Woodland Hills Class of 2023 Local Scholarship Opportunities

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The Caileigh Lynn McDowell Foundation

The foundation works to transform political, social and economic systems and institutions to create a kinder, more equitable and just society for all through programs and community outreach.

Up to two $5,000.00 Scholarships

DEADLINE: May 1, 2023

caileighsfightsong@gmail.com

The Caileigh Lynn McDowell Foundation Scholarship

STUDENT REQUIREMENTS:

- Has participated in team building and community building through athletics, clubs, volunteer activities, etc.

- Is a person of honesty and integrity. Shows enthusiasm and school spirit in relation to school and classmates.

- Supports other students through friendship, kindness, inclusion and compassion.

- Is courageous in their ability to stand up for beliefs, others and issues.

- Must be a graduating senior attending a 4 year university.

NOMINEE PROCESS:

- The nominee process will be initiated from recommendations received from faculty or administration.

- Self-nominations may also be considered with an accompanying letter of support from faculty or administration.

- Nominees must complete a scholarship application/500 word essay that outlines the candidate's qualities that match the Foundation's scholarship requirements.

- Must be included: student activities, GPA, examples of kindness, school spirit and inclusive behavior. A student resume must be attached.

An independent Selection Committee (non-foundation/non-family members) will review and evaluate all nomination applications for determination of final recipients.

Jerame J. Turner Foundation
“Fighting for the Underdog” Scholarship

Jerame was taken from us in November of 2017. Jerame was a great young man with a bright future. One thing that Jerame always did was stand up and fight for the underdog.

Since Jerame’s passing, our family has carried on his passion by continuing to fight for the underdogs by supporting those young men who have overcome obstacles and continue to fight to achieve success.

Eligibility for JJT Foundation Award

Applicants must be:

-Woodland Hills High School senior male who is a resident of the school district
-Planning to pursue a degree or attend a post-secondary institution
-Actively involved in their community
-Graduating in 2023

Strong Applicants:

Have a vision to impact the community in a positive way

Can demonstrate leadership and community involvement

Be a person who has set personal, educational and community goals

Application Link:

https://form.jotform.com/210686966518166

Vanessa D. Spencer Scholarship sponsored by MAD DADS

Scholarship Description:

The Greater Pittsburgh Area MAD DADS is proud to sponsor our annual scholarship in honor of Vanessa D. Spencer. Mrs. Spencer attended Edinboro University of Pennsylvania where she graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Education and a specialty in Speech and Hearing Therapy in 1976. She later went on to have a career as an educator, serving in multiple roles working with young children as a speech therapist, early childhood teacher, substitute teacher, and the director for multiple child care centers. Mrs. Spencer was also a resident of Wilkinsburg, PA for over 30 years where she was an active member of her community as a volunteer and community leader with organizations such as the Johnston Elementary School Parent Teacher Association (PTA), Camp Fire, Hosanna House, and a founding board member for the Greater Pittsburgh Area MAD DADS.

Scholarship Purpose:

The purpose of this scholarship is to award a deserving young person who best exemplifies Mrs. Spencer’s lifelong commitments to education and community service.

Vanessa D. Spencer Scholarship sponsored by MAD DADS

MAD DADS
The Force Behind The Change

Scholarship Award Amount: $1,000 ($500 per semester)

The scholarship is renewable annually for a maximum award of $4,000, as long as the recipient remains a full-time student with at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA. Priority is given to those who demonstrate financial need.

Scholarship Eligibility:

- Must be a high school senior with an expected graduation in 2023.
- Preference will be given to students who reside in areas served by the Greater Pittsburgh MADS DADS.
- Must have a minimum 2.5 GPA.
- Must be accepted to a college or university and plan to enroll no later than Fall 2023.

Roll your shoulders for a few seconds.

Now, look at your note-making guide. Did you mark your eligibility and the deadline?

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Chick-fil-A

DUNKIN' DONUTS

Woodland Hills Cafe Staff Award

Who is eligible?

Anyone studying culinary arts, restaurant management, food science, nutrition or related field

How to apply

Complete **paper application** in the CCC. Due by Monday, May 1, 2023

Value of Award: $500.00

Strong Applicants: list related coursework and write a strong personal statement

Sweet Advice Microscholarship

Buy a capsule of sweet advice with a treat in the CCC for 25¢ (recycle the capsule!)

All the quarters will be collected in May for a scholarship fund

Winner(s) will be chosen by **RANDOM DRAWING** from among students who come to the CCC for Signing Day on May 1. Entry form will simply be writing a piece of advice to underclassmen about their future planning.

Anthony DePaulo Memorial Scholarship

Purpose: to honor and remember Anthony "Tony" DePaulo, an employee of the Woodland Hills School District for over 40 years. Tony devoted many unselfish hours to the students of Woodland Hills, and in order to continue that devotion, his family is awarding a scholarship in his name to a deserving WHHS senior.

Process: Paper application in the CCC; top four candidates chosen for an interview with a committee (principal, teachers, guidance counselors)

Eligibility: Students who plan to further their education in any way. Strongest applicants have a record of community involvement and community service.

Deadline: application due Thursday, April 6. Candidates notified by April 12. Interviews scheduled for April 27.

PAMELA BERGAMASCO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Pamela Bergamasco Memorial Scholarship has been established to celebrate Pam's life as well as her love of and dedication to the teaching profession.

Pam taught elementary education in the Woodland Hills School District for 35 Years.

The unselfish dedication to her students and her passion to educate them will be greatly missed. Pam cited that she was most proud of "trying to be a positive role model, getting her students to overachieve, and helping them to make good choices."

Eligibility: Graduating senior from WHHS who will be **majoring in Elementary Education**. The candidate should be in good academic standing, have overcome challenges, and have financial need.

