

UNITED TEACHERS LOS ANGELES EAST AREA 2026 RUBEN SALAZAR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

The Ruben Salazar Memorial Scholarship is named in honor of the late *Los Angeles Times* journalist and nationally known Chicano activist. Mr. Salazar died in August 1970, while covering the National Chicano Moratorium Against the War in Vietnam and the ensuing riot through the streets of East Los Angeles.

The East Area of United Teachers Los Angeles founded the scholarship in his memory and the first awards were made in the Spring of 1971. The scholarship funds are part of UTLA's East Area's continuing program to help fund young people who desire to continue their education in either a community college or state university.

Scholarships are awarded each Spring to **graduating seniors** who **attend** a **LAUSD High School, Continuation School, or are enrolled** in a **High School Completion Program at a LAUSD Community Adult School**.

Name

Address

City

Zip Code (a must)

School Name

Home/Cell Phone

E-mail Address

1. What are your post high school/higher education goals?

2. What community and extra-curricular activities or organizations are you involved in? Please describe them and your level of involvement.

3. In your email, attach a letter of recommendation from one of your UTLA educators.
4. In your email, attach your 150–200 word written reflection (.doc or .pdf)
5. In your email, attach your .mp4 video submission as outlined in your application guideline.

Please proofread your application prior to submission, save a copy to your computer. Attach a copy along with your entry as attachments in an email. Entry files must be in mp4 format (phone video) for video submissions.

(If additional space is needed, please use reverse side)

Application and your entry are due via email no later than 5:00 PM –Friday, February 27, 2026

EMAIL TO: ebarrientos@utla.net

Subject LINE: Ruben Salazar Scholarship Submission

Eric Barrientos, United Teachers Los Angeles, Ruben Salazar Scholarship Committee

Statement of Authenticity

Please read each statement carefully and check **YES** to confirm.

☐ **YES** — I confirm that the video submission is my original work and reflects my own ideas, experiences, and voice.

☐ **YES** — I understand that while I may have used research sources to learn about Ruben Salazar, the words spoken in my video are my own.

☐ **YES** — I confirm that I did **not** submit an AI-generated script or essay as my final submission. (Spell-check, brainstorming, or outlining tools may be used, but the final content must be my own original language.)

☐ **YES** — I confirm that any artwork, poem, writing, or film included in my video was created by me.

☐ **YES** — I confirm that my video submission is **5 minutes or less** and submitted in the correct format.

Source Acknowledgment (Required)

List **at least one source** you used to learn about Ruben Salazar (example: article, documentary, interview, museum resource).

Source Title & Author/Organization:

Final Confirmation

By signing below, I acknowledge that all information submitted is truthful and reflects my own work. I understand that submissions found to be misrepresented or not authentic may be disqualified.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (if required): _____

Date: _____