

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood
Scholarship Foundation



2023
SCHOLARSHIPS
AND APPLICATION

Serving the communities of Scotch Plains and Fanwood since 1966



THE SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

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Dear Members of the Class of 2023 and current College Students,

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood Scholarship Foundation is honored to continue assisting graduating seniors and current college students who reside in Scotch Plains and Fanwood in achieving their goal of a college or other post-high school education, as we have since 1966.

We are acutely aware that the past few years have presented many challenges, and want all of our applicants to know that we will be taking that into consideration when reviewing applications. We understand that many academic, extra-curricular, varsity sports, testing, school/community service and work opportunities may have been affected by the current pandemic. Please be assured that we will be assessing your application in the context of the current circumstances. We also wish to **strongly** encourage families to apply for financial need-based scholarships, as many factors are taken into consideration when determining financial need, and your financial circumstances may have been recently affected.

Please carefully review the description of each scholarship listed in this booklet. You will find:

- Only **one** application needs to be completed to be considered for most scholarships listed. Applications accessed at [www.spfscholarshipfoundation.org](http://www.spfscholarshipfoundation.org) can be filled in online, but **must be printed and submitted as directed**.
- There are both financial need and non-financial need-based scholarships.
- Need-based scholarship applicants must complete the *Income Verification Worksheet* and supply the necessary supporting tax documents.
- **Several scholarships require an additional letter of recommendation or an essay** (listed in bold in the scholarship description) which must include your name and the scholarship name and be submitted along with your application. Please see the Additional Requirements section on page 5 of the application.
- **Deadline for receipt of the application and all supporting documents is FEBRUARY 7, 2023.** Applications will be accepted beginning January 2, 2023. Please allow ample time for delivery by February 7<sup>th</sup>. The Foundation cannot be responsible for postal delays. Applications dropped off at the post office counter are not immediately placed in our P.O. Box; they require significant turnaround time before they reach the Foundation, so plan accordingly. Early submission is encouraged. Recent changes in Post Office service standards may significantly delay delivery of mailed applications. As such, we are also accepting in-person deliveries of applications. See our website for available times and locations.

Please read the 2023 Scholarship booklet thoroughly, as answers to most questions are contained within the booklet. If additional questions should arise, please do not hesitate to contact the Scholarship Foundation at [spfscholarshipfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:spfscholarshipfoundation@gmail.com) or visit our website.

On behalf of all of the Trustees of the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Scholarship Foundation, I congratulate you on your interest in furthering your education beyond high school and encourage you to apply for these scholarships made available to you by the generosity of many individuals and local organizations.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wyrwa  
President

# INSTRUCTIONS

Scotch Plains and Fanwood residents who are graduating seniors from public or private high schools or current college students who plan to attend a post-high school institution in the fall of 2023 may apply for scholarship assistance. Recognized post-high school institutions include two and four-year colleges, technical, and vocational schools within the United States. Applications accessed at [spfscholarshipfoundation.org](http://spfscholarshipfoundation.org) can be filled in online, but **must be printed and submitted as directed below**.

Each applicant will be considered for all scholarships administered by the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Scholarship Foundation based on individual scholarship criteria and eligibility. Applications are reviewed by a Screening Committee comprised of at least four Trustees from the Scholarship Foundation, a PTA representative from each of the eight local schools and a PTA Council representative.

In addition to your completed 2023 Application, please submit the following supporting documents by February 7<sup>th</sup>:

1. **A signed personal essay**

How have your academic aspirations and character been impacted by your activities, experiences, and relationships? In answering this question, your essay should include information about the following as they pertain to you: goals and plans for the future; interests and activities that you feel are significant in your life; employment experience, including the use of earnings (if employment is through a family business, indicate whether compensation is received); and extenuating family circumstances or information including illness, job loss, or any additional circumstances.

It is recommended that essays are approximately 1,000 words and should be formatted as Times New Roman 12-point font. Your full name should appear as a header in the top right-hand corner of each page of your essay.

2. **One letter of reference (all applicants)**

**One** letter from a teacher, professor, employer, coach, club advisor, counselor or other significant adult (excluding relatives) is required. The applicant is responsible for requesting that the reference either mail the letter **directly** to the Foundation at the address below OR email the letter to Teresa Carvalho at [tcarvalho@spfk12.org](mailto:tcarvalho@spfk12.org) under the subject 'SPF Scholarship Foundation Reference Letter'. Letters must be received by February 7<sup>th</sup>.