Pamela Bergamasco Scholarship, Cont'd

Strong Applicants will demonstrate the following characteristics:

- A passion for helping others
- Leadership while maintaining dignity and integrity
- Ability to overcome challenges when pursuing personal goals
- Excellent citizenship and a strong commitment to the Woodland Hills community
- Diligence and drive to achieve personal accomplishments
- Recognition of the importance of educational accomplishments
- A need for financial assistance

Due date: Monday, April 17, 2023
Submit application to Guidance Department (Ms. Bellows)

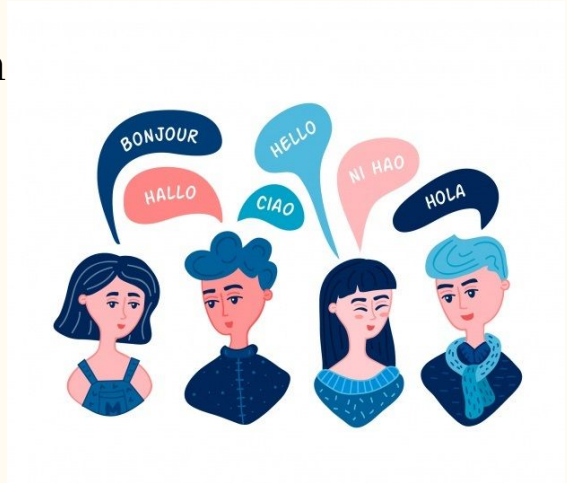
Slava Silan Mohler Scholarship

This scholarship has been established in honor of Mrs. Slava Mohler, nee Silan, who taught German and Russian at Churchill High School.

Students currently enrolled in French IV, Spanish IV, and Spanish V classes may apply

Winner will be **chosen at random** from among all completed applications

This is a “no essay” application



The Challenge Program Awards

Nominated by a Teacher:

Excellence in STEM

Academic Improvement

Self-Nominated:

Community Service Award

Based on Data Pulled from PowerSchool:

Perfect or Near Perfect Attendance

Academic Excellence

Woodland Hills Education Association

The Woodland Hills Education Association (WHEA) represents the over 300 professional staff members of the Woodland Hills School District. We are an affiliate of the Pennsylvania State Education Association and the National Education Association. We proudly support the mission of quality public education for all Woodland Hills students. We are proud to present two scholarships that Woodland Hills High School seniors are eligible to receive.

WHEA Future Educator Scholarship

Scholarship Award Amount: $1,000

Eligible Students: any student pursuing a degree in an Education-related field

How to Apply: paper applications can be picked up in the College & Career Center or in Room D212

Application Requirements: students must write an essay about their preparedness to work in education and how they plan to impact the field of education

Application Deadline: Monday - April 17, 2023

Submit Applications: drop off completed applications to Miss Everhart in D212

Amy Hohn Memorial Scholarship

Scholarship Award Amount: $1,000

Eligible Students: any community service oriented Woodland Hills senior

How to Apply: paper applications can be picked up in the College & Career Center or in Room D212

Application Requirements: students must write a personal statement about how they use their “helping hands” to assist their community

Application Deadline: Monday - April 17, 2023

Submit Applications: drop off completed applications to Miss Everhart in D212

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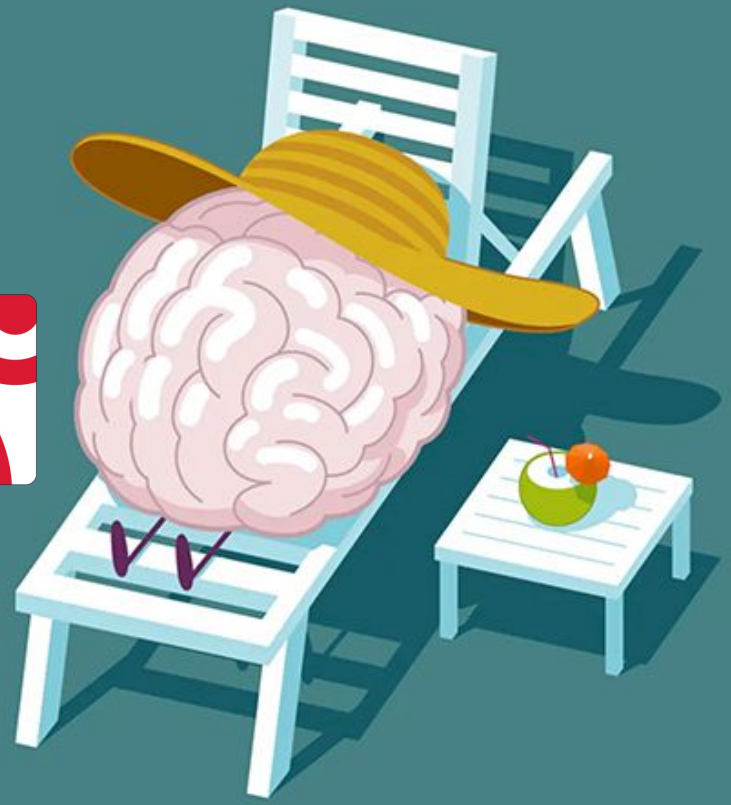
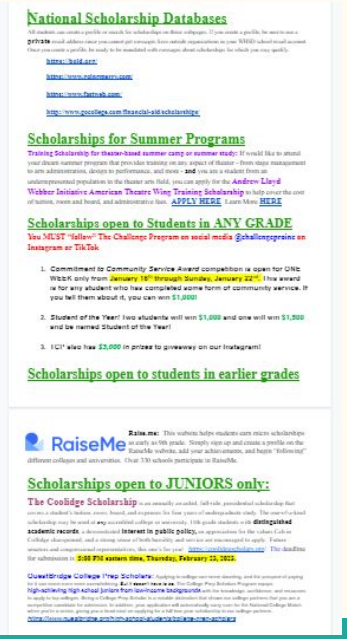


