

The Hispanic Organization for Progress and Education

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HOPE, also known as, the **Hispanic Organization for Progress and Education**, is a not-for-profit Wyoming organization, which has 501C3 status and is registered with the State of Wyoming.

The HOPE Vision

“Making a positive difference for a brighter future.”

HOPE’s Objectives

- 1 Work for educational success for Hispanics at all levels and to increase graduation rates by active participation with educational institutions.
- 1 Support Hispanic students’ efforts to gain the training and education necessary to pursue and achieve their ambitions by annually providing college and/or higher education scholarships to deserving Hispanic students.
- 1 To annually join the community in recognizing and celebrating the educational achievements of Hispanic youth and host a **HOPE Honors** recognition event
- 1 Instill pride in the Hispanic heritage by increasing awareness of the Hispanic through recognition programs, by coordinating workshops, and promoting community cultural and educational events.

HOPE Honors Program

A Premiere Event

The annual **HOPE Honors Program** is the premiere activity for the Hispanic Organization for Progress and Education. Through this event, the **HOPE** organization, along with the Cheyenne community, proudly recognizes the accomplishments, advancements, and triumphs — small and large — of Hispanic students in Cheyenne. Pre-school through twelfth grade students are selected and recognized as **HOPE Stars**; and recipients of **HOPE scholarships**.

Highlighting **HOPE’s** commitment to excellence in education, the **HOPE “Teacher of the Year”** also is recognized at this time. This truly is a time to celebrate!

★ **HOPE Stars** — are students, who have been nominated by teachers for their individual accomplishments during the school year. Some are honor students. Many are good citizens and have made positive contributions to their schools and community. Others are persevering, in spite of overwhelming odds.

Since its inception the number of students honored each year as **HOPE Stars** grows. Selection as a **HOPE Star** is noteworthy. Academic success is a goal for our Hispanic students.

- ★ **HOPE Scholarship Recipients** — include graduating high school seniors and continuing college students. Scholarship application forms are available from **HOPE** in January of each year. Applications are screened, and applicants participate in a personal interview.
- ★ **HOPE Teacher of the Year** — this annual award recognizes an outstanding teacher, who is the recipient of the **HOPE “Excellence in Education - Teacher of the Year”** award. Teachers nominated for this award are educators, who are making a significant impact in the lives of students and who through extraordinary contributions have encouraged academic excellence among their students.

Meetings and Activities

- ★ **HOPE** business meetings are held monthly.
- ★ **HOPE Organizational Governing Body** HOPE membership activity is directed and guided by its Executive Board. The Executive Board is comprised of the President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Secretary, as well as the chairs of the Membership, Scholarship, and Golf Tournament Committees.
- ★ **HOPE Golf Tournament** Annually, the **HOPE** Organization, in conjunction with numerous community corporate sponsors, hosts a golf tournament. In addition to providing golf-enthusiasts from throughout the region with an opportunity to participate in a fun-filled sporting event, the tournament is the primary funding source for the higher education scholarships awarded by **HOPE** to local students.
- t **HOPE Endowed Scholarships at Laramie County Community College**
To ensure that our educational legacy continues, HOPE has endowed two scholarships at Laramie County Community College (LCCC). Contributions to the HOPE Endowed Scholarship may be made to the LCCC Foundation, 1400 East College Drive, Cheyenne, WY 82007.
- t **Memorial Scholarship**
HOPE is pleased to accept & award memorial scholarships from individuals, families, and/or organizations. This provides a lasting legacy for loved ones, while assisting our Hispanic students.

HOPE Membership

- t Individual membership in HOPE is open to any person without regard to color, race, national origin, sex, or religious affiliation, who is interested in promoting progress and educational opportunities for the Hispanic community.
- t In addition, HOPE proudly accepts the associate membership of a company, corporation, or association, who is interested in promoting progress and educational opportunities for the Hispanic community. An associate member designates a staff representative to serve as the voting representative at HOPE meetings, activities, and events. However, all persons from that company, corporation, or association are encouraged to participate in HOPE activities.
- t **Membership Dues:** HOPE members pay annual dues. The dues membership year is the calendar year — January through December. Dues for students are \$10.00, individuals are \$20.00 per year; couples are \$35 with associate members paying \$200.00.



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