SPFHS applicants **ONLY**: The Foundation can acquire the letter directly from the guidance department IF the reference has already submitted a letter for you through the Naviance system. If not, then the applicant is responsible for requesting that the reference send the letter directly to the Foundation per the above instructions.

3. **An official high school transcript (high school applicants only)**

You are responsible for requesting that your official high school transcript is sent **directly** by your high school to the address below. SPFHS applicants should follow the directions located in the back of the booklet for electronic transcript release.

4. **An official college transcript (college applicants only)**

You are responsible for requesting that your official college transcript is sent **directly** by your school to the address below. **Transcripts must be received by February 7<sup>th</sup>**. Internet downloaded transcripts may not be accepted.

Incomplete or unsigned applications may not be considered. Please do not staple. Do not include additional materials in support of your application. Notify the Foundation of any change in your college major, school and volunteer activities or family circumstances as soon as possible. **Once your application has been submitted**, it is important to **check your email regularly** for communication from the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Scholarship Foundation. Direct all inquiries to [spfscholarshipfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:spfscholarshipfoundation@gmail.com).

Mail completed application and personal essay after January 1<sup>st</sup> with adequate postage to:

Scotch Plains-Fanwood Scholarship Foundation Screening Committee  
P. O. Box 123  
Fanwood, NJ 07023

Recent changes in Post Office service standards may **significantly delay delivery of mailed applications**. As such, we are also accepting in-person deliveries of applications. Please see our website for available times and locations.

**APPLICATIONS AND ALL SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS (including transcripts) MUST BE RECEIVED BY  
FEBRUARY 7, 2023 TO BE CONSIDERED. Late applications will be returned.**

# SCHOLARSHIPS

The following is a listing of all scholarships administered by the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Scholarship Foundation including dollar amounts for each award and individual scholarship criteria. Scholarships are grouped alphabetically by **Financial Need** or **Non-Financial Need-based** consideration. **Please note that several scholarships require an additional essay and/or letter of recommendation.** All essays must be submitted with the application and include your full name and the name of the scholarship as a header in the top right-hand corner of each page.

For scholarships including “**Foundation requirements**” as a criterion, an applicant must exhibit **ALL** of the following:

1. Financial need – Financial Need Verification Worksheet and income documentation must be submitted (application page 6).
2. Character
3. Academic scholarship
4. Evidence of financial self-help - Requires **both** employment and a financial contribution toward college expenses by the applicant.
5. School and/or community service

College applicants are only eligible for the Dollars for Students awards which are **Financial Need-based** scholarships and require applicants to satisfy all of the Foundation requirements listed above, or the Lyght Family Scholarship, which requires submission of a supplemental essay to be eligible for consideration (please see scholarship description for details).

## FINANCIAL NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS:

### BESSON FAMILY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS (established 1992)

Two \$2,500 awards for a male and female graduating senior exhibiting potential for success, financial need

### PHILIP CAPPIO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2019)

One \$2,000 award for a SPFHS graduating senior entering the teaching profession and/or participated in track and/or involved in service to others; Foundation requirements

### CAROL B. CHOYE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2022)

One \$2,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior, preferably a minority student, financial need

### MAURO AND RULENE DIFRANCESCO SCHOLARSHIP (established 2014)

One \$1,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior who attended School One, financial need

### DOLLARS FOR STUDENTS SCHOLARSHIPS (established 1966)

A total of \$21,000 was given in 2022 to 14 graduating seniors and current college students; Foundation requirements

### ROBERT H. KRAUS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2010)

One \$3,000 award for a SPFHS graduating senior attending Rutgers, extra-curricular activities or volunteerism, minimum 3.0 GPA, financial need

### JOHN AND MARIE LOSAVIO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 1999)

One \$500 award for a graduating senior majoring in music, exhibiting good character and a good scholastic record, financial need

### WILLIAM J. MCGINN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2011)

One \$2,000 award for a SPFHS graduating senior majoring in nursing; Foundation requirements

### MOORE-SKILLMAN SCHOLARSHIP (established 2018)

One or two awards totaling \$3,000 for a female graduating senior attending SPFHS for at least 3 years with an A- (3.6) or higher GPA, pursuing a degree in a S.T.E.M. field or business; Foundation requirements

### ETHEL PERKINS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (Rotary-Garbe; established 2010)

One \$2,000 award for four years for a graduating senior pursuing a degree from an accredited college, financial need

**JAMES O'HARA POWERS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS (established 1998)**

Two \$1,000 awards for a male and a female SPFHS graduating senior achieving a varsity letter, exhibiting team dedication, enthusiasm, financial need

