

**2021 Ironstone Concours Foundation/
Friends of the California State Fair Scholarship Recipient
Paola Alexandra Corzo**

The Friends of the California State Fair Scholarship Program is a collaborative project of the California State Fair, the California Agricultural Advisory Council, the State Fair Gala Committee, and the Friends of the California State Fair. This year, twenty-three students have been awarded \$46,000 for scholarships for the 2021-22 academic year. These students represent twenty-three California cities.

The Ironstone Concours Foundation/Friends of the California State Fair provides \$5,000 to be awarded to one outstanding candidate. In 2021, we recognize the recipient of the Ironstone Concours Foundation/ Friends of the California State Fair Scholarship Paola Alexandra Corzo.

In Fall 2021, Paola will be a second-year graduate student in the San Francisco State University College of Education. She will be getting a bilingual elementary education credential. Her goal is to be a better educator for the students in the bilingual learning center she opened in the fall of 2018.

Knowing how the support of her AP Spanish teacher gave her strength and courage to meet her educational goals in high school, in 2018, Paola opened a bilingual learning center in Pleasanton. Since her bachelor's degree was not in education, she has returned to school for her teaching credential.



Paola says, "Becoming a teacher brings a feeling of fulfillment and accomplishment. Now I am active member of my community. My job now is to inspire and help grown future minds."