Check the Scholarship Page of the CCC Webpage

Pittsburgh Foundation Scholarships - applications open now

Awards based on residency, intended major, life experiences, racial and/or ethnic identity, grade level, parent/guardian employer, school you plan to attend



National Scholarship Databases

Scholarships for Summer Programs

Training Scholarship for theater-based summer camp or summer study: If would like to attend your dream summer program that provides training on any aspect of theater - from stage management to arts administration, dioxtyn to performance, and more - and you are a student from an underrepresented population in the theater arts field, you can apply for the Andrew Lloyd Webber Initiative American Theatre Wing Training Scholarship to help cover the cost of tuition, room and board, and administrative fees. APPLY HERE Learn More HERE

Scholarships open to Students in ANY GRADE

You MUST "follow" The Challenge Program on social media @challengeprgine on Instagram or TikTok.

1. Commitment to Community Service Award competition is open for ONE WEEK only from January 16th through Sunday, January 22nd. The award is for any student who has completed some form of community service. If you fall them about it, you can win $1,000!
2. Student of the Year! Two students will win $1,000 and one will win $1,500 and be named Student of the Year!
3. ICI! also has $3,000 in prizes to giveaway on our Instagram!

Scholarships open to students in earlier grades

RaiseMe

Raise.me: This website helps students earn micro scholarships as early as 9th grade. Simply sign up and create a profile on the RaiseMe website, add your achievements, and begin "following" different colleges and universities. Over 330 schools participate in RaiseMe.

Scholarships open to JUNIORS only:

The Coolidge Scholarship is an annually awarded, full-ride, presidential scholarship that covers a student's tuition, room, board, and expenses for four years of undergraduate study. The one-of-a-kind scholarship may be used at any accredited college or university. 11th grade students with distinguished academic records, a demonstrated interest in public policy, an appreciation for the values Calvin Coolidge championed, and a strong sense of both humility and service are encouraged to apply. Future senators and congressional representatives, this one's for you! https://coolidgescholars.org/ The deadline for submission is 5:00 PM eastern time, Thursday, February 23, 2023.

QuestBridge College Prep Scholars: Applying to college can seem daunting, and the prospect of paying for it can seem even more overwhelming. But it doesn't have to be. The College Prep Scholars Program equips high-achieving high school juniors from low-income backgrounds with the knowledge, confidence, and resources to apply to top colleges. Being a College Prep Scholar is a notable distinction that shows our college partners that you are a competitive candidate for admission. In addition, you applicant will automatically carry over for the National College Match when you're a senior, giving you a head start on applying for a full four-year scholarship to our college partners.

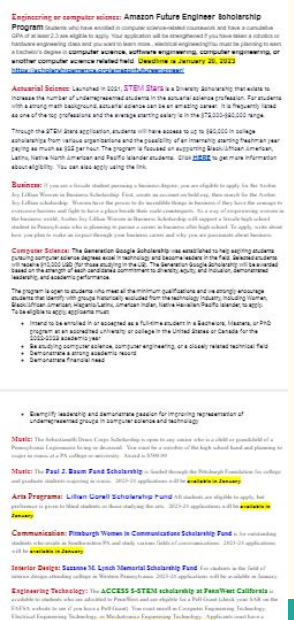
https://www.questbridge.org/high-school-students/college-prep-scholars

https://www.whsd.net/

Scholarships based on activities or life experiences:

If you are an **ATHLETE** with **high academic achievement** and **financial need**, you are eligible to apply for the **National Italian American Sports Hall of Fame**. The scholarship does not discriminate on the basis of sex, creed, ethnic background, national origin or physical disability. **Athletes from ANY BACKGROUND in ANY SPORT are encouraged to apply.** Paper applications are available in the CCC and are due no later than March 31, 2023.

Do you have lots of community involvement activities? Tzu Chi Scholars 2023: Tzu Chi Scholars is a scholarship program funded by Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation to recognize and provide financial assistance to outstanding college-bound high school graduates. Scholars are selected on the basis of financial need, academic achievement, and community involvement. Each scholar will receive an award of $1,000.00. In Chinese, "tzu" means compassion and "chi" means relief. The Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation has dedicated itself to the areas of **charitable services, medical services, education and environmental protection.** Applicants must have a **minimum GPA of 3.0** and demonstrate **financial need.** See Mrs. Krett in the CCC for a paper application and a list of supporting documents needed to apply for this scholarship. Deadline to apply is **March 18, 2023.**



Engineering or computer science: Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship Program Students who have enrolled in computer science-related coursework and have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 are eligible to apply. Your application will be strengthened if you have taken a robotics or hardware engineering class and you want to learn more. electrical engineeringYou must be planning to earn a bachelor's degree in computer science, software engineering, computer engineering, or another computer science related field. Deadline is January 20, 2023

Actuarial Science: Launched in 2001, STEM Starts is a Diversity Scholarship that exists to increase the number of underrepresented students in the actuarial science profession. For students with a strong math background, actuarial science can be an amazing career. It is frequently listed as one of the top professions and the average starting salary is in the $72,000-$90,000 range.

Through the STEM Starts application, students will have access to up to $40,000 in college scholarships from various organizations and the possibility of an internship starting freshman year paying as much as $$$ per hour. The program is focused on supporting Black/African American, Latinx, Native North American and Pacific Islander students. Click HERE to get more information about eligibility. You can also apply using the link.

Business: If you are a female student pursuing a business degree, you are eligible to apply for the Arthur Jay Lillian Weaver in Business Scholarship. First, create an account on fastweb, then look for the Arthur Jay Lillian scholarship. Women have the power to do incredible things in business if they have the courage to overcome barriers and fight to have a place beside their male counterparts. As a way of empowering women in the business world, Arthur Jay Lillian Weaver in Business Scholarship will support a female high school student in Pennsylvania who is planning to pursue a career in business after high school. To apply, write about how you plan to make an impact through your business career and why you are passionate about business.

Computer Science: The Generation Google Scholarship was established to help aspiring students pursuing computer science degrees excel in technology and become leaders in the field. Selected students will receive $10,000 USD. For those studying in the US. The Generation Google Scholarship will be awarded based on the strength of each candidates commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion, demonstrated leadership, and academic performance.

The program is open to students who meet all the minimum qualifications and we strongly encourage students that identify with groups historically excluded from the technology industry, including Women, Black/African American, Hispanic/Latinx, Latinx/Latin American Indian, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, to apply.

To be eligible to apply, applicants must:

- Intend to be enrolled in or accepted as a full-time student in a Bachelors, Masters, or PhD program at an accredited university or college in the United States or Canada for the 2022-2023 academic year
- Be studying computer science, computer engineering, or a closely related technical field
- Demonstrate a strong academic record
- Demonstrate financial need

- Exemplify leadership and demonstrate passion for improving representation of underrepresented groups in computer science and technology

Music: The Sokolowski Dixon Corps Scholarship is open to any senior who is a child or grandchild of a Pennsylvania Legionnaire living or deceased. You must be a member of the high school band and planning to major in some of a PA college or university. Award is $500.00

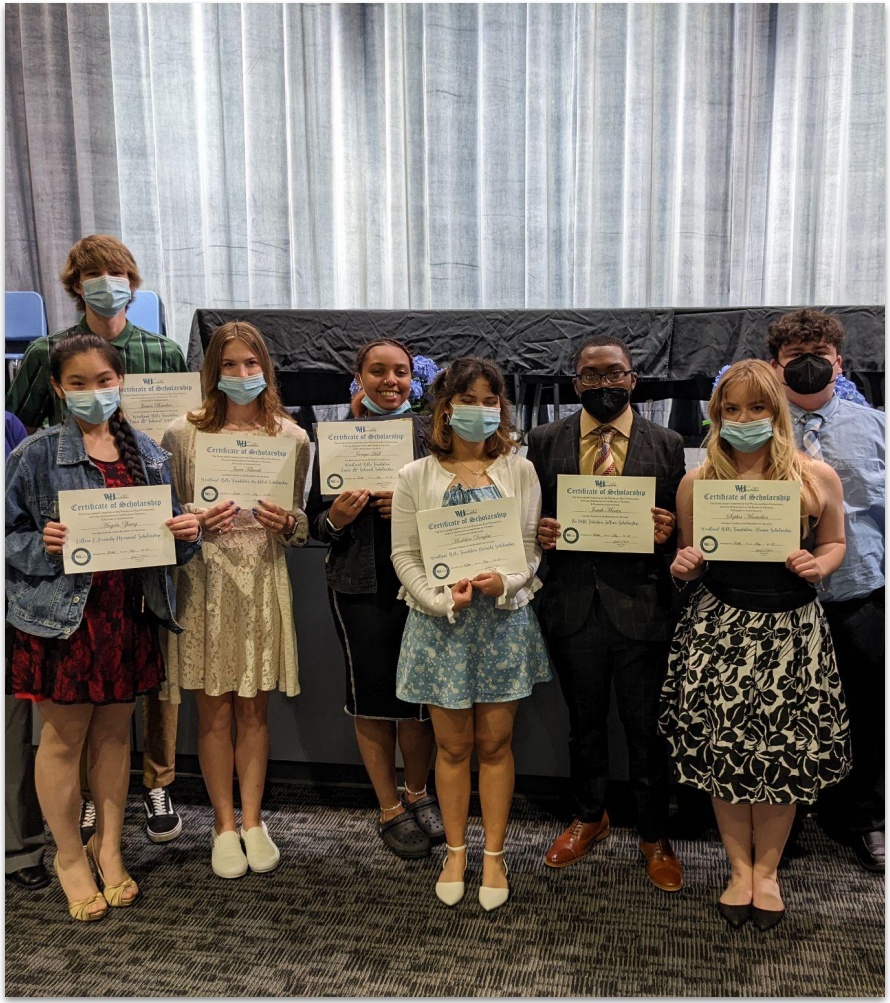
Music: The Paul J. Baum Fund Scholarship is funded through the Pittsburgh Foundation for college and graduate students majoring in music. 2022-23 applications will be available in January.

Arts Programs: Lillian Gorell Scholarship Fund All students are eligible to apply, but preference is given to blind students or those studying the arts. 2022-23 applications will be available in January.

Communication: Pittsburgh Women in Communications Scholarship Fund is for outstanding students who reside in Southwestern PA and study various fields of communications. 2022-23 applications will be available in January.

Interior Design: Suzanne M. Lynch Memorial Scholarship Fund For students in the field of interior design attending college in Western Pennsylvania. 2022-23 applications will be available in January.

Engineering Technology: The ACCESS 5-STEM scholarship at PennWest California is available to students who are admitted to PennWest and are eligible for a Pell Grant (check your SAR on the FAFSA website to see if you have a Pell Grant). You must enroll in Computer Engineering Technology, Electrical Engineering Technology, or Mechatronics Engineering Technology. Applicants must have a



Woodland Hills Foundation Scholarships 2023

15 Scholarships
$16,700 to be Awarded

6 Scholarships funded by the Foundation
9 Scholarships funded by private donors

FOR WOODLAND HILLS STUDENTS ONLY

Scholarships funded BY THE FOUNDATION are limited to one per student. However, students may receive as many privately funded scholarships as they are awarded (in addition to a Foundation scholarship, if awarded).

