

COUNSELING CENTER SENIOR SEGMENTS – LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS EDITION

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Included in this issue is our listing of some local awards and scholarships. An application is attached. Please follow the directions. TYPE or NEATLY PRINT directly on the form or retype on a computer and meet all deadlines.

A. INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATIONS FOR LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

1. There must be a SEPARATE “COVER SHEET FOR LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS” (*form attached*) for EACH scholarship to which you apply. For example, if you apply to seven scholarships you will have seven cover sheets, one attached to each. In addition, please check off all the scholarships to which you are applying on each cover sheet. **Be sure to pay attention to the required criteria for each scholarship so that the proper attachments are included.** The scholarship committees will not consider your application unless it includes all the necessary documentation. Make copies of the attached cover sheet or pick up additional copies in the Counseling Center. There is no limit to the number of scholarships for which you can apply, and it is recommended that you apply to many. The essay must be typed or neatly written.
2. Put ALL scholarships with cover sheets into ONE large manila envelope. Write your name and the name of the scholarships for which you are applying on the outside of the envelope and return it to the Counseling Center.
3. Scholarship numbers 13 through 20 require a supplemental application which is available on our website or in the Counseling Center.
4. **THE DEADLINE FOR ALL APPLICATIONS IS APRIL 1, 2024. NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO LET THE COUNSELING CENTER KNOW WHAT DOCUMENTS ARE NEEDED FOR EACH SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION (LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION, TRANSCRIPT, ETC.)

B. PARENT’S FINANCIAL STATEMENT – (for students applying for scholarships where financial need is considered)

1. Have your parents complete the FAFSA online. If you have already filed the FAFSA, you must submit a copy to the Counseling Center; OR return a copy of