**DR. MURIEL H. RAMSDEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 1991)**

One \$1,500 award for a female SPFHS graduating senior majoring in science with preference given to chemistry; Foundation requirements

**TERRY AND ARLENE RIEGEL SCHOLARSHIPS (established 2013)**

Two \$5,000 awards for SPFHS graduating seniors exhibiting potential and promise for success in college; Foundation requirements

**ROTARY-GARBE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS (established 1987)**

Three \$2,500 awards for four years for graduating seniors from SPFHS, Union Catholic or any school within the UCVTS system exhibiting high moral character, leadership qualities, successful academic capabilities, planning to attend college or vocational school, financial need

**SCHOOL ONE RETIRED ELEMENTARY EDUCATORS AND STAFF (established 2014)**

One \$1,000 award for a graduating senior who attended School One, exhibiting potential for success, financial need

**JAMES R. SOCHAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2002)**

One \$500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior, financial need

**FRANKLIN MAINE AND HELEN McCONNELL SPOONER SCHOLARSHIP (established 2002)**

One \$2,000 award for a female SPFHS graduating senior majoring in biology, botany, chemistry, physics or engineering; Foundation requirements

**JEFFREY SPRING MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 1995)**

One award for a SPFHS or Union Catholic graduating senior exhibiting motivation and progress, academic excellence, involvement in school activities, financial need. Award amount announced in the spring

**KERRI VILLANE SUNSHINE SCHOLARSHIP (established 2020)**

Two \$1,000 awards for a graduating senior who attended School One, exemplifies friendship, community leadership and kindness, financial need, evidence of financial self-help, requires both employment and a financial contribution toward college expenses by the applicant; preference given to a major in education, medicine or accounting and/or involvement in emergency services in Scotch Plains/Fanwood

**NON-FINANCIAL NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS:**

**ADRIAN ANDREWS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2013)**

One \$2,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior exhibiting academic scholarship, character, school and/or community service; **requires an additional essay** describing how a specific friendship has impacted your life

**COACH BREZ MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2021)**

Two \$1,000 awards for a male and a female SPFHS graduating senior and varsity soccer player exhibiting academic effort and character, extraordinary sportsmanship, uncompromising integrity, and has given 100% effort to the team. In the spirit of the Johan Neeskens award that Coach Brez used to award each year, the recipient should be a hard worker who was instrumental in cheering on the team and puts the needs of the team first

**FRED J. CHEMIDLIN, JR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2019)**

One \$2,000 award for a SPFHS graduating senior exhibiting academic effort, character, school and/or community service; priority given for exceptional community service and a dedication to caring for and supporting others, secondary priority for an entrepreneurial spirit

**CLASS OF 1967 (FIRST TO RECEIVE, FIRST TO GIVE BACK) SCHOLARSHIP (established 2019)**

One \$1,000 award for a SPFHS graduating senior exhibiting academic scholarship, character, school and/or community service; preference given to a student who plans to attend a 2-year vocational or technical program

**JJ CUNNINGHAM MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2021)**

Two \$1,500 awards for a male and female SPFHS graduating senior participating in SPFHS track and/or cross country for at least 2 years including senior year, exhibiting academic effort, character, school and/or community service, is a caring and good friend

**DAIDONE FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP (established 2021)**

One \$3,000 award for a SPFHS graduating senior exhibiting academic effort, character, school and/or community service, plans to study or pursue a career around improving our mass transportation systems (e.g. construction related services, electrical, civil, structural or computer engineering or urban planning and design)

**MAURO AND RULENE DiFRANCESCO SAINT BARTHOLOMEW'S STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP (established 2017)**

One \$1,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior who attended Saint Bartholomew's Academy, exhibiting potential for success

**ROCCO & CAMILLE DINIZO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2017)**

One \$1,000 award for a SPFHS graduating senior exhibiting potential for success, character, school and/or community service, evidence of financial self-help, majoring in education with preference given to special education; **requires an additional submission** - To help us get to know you, please send us your favorite essay from any class taken in high school

**FRANK & EILEEN DiNIZO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2011)**

One \$500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior exhibiting outstanding community service

**KAREN AND JOSEPH FRANZONE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2001)**

One \$1,000 award for a graduating senior majoring in education at a four-year college with preference given to special education, may have overcome a learning disability; **requires an additional personal essay** describing what made you want to pursue a career in education and how your life experiences will help you be a better teacher