WH Foundation

Woodland Hills Foundation Scholarships 2023

Scholarships funded by the Foundation:

- **disAbled Student Scholarship: $1,000; 4 Applicants in 2022**
  Open to all seniors who have a visible or non-visible disability.

- **Diversity Scholarship: $1,000; 5 Applicants in 2022**
  Open to all seniors who have been traditionally underrepresented and identify as being part of a racial minority.

- **H.U.G.S. Volunteer Scholarship: $1,000; 5 Applicants in 2022**
  Open to all seniors who have demonstrated outstanding service to others at the local, state and/or national level.

- **The Woodland Hills Foundation Traditional Scholarship: $1,000; 12 Applicants in 2022**
  Open to all seniors who are pursuing post-secondary education at a traditional four year college.

- **The Woodland Hills Foundation 2023 Career and Technical Scholarship: $1,000; 4 Applicants in 2022**
  Open to all seniors who will continue their education in a vocational, technical, or (non-four-year) educational program that has a diploma, certificate, or Associate's Degree upon completion.

- **WHF Alumni Scholarship: $1,000; 7 Applicants in 2022**
  Open to all seniors who will graduate in 2023 from Woodland Hills High School and who will continue their education in a vocational, technical, or four-year educational program that awards a diploma, certificate, Associate or Bachelor's Degree upon completion.

Woodland Hills Foundation Scholarships 2023

Scholarships funded by private donors:

Criteria for privately funded scholarships are set by the donors

- **The Colleen E. Kennedy Memorial Scholarship: $1,000; 3 Applicants in 2022**
  Open to all seniors who have had success academically and athletically, demonstrated community spirit through volunteer service, and who will continue their education in a vocational, technical, or (non 4-year) educational program that awards a diploma, certificate, or Associate Degree upon completion.

- **The Darcy Lynne Herman Scholarship: $1,000; 11 Applicants in 2022 (2 Scholarships)**
  Open to all seniors who will graduate in from Woodland Hills High School who have demonstrated success in both science and humanities studies, and who will continue their education in a 4-year or longer educational program which grants a Bachelor's degree or higher upon completion.

- **The Julia Anne McCool Memorial Scholarship for the Arts & Humanities: $2,500: 3 Applicants in 2022**
  Open to all seniors who will graduate in from Woodland Hills High School who are continuing their education in music, art, performance, liberal arts or humanities. Preference will be given to those continuing their education in music or art.

Woodland Hills Foundation Scholarships 2023

Scholarships funded by private donors (continued):

- **Patti Fedishen Zollner Scholarship Fund: $1,000; 28 Applicants in 2022 (2 Scholarships)**
  Open to all seniors who will graduate from Woodland Hills High School. The award must be used for tuition or books for continuing his/her education at a community college, trade or technical school, two or four year college.

- **The Robert & Christine Smith Diversity Scholarship: $1,000; 4 Applicants in 2022**
  Open to all seniors who have been traditionally underrepresented and identify as being part of a racial minority.

- **2023 Rotary Club of Forest Hills "Service Above Self" Tom Nunnally Memorial Scholarship: $1,000; 3 Applicants in 2022**
  Open to all seniors who will continue their education in a vocational, technical, or four-year educational program that awards a diploma, certificate, Associate or Bachelor's Degree upon completion.

- **The Lott Family Scholarship: $1,000 (New!)**
  Criteria TBD

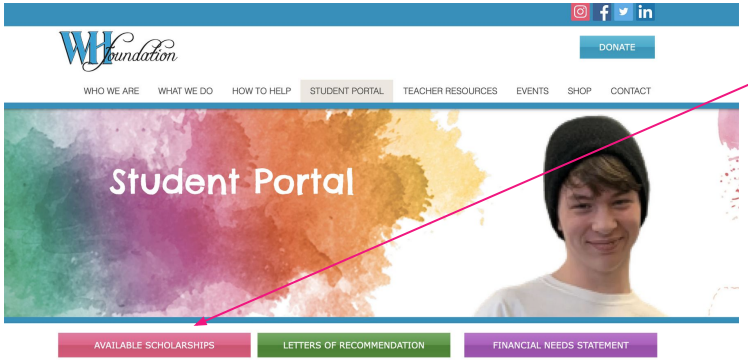
Applying for Scholarships through the Woodland Hills Foundation

To apply, visit:

www.woodlandhillsfoundation.com

Click on “Student Portal” on the top toolbar.

Applying for Scholarships through the Woodland Hills Foundation



Click “Available Scholarships

Available Scholarships: Who Should Apply?

Students in their Senior Year of High School at Woodland Hills School District are invited to apply. There are currently thirteen scholarships available (some scholarships have multiple awards). Each scholarship has a different award amount, guidelines and criteria.

Students should carefully read through each of the scholarship guidelines to determine which scholarship suits them best.

Additionally, students are permitted to apply for multiple scholarships.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ARE NOW CLOSED!

Letters of Recommendation

If an application does require a Letter of Recommendation, students may send the person from whom they are requesting a letter the link to our Letters of Recommendation page: https://www.woodlandhillsfoundation.com/letters-of-recommendation

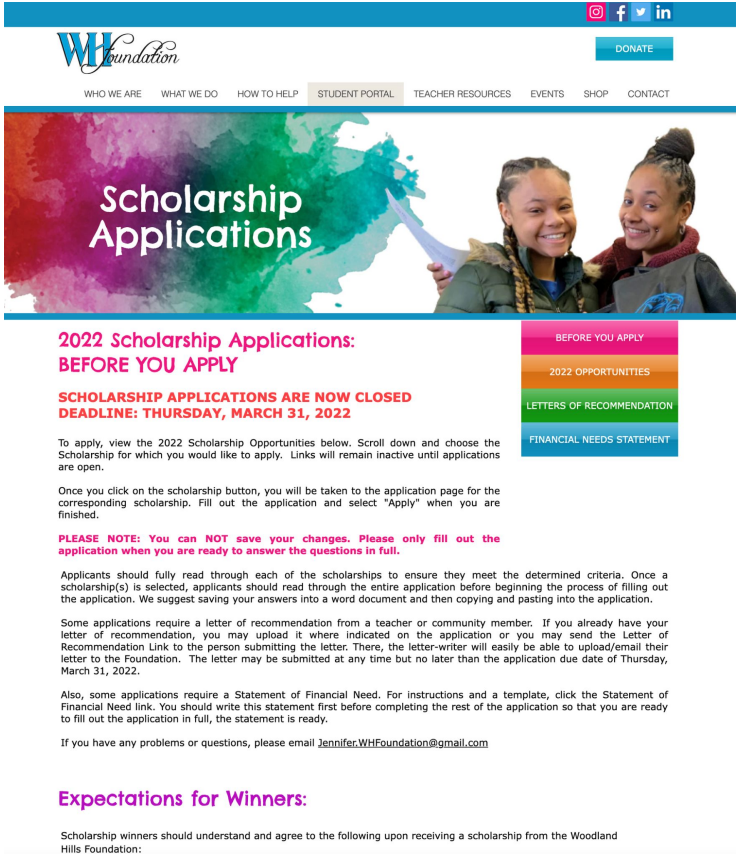
Once there, they will be able to easily upload or email a letter of recommendation directly to the Foundation.

Financial Needs Statement

Some applications also require a Financial Needs Statement. Writing this statement should not be a burden. Please click the Financial Needs Statement link above for a short guide/template for writing your statement. Check the application for which you wish to apply and check to see if your application requires the Financial Needs Statement. If it does, you should have your statement ready before you apply.

Any additional questions or clarifications may be addressed to Jennifer Trehar

Applying for Scholarships through the Woodland Hills Foundation



Scroll down for a list of all available scholarships.

Students should review all available scholarships and criteria for each

Students should apply FOR ALL scholarships for which they are eligible

- Criteria MAY include:
- Essay
- A financial needs statement
- Student must identify as being part of a racial minority
- Demonstrated outstanding service to others at the local, state and/or national level
- Confirmation of volunteer hours
- Letter(s) of recommendation
- Demonstrated academic AND athletic success
- Plans to continue education in music, art, performance, liberal art or humanities
- Plans to continue education in a vocational, technical, or (non-four-year) educational program that has a diploma, certificate, or Associate's Degree upon completion

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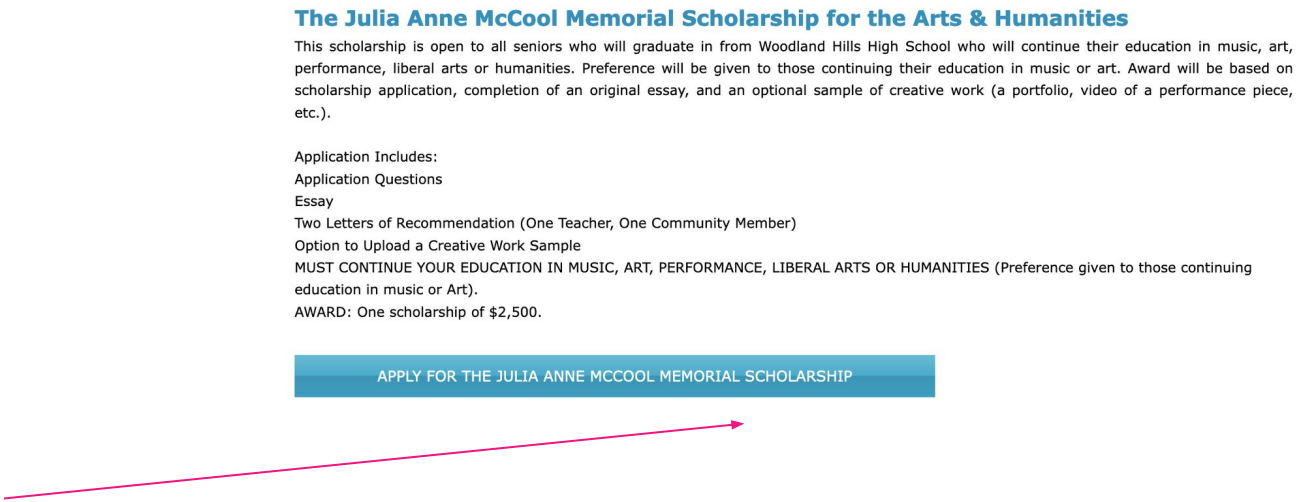

Click the button on the scholarship for which you would like to apply. This will take you to the application for that scholarship alone.

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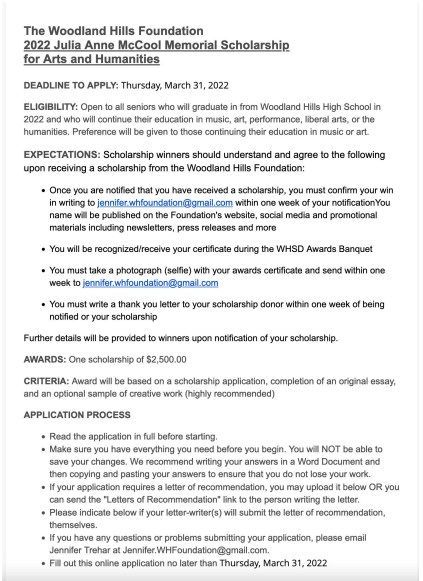


The Woodland Hills Foundation
2022 Julia Anne McCool Memorial Scholarship for Arts and Humanities

DEADLINE TO APPLY: Thursday, March 31, 2022

ELIGIBILITY: Open to all seniors who will graduate in from Woodland Hills High School in 2022 and who will continue their education in music, art, performance, liberal arts, or the humanities. Preference will be given to those continuing their education in music or art.

EXPECTATIONS: Scholarship winners should understand and agree to the following upon receiving a scholarship from the Woodland Hills Foundation:

- Once you are notified that you have received a scholarship, you must confirm your win in writing to jennifer.whfoundation@gmail.com within one week of your notificationYou name will be published on the Foundation's website, social media and promotional materials including newsletters, press releases and more
- You will be recognized/receive your certificate during the WHSD Awards Banquet
- You must take a photograph (selfie) with your awards certificate and send within one week to jennifer.whfoundation@gmail.com
- You must write a thank you letter to your scholarship donor within one week of being notified or your scholarship

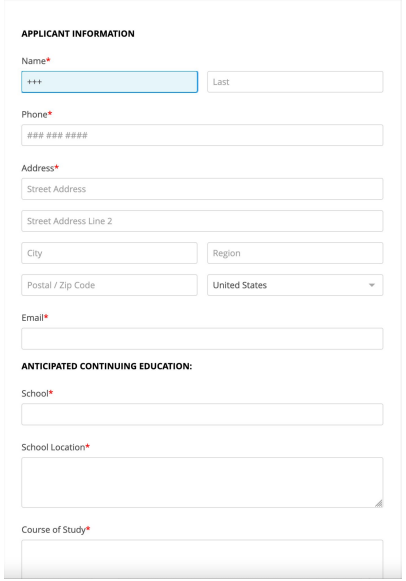
Further details will be provided to winners upon notification of your scholarship.

AWARDS: One scholarship of $2,500.00

CRITERIA: Award will be based on a scholarship application, completion of an original essay, and an optional sample of creative work (highly recommended)

APPLICATION PROCESS

- Read the application in full before starting.
- Make sure you have everything you need before you begin. You will NOT be able to save your changes. We recommend writing your answers in a Word Document and then copying and pasting your answers to ensure that you do not lose your work.
- If your application requires a letter of recommendation, you may upload it below OR you can send the "Letters of Recommendation" link to the person writing the letter.
- Please indicate below if your letter-writer(s) will submit the letter of recommendation, themselves.
- If you have any questions or problems submitting your application, please email Jennifer Trehar at Jennifer.WHFoundation@gmail.com.
- Fill out this online application no later than Thursday, March 31, 2022



APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name*
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Phone*
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Address*
Street Address
Street Address Line 2
City | Region
Postal / Zip Code | United States

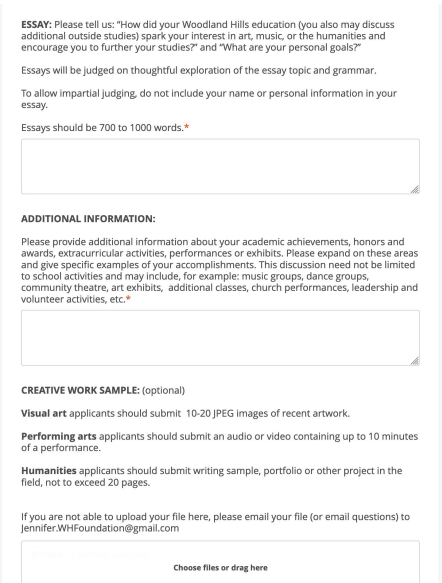
Email*

ANTICIPATED CONTINUING EDUCATION:

School*

School Location*

Course of Study*



ESSAY: Please tell us: "How did your Woodland Hills education (you also may discuss additional outside studies) spark your interest in art, music, or the humanities and encourage you to further your studies?" and "What are your personal goals?"

Essays will be judged on thoughtful exploration of the essay topic and grammar.

To allow impartial judging, do not include your name or personal information in your essay.

Essays should be 700 to 1000 words.*

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

Please provide additional information about your academic achievements, honors and awards, extracurricular activities, performances or exhibits. Please expand on these areas and give specific examples of your accomplishments. This discussion need not be limited to school activities and may include, for example: music groups, dance groups, community theatre, art exhibits, additional classes, church performances, leadership and volunteer activities, etc.*

CREATIVE WORK SAMPLE: (optional)

Visual art applicants should submit 10-20 JPEG images of recent artwork.

Performing arts applicants should submit an audio or video containing up to 10 minutes of a performance.

Humanities applicants should submit writing sample, portfolio or other project in the field, not to exceed 20 pages.

If you are not able to upload your file here, please email your file (or email questions) to Jennifer.WHFoundation@gmail.com

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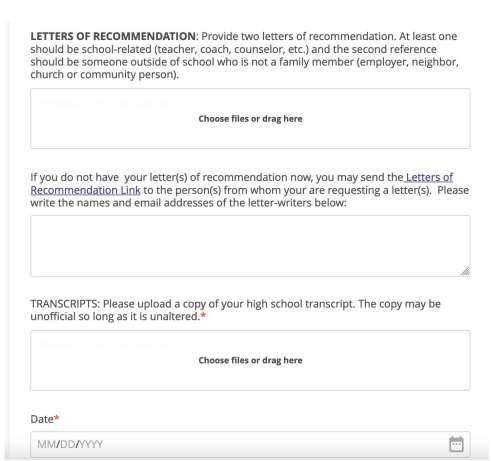

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION: Provide two letters of recommendation. At least one should be school-related (teacher, coach, counselor, etc.) and the second reference should be someone outside of school who is not a family member (employer, neighbor, church or community person).

