whose parent/grandparent was, born in one of the following countries: *Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Puerto Rico, Spain, Uruguay, and Venezuela.*

### Requirements:

1. Completed application with essay (online only)
2. Copy of a senior year 1st quarter or 2nd quarter report card

### How to apply:

You can apply online at <http://conexioneshc.org/programs.html>

The application deadline is midnight of **Sunday, March 18, 2018.**

### The amounts of the awards are as follow:

- Conexiones Recognition Award - \$200
- Conexiones Excellence Award (1) - \$500
- Feli Solá-Carter Leadership Award (1) - \$750

*Note: While the financial value of the awards is helpful, Conexiones believes that their true value is the opportunity the Annual Awards Convocation offers to recognize the hard work and achievement of our Hispanic/Latino Seniors before their families, and the county's and school system's leadership.*

The Conexiones Recognition Award will be given to any student selected for recognition.

The Conexiones Excellence Award will be given to one student whose application shows overall accomplishments above his/her peers.

The Feli Solá-Carter Leadership Award will be given to one student who reflects exceptional achievements in leadership roles and activities, community service, and academic excellence.

**The Conexiones Awards Ceremony will be held on Monday, April 30, 2018 at 7 p.m. at the Miller Library in Ellicott City. All students who are selected to be recognized are highly encouraged to attend.**

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