**FRANK FUMOSA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2017)**

One \$1,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior exhibiting academic scholarship, character, school and/or community service, evidence of financial self-help; priority given to an outstanding percussionist majoring in music, secondary priority to a 4-year instrumental music program participant

**MARCO M. GIASULLO MEMORIAL (established 2019)**

One \$2,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior varsity baseball player displaying team spirit, academic effort, character, school and/or community service

**GIRL SCOUT SCHOLARSHIP (established 2011)**

One \$750 award for a female graduating senior and currently registered Girl Scout, active in F-SP Girl Scouts for the last 5 years, exhibiting academic scholarship, character, school and/or community service; **requires an additional essay** describing how Girl Scouts has assisted you in student life and prepared you for adulthood

**DORIS KOUES MEMORIAL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP (established 1995)**

One \$400 award for a graduating senior majoring in nursing

**GEORGE KUREK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2020)**

One \$1,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior exhibiting academic effort, character; **requires an additional essay**: Thornton Wilder's play Our Town inspires readers to notice profound beauty and meaning in ordinary daily routines. An important quote from this play is, "Do any human beings ever realize life while they live it--every, every minute?" Please reflect on a personal experience that gave you a better appreciation of everyday life.

**WILLIAM AND RUTH LINGE SCHOLARSHIPS (established 2006)**

Two \$1500 awards for a male and a female SPFHS graduating senior excelling in a foreign language; **requires an additional letter of recommendation** mailed directly from a foreign language instructor describing what makes the applicant an exceptional foreign language student.

**LYGHT FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP (established 2020)**

Up to \$6000 will be awarded to one or more SPFHS graduating seniors or current college students (SPFHS graduates) of African American descent exhibiting character, academic effort, minimum 3.0 GPA, school and/or community service, attending a two- or four-year post-high school institution, technical or vocational school; **requires an additional one-page essay** answering the following question: There are many influential African American past and present. Has there been an individual who you either know or have learned about that has influenced you with your career and personal goals?

**JOHN J. MAGGS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2018)**

One award for a SPFHS graduating senior exhibiting academic scholarship, character, school and/or community service, financial self-help; priority given to a major in graphic art, secondary priority to a major in any expressive art. Award amount will be announced in the spring.

**COURTNEY E. METZGER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2000)**

One \$2,500 award for a female SPFHS graduating senior participating in athletics during high school; **requires an additional essay** describing yourself as an individual and **an additional letter of recommendation**

**WILLIAM MULLIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (Rotary-Garbe; established 2010)**

One \$2,000 award for four years for a graduating senior majoring in animal science or veterinary medicine at an accredited college

**KATHERINE NEWCOMER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2016)**

One \$1,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior exhibiting academic scholarship, character, school and/or community service; priority given to a nursing major, secondary priority to a healthcare field

**CHARLIE NEWMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2021)**

One \$5,000 award for a graduating senior who has shown resilience in the face of adversity

**NICK PALUMBO, M.D. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2022)** One \$1,500 award for a graduating senior from SPFHS who is interested in studying medicine or the sciences, has participated in SPFHS athletics, and has had to overcome adversity. Recipient should exhibit academic potential and uncompromising integrity and participate in school and/or community service.

**THE PATRICK'S DOWNTOWN RACE TO SUMMER 5K SCHOLARSHIP, IN MEMORY OF PATRICK J. ALLOCCA (Established 2022)** One \$1,500 award for a graduating SPFHS senior who exhibits academic scholarship and leadership qualities, participates in extra-curricular activities at SPFHS, and is actively involved in school/community service.

**LAURIE PRUSIK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2019)**

One \$1,000 award for a graduating senior, priority given to a SPFHS senior, whose immediate family has been affected by cancer, exhibiting school and/or community service, priority given to someone who attended Coles Elementary; **requires an additional one-page essay** describing how cancer in your immediate family has had an effect on your life

**THE DENTALCARE ASSOCIATES ROBERT AND JOANN SCALERA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2010)**

One \$1,000 award for a SPFHS graduating senior pursuing a health-related profession, community service

**LaVERNE SCHNELL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2017)**

One \$1,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior exhibiting school and/or community service, financial self-help; priority given to a major in fashion design, fashion marketing or graphic arts

**NANCY HART SCHOTT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2019)**

One \$1,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior pursuing a nursing degree, exhibiting academic scholarship, character, school and/or community service, evidence of financial self-help