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If you do not have your letter(s) of recommendation now, you may send the Letters of Recommendation Link to the person(s) from whom your are requesting a letter(s). Please write the names and email addresses of the letter-writers below:

TRANSCRIPTS: Please upload a copy of your high school transcript. The copy may be unofficial so long as it is unaltered.*

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Date*

MM/DD/YYYY

Review eligibility requirements, expectations and criteria. Then scroll down to review the application. Changes can NOT be saved. You should consider writing your application in a word document first and then, when you are ready, copy and paste your work.

Some scholarships require a letter of recommendation. You may upload your letters here or send your contact the Letters of Recommendation link so they may send it, themselves. You can also upload any transcripts, work samples, volunteer hour logs, Etc. here.

Applying for Scholarships through the Woodland Hills Foundation

- **Financial Needs Statement**
  - Many scholarships and college financial aid awards are “need-based,” including many of the scholarships awarded by the Woodland Hills Foundation.
  - Many of the donors who provide funding for our scholarships have stipulated that their scholarships be awarded specifically to students with a financial hardship or need.
  - You may be applying for other scholarships, outside of the Woodland Hills Foundation that also require a needs statement.
  - By writing your needs statement for the Woodland Hills Foundation now, you will be providing yourself with a good starting point for other scholarships to which you apply.
  - Download our guide, which includes:
    - What Should Your Financial Needs Statement Include?
    - Template to Structure your Financial Needs Statement
    - Sample Statements

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- **Letters of Recommendation**
  - Many scholarships require a Letter of Recommendation from a teacher or community member. Send this link to your contact so they can easily submit a letter through our website; This link also includes tips for your contacts on what to include in the letter
- **Expectations for Winners:**
  - Scholarship winners should understand and agree to the following upon receiving a scholarship from the Woodland Hills Foundation:
    - Once you are notified that you have received a scholarship, you must **confirm your win in writing to within one week** of your notification
    - You name will be published on the Foundation's website, social media and promotional materials
    - You will be recognized/receive your certificate during the WHSD Awards Banquet on **May 18, 2023**
    - You must **take a photograph** with your awards certificate and send within one week to the Foundation
    - You must **write a thank you letter** to your scholarship donor within one week of being notified or your scholarship

How are winners decided?

Scholarship Scoring Rubric:

- Rubrics are detailed outlines for how each application will be read and scored. Using rubrics to review scholarship and fellowship applications helps reviewers stay consistent, minimizes personal bias, and provides a useful reference for everyone involved in the process.
- Upon receipt of your application, all identifying information is removed by a third party. A committee of Board Members then use individual scoring rubrics to score your application
- What is scored using the rubric?
    - Are all required documents present?
    - Financial Needs Statement (if required): Student provides a logical and thoughtful statement, demonstrating a real need for financial support and fulfilling the requirements associated with having a financial need
    - Letters of Recommendation (if required): Applicants will receive points based on strength of the recommendation.
    - Application Questions: answers are rated on quality of thought *and* quality of writing (organization, clarity, grammar and spelling). Excellent applications will provide a logical and mature course of action for further study, with clear direction and thought, which displays personal integrity.

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All Woodland Hills Foundation Scholarship Applications Open:
Tuesday, January 31, 2023

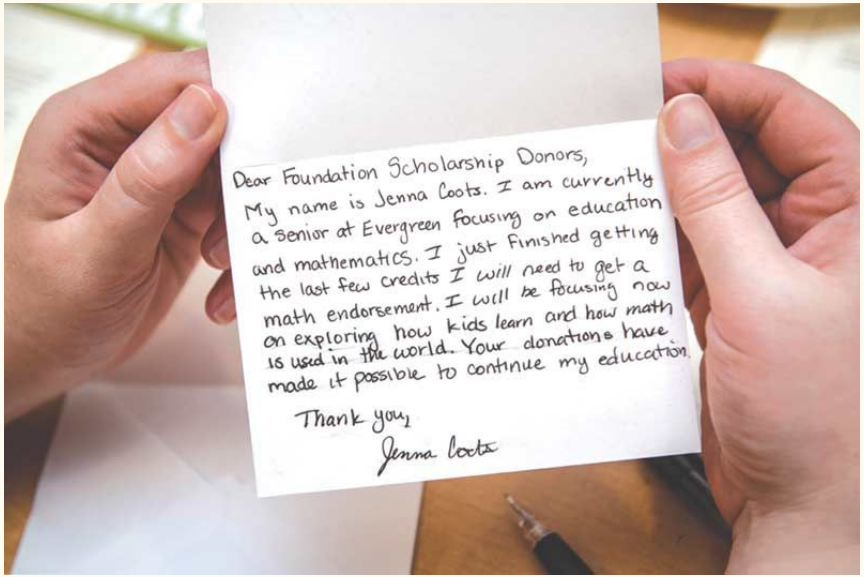
Deadline: Friday, March 31, 2023

Remember the 3C's: Clear, Complete, Compelling!

DON'T WAIT TO APPLY!
You will need to include transcripts, letters of recommendation and more!
If you wait until the last minute, you might miss the deadline!

GOOD LUCK!

If you are awarded a scholarship from any of these organizations, be sure to write a personal thank you note to show your appreciation of their financial support of your goals!



One last Giveaway!