**SCOTCH PLAINS RECREATION DEPARTMENT (established 2021)**

Two \$500 awards for a graduating senior who has participated in seasonal or summer camp employment through the Scotch Plains Recreation Department, exhibiting academic scholarship, character, school and/or community service

**SPFHS BLACK STUDENT UNION SCHOLARSHIP (established 2020)**

One \$1,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior and active member of BSU for at least 2 yrs., embodies the BSU mission to empower and unify the community by educating one another on issues of race, racial injustice and striving for a more diverse, open-minded and equitable future

**SPFHS ITALIAN CLUB SCHOLARSHIP (established 2013)**

One \$150 award for a SPFHS graduating senior and active Italian Club member taking four years of high school Italian, maintaining a minimum A-average all four years

**SPF-IU SCHOLARSHIP (established 2022)**

One \$2,000 award for a SPFHS graduating senior who will be attending Indiana University Bloomington. Recipient should exhibit academic scholarship and character and participate in school and/or community service. First preference will go to a student attending the Kelly School of business, but all students attending Indiana University Bloomington will be considered.

**SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD FIELD HOCKEY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP (established 2021)**

Two \$1,000 awards for a SPFHS or UCVT high school graduating senior who has participated on the SPF Field Hockey team for 3 years or more, evidence of being a team player and contributions towards the field hockey program, exhibiting school and/or community service, proven academic effort with a minimum 3.4 GPA, evidence of financial self-help

**SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD ICE HOCKEY ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP (established 2015)**

One \$1,000 award for a graduating senior who is a member of the ice hockey team

**SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD LACROSSE CLUB SCHOLARSHIPS & THE NICK MICELI LACROSSE SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP (established 2018 & 2022)**

Four \$1,000 awards for two male and two female graduating seniors who are members of the lacrosse team exhibiting academic scholarship, character, evidence of financial self-help, school and/or community service



**LINA SURIANO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2016)**

One \$1,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior exhibiting academic scholarship, character, school and/or community service; priority given to a major in Italian or other foreign language, secondary priority for excelling in Italian or other foreign language throughout high school

**MARY CAROLYN WERTS WOOD CLASS OF 1951 MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP (established 2018)** One \$2,000 award for a SPFHS graduating senior exhibiting good academic effort, character, school and/or community service; priority given to a student enrolling in a two-year community college or Vo-tech program, secondary priority for a major in education

**PTA SPONSORED SCHOLARSHIPS (non-financial need):**

**BRUNNER PTA and DR. ALBERT DeSOUSA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS (established 1994, 2013)**

Two \$1,500 awards for graduating seniors who attended Brunner Elementary School

One \$1,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior who attended Brunner Elementary School, attending a technical or trade school, college or university; priority given to a student who received assistance at some point during their academic career from the Department of Special Services

**J. ACKERMAN COLES PTA: CAROL PATTEN MEMORIAL, MICHELLE CRISAFULLI MEMORIAL, LAURIE PRUSIK MEMORIAL, and BETH MULVANEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS (established 2012, 2018, 2019, 2021)**

One \$1,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior who attended Coles Elementary in 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> grade, minimum 3.0 GPA, priority given to a former student of Mrs. Patten and community volunteer and/or pursuing a 4-year degree in visual arts or education/child studies

One \$1,500 award for a graduating senior who attended Coles Elementary, exhibiting good academic effort, character, school and/or community service, priority given to a former student of Mrs. Crisafulli and/or pursuing a 4-year degree in education

One \$1,500 award for a graduating senior who attended Coles Elementary, exhibiting good academic effort, school and/or community service, a friend to everyone, demonstrating good character particularly in terms of being able to strongly connect with others in the community

One \$1,500 award for a graduating senior who attended Coles Elementary, exhibiting good academic effort, character, school and/or community service, priority given to a former student of Mrs. Mulvaney and/or majoring in math or another STEM field

**EVERGREEN PTA: DR. BEVERLEE KAMINETZKY, KEHS-AAKJER MEMORIAL, and MARY "CHICKIE" GIRAUD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS**

Two \$1,500 awards for graduating high school seniors receiving part of their education at Evergreen Elementary School

One \$1,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior who attended Evergreen Elementary School, attending a technical or trade school, college or university; priority given to a student who received assistance at some point during their academic career from the Department of Special Services

**McGINN PTA: MARIANA CASSIDY EXCELLENCE AWARDS (established 1995)**

Two \$1,500 awards for a graduating senior who attended McGinn Elementary School for a minimum of three years, demonstrating dedication to academic excellence and social service during high school

**NETTINGHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL PTA: McTB and DAVID CILIO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS (established 1993, 2021)**

One \$1,250 award for a graduating senior who attended Nettingham Middle School (formerly Park Middle School) for a minimum of three years, exhibiting motivation for academic success

One \$1,250 award for a graduating senior who attended Nettingham Middle School (formerly Park Middle School) for a minimum of three years, exhibiting an appreciation for discipline and a respect for their communities

**PTA COUNCIL: MANYA S. UNGAR, DR. CAROL B. CHOYE, and DR. MARGARET HAYES SCHOLARSHIPS (established 1969, 2007, 2019)**

Two \$1,500 awards for SPFHS graduating seniors

One \$1,500 award for a SPFHS graduating senior who spent majority of K-12 education in SPF school district, community service, priority given to teaching or education career

**SCHOOL ONE PTA: JAMES V. CERASA and JEFFREY GRYSKO SCHOLARSHIPS (established 1993, 2014)**

One \$2,000 award for a graduating senior who received the majority of their elementary education at School One Elementary School

One \$2,000 award for a graduating senior who received the majority of their elementary education at School One, striving for high academic achievement, a commitment toward citizenship, and demonstrating integrity, sincerity, loyalty and honesty

**SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD HIGH SCHOOL PTA: ROBERT ADAMS JR. and DR. TERRY K. RIEGEL SCHOLARSHIPS**

Two \$1,500 awards for SPFHS graduating seniors demonstrating school spirit through involvement or support of SPF High School activities

**TERRILL MIDDLE SCHOOL PTA: JOHN C. FOULKS SCHOLARSHIPS (established 1994)**

Two \$1,500 awards for graduating seniors who attended Terrill Middle School for a minimum of three years, exhibiting motivation for academic success





**SCOTCH PLAINS-FANWOOD  
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**APPLICANT INFORMATION** (Print clearly in **ink** or fill in online at [spfscholarshipfoundation.org](http://spfscholarshipfoundation.org))

Legal Name \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Gender Identification: Male \_\_\_\_\_ Female \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Education:**

Elementary \_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_ Middle School \_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_  
 High School \_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_ Year in College: Fr. \_\_\_\_\_ So. \_\_\_\_\_ Jr. \_\_\_\_\_

**High school applicants:** List all Colleges/Institutions to which you have applied in order of preference

Please select one: I will live on campus \_\_\_\_\_ I will commute to campus \_\_\_\_\_

**College applicants:** List only current school, major and 2023-2024 annual cost

| <u>College/Institution</u> | <u>Accepted</u> | <u>Pending</u> | <u>Annual Cost (tuition, room &amp; board)</u> |
|----------------------------|-----------------|----------------|------------------------------------------------|
| 1. _____                   | _____           | _____          | \$ _____                                       |
| 2. _____                   | _____           | _____          | \$ _____                                       |
| 3. _____                   | _____           | _____          | \$ _____                                       |
| 4. _____                   | _____           | _____          | \$ _____                                       |
| 5. _____                   | _____           | _____          | \$ _____                                       |
| 6. _____                   | _____           | _____          | \$ _____                                       |
| 7. _____                   | _____           | _____          | \$ _____                                       |
| 8. _____                   | _____           | _____          | \$ _____                                       |

Major \_\_\_\_\_ (Notify the Foundation with any change)

**Applicant's Paid Employment Record for previous 4 years (include self-employment):**

| <u>Company Name</u> | <u>Contact Name &amp; Information</u> | <u>Position(s) Held</u> | <u>Dates</u> | <u>Hours Per Week</u> |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| 1. _____            | _____                                 | _____                   | _____        | _____                 |
| 2. _____            | _____                                 | _____                   | _____        | _____                 |
| 3. _____            | _____                                 | _____                   | _____        | _____                 |



**FAMILY INFORMATION**

Parents/Legal Guardians:

|                  | <u>Father</u> | <u>Mother</u> | <u>Legal Guardian (if applicable)</u> |
|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| Name             | _____         | _____         | _____                                 |
| Marital Status   | _____         | _____         | _____                                 |
| Employer         | _____         | _____         | _____                                 |
| Occupation       | _____         | _____         | _____                                 |
| Current Position | _____         | _____         | _____                                 |

Please indicate if either parent is deceased: Father \_\_\_ year \_\_\_\_\_ Mother \_\_\_ year \_\_\_\_\_

With whom do you reside? Both Parents \_\_\_ Father \_\_\_ Mother \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_ specify: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you related to any of our scholarship donors? No \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ Scholarship Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Siblings:

Total number of children in the family \_\_\_\_\_

List all **dependent** brothers and sisters:

|    | <u>Name</u> | <u>Age</u> | <u>School/College</u> | <u>Grade/Year</u> |
|----|-------------|------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 1. | _____       |            |                       |                   |
| 2. | _____       |            |                       |                   |
| 3. | _____       |            |                       |                   |
| 4. | _____       |            |                       |                   |
| 5. | _____       |            |                       |                   |

Additional Dependents:

If other people depend on your parents for financial assistance, please provide:

|    | <u>Name</u> | <u>Relationship</u> | <u>Address</u> |
|----|-------------|---------------------|----------------|
| 1. | _____       |                     |                |
| 2. | _____       |                     |                |

**EDUCATIONAL FINANCING INFORMATION (must be submitted by ALL applicants)**

Plan for financing 2023-2024 academic year (Please use the cost of your first choice or current school):

| Contribution toward:                       | <u>Tuition, Room &amp; Board</u> | <u>Books &amp; Other Expenses</u> |
|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| <u>Applicant (self-help):</u> From Savings | \$ _____                         | \$ _____                          |
| From Earnings                              | \$ _____                         | \$ _____                          |
| <u>Parent/Guardian:</u> From Savings       | \$ _____                         |                                   |
| From Earnings                              | \$ _____                         |                                   |
| From Other Sources                         | \$ _____                         | Specify Sources: _____            |
| Total Tuition, Room & Board Contribution   | \$ _____                         |                                   |
| Additional Funds Needed (if any)           | \$ _____                         |                                   |

**(The total of Tuition, Room & Board plus Additional Funds Needed should equal the cost of your first choice/current school)**

Do you intend to file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)? \_\_\_\_\_

Will you accept a Guaranteed Student Loan? \_\_\_\_\_

List the name and amount of **ALL** scholarships applied for other than those administered by the Scholarship Foundation:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate the total dollar amount your parents/guardians have already contributed toward **YOUR** education (tuition, fees, room and board) and that of **ALL** siblings, including those no longer dependent. Do not include preschool or daycare expenses.

Total Educational Expenses \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**All applicants** - List financial aid packages already received for the **upcoming 2023-2024** academic year:

Name of school(s) granting financial aid: \_\_\_\_\_

Scholarships \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Student Loans \$ \_\_\_\_\_

College Grants \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Work Study \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**College applicants** - List all financial aid received for the **current 2022-2023** academic year:

Scholarships \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Student Loans \$ \_\_\_\_\_

College Grants \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Work Study \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Indicate the total dollar amount of all financial aid (including scholarships, grants, loans and work study) previously received by your family for **YOUR** post-high school education and that of **ALL** siblings, including those no longer dependent.

Total Financial Aid \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## INCOME INFORMATION

Students applying for Financial Need-based scholarships administered by the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Scholarship Foundation must complete the **Financial Need Verification Worksheet** (page 6) and provide income documentation. Income documentation includes, but is not limited to: copies of the first two pages of both parents'/legal guardians' 2021 or 2022 Federal Form 1040, W-2(s), 1099(s) and Schedule K-1 if applicable. If you received unemployment, please include your 1099-G Form. **All tax documents will be viewed solely by the Scholarship Foundation President and Screening Committee Chairperson for the purpose of verifying financial need.**

If the Financial Need Verification Worksheet and income documentation are **not** submitted along with the application, the applicant will **only** be eligible for Non-Financial Need-based scholarships.

All applicants must check **one** of the following application options:

\_\_\_\_\_ I am applying for **ALL** scholarships including both Financial Need and Non-Financial Need-based scholarships. **I am aware that the Financial Need Verification Worksheet must be completed and all applicable income documentation must be submitted to select this option.**

\_\_\_\_\_ I am applying for **ONLY** Non-Financial Need-based scholarships. **I am aware that submission of the Financial Need Verification Worksheet and income documentation is NOT required to select this option.**

## REFERENCE

Indicate the person from whom you will be requesting **ONE** letter of reference. Select an adult (excluding relatives) who knows you well and with whom you interact often, preferably from an academic, working or service environment.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

This person is my: Teacher \_\_\_\_ Professor \_\_\_\_ Employer \_\_\_\_ Coach \_\_\_\_ Club Advisor \_\_\_\_ Counselor \_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

**SPFHS Students ONLY** – Has the above individual submitted a letter of recommendation through Naviance? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, the Foundation will acquire the letter directly from the guidance department. If no, the reference must either directly email the letter to Teresa Carvalho at [tcarvalho@spfk12.org](mailto:tcarvalho@spfk12.org) under the subject 'SPF Scholarship Foundation Reference Letter' OR mail the letter directly to the Foundation.

## ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

I want to be considered for the following scholarships. **I am submitting the required additional essay(s) and/or letter(s) of recommendation which may be shared with scholarship donors.** Supplementary materials must be clearly marked with the applicant's full name and the scholarship name as a header in the top right-hand corner of each page.

Andrews \_\_\_\_ Dinizo \_\_\_\_ Franzone \_\_\_\_ Girl Scout \_\_\_\_ Kurek \_\_\_\_ Linge \_\_\_\_ Lyght \_\_\_\_ Metzger \_\_\_\_ Prusik \_\_\_\_

## SIGNATURES

The Screening Committee relies entirely upon the application and the materials requested in making their selections of scholarship recipients. **Notify the Foundation of any change in your college major, school and volunteer activities or family circumstances as soon as possible at [spfscholarshipfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:spfscholarshipfoundation@gmail.com).** You may be contacted regarding your financial aid package prior to final selections. Please be assured that all information will be kept in strictest confidence.

**A parent or guardian must sign the application to validate the accuracy of the information submitted. By signing this application, we certify that all the information reported is complete and correct.**

Applicant Signature (required) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian Signature (required) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_









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## TRANSCRIPT REQUEST

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*TRANSCRIPT RELEASE REQUEST FOR LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP BOOKLETS WILL BE PROCESSED ELECTRONICALLY THROUGH THE FOLLOWING LINK:*

*[Class of 2023 Transcript Release Request](#)*

*Deadline to request transcripts is FEBRUARY 7, 2023*

**\*\*\*ONLY ONE ELECTRONIC RELEASE of TRANSCRIPT REQUEST along with a ONE TIME PROCESSING FEE OF \$5.00 IS NEEDED FOR BOTH SCHOLARSHIP BOOKLETS\*\*\***

**Checks can be made out to SPF BOE and brought to the Counseling Office**

**Please note:**

- The electronic release serves as a transcript request for all scholarship organizations listed in the Local Scholarship booklet **AND** the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Scholarship Foundation booklet. There is a *one-time* processing fee of \$5.00. This \$5.00 fee includes **BOTH** the Local Scholarship booklet **AND** the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Scholarship Foundation booklet.
- Transcripts and SAT/ACT scores will be processed and forwarded directly to the Scholarship Chairperson(s). A counselor recommendation will also be forwarded, if required.
- **Please adhere to due dates.**



# THANK YOU!

As a non-profit volunteer-run community organization, the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Scholarship Foundation would like to acknowledge and thank all of the many people who have made it possible to award our Dollars for Students Scholarships to local high school graduates and current college students.

To all of the parents and local residents who responded to a Dollars for Students donation letter, made an online donation on our website, or dropped a donation in one of our Canning Drive cans, the \$21,000 in scholarships we awarded this past June is a direct result of your generosity. We sincerely thank you for supporting these college-bound students through your participation in our fundraising efforts!

## RESTAURANT WEEK

Our annual SPFSF Restaurant Week fundraiser was successful only because of the generous participation and additional donations of local restaurants. We want to thank not only the patrons of the restaurants, but we also want to thank the businesses who participated.

|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Darby Road             | Rocko's Ice Cream |
| Houdini Pizza Lab      | Soul Bowls        |
| Max's Pizza and Bistro | Stagehouse Tavern |
| Nick's Pizza           | The Urban Cone    |

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## SCHOLARSHIP SPONSORSHIP

In addition to our Dollars for Students scholarships, we are honored to administer numerous donor-funded scholarships which would not be possible without the generosity of the many individuals and community organizations found in this booklet. We are grateful for these valuable working relationships which enable us all to attain the goal of assisting local students and their families with the increasing cost of higher education.

Scholarship sponsorship is easy and a wonderful way to memorialize a loved one, honor a friend or simply help a student with the financial burden of a college education. Every award is an investment in the next generation with the return on that investment benefitting our community and communities around the globe. Scholarship sponsors can be individuals, groups or organizations and scholarships can be one-time or recurring awards. The amount awarded and the scholarship criteria are established by the sponsor.

Interested parties should contact Michelle Wyrwa, President at [spf scholarshipfoundation@gmail.com](mailto:spf scholarshipfoundation@gmail.com) with "Scholarship Inquiry" in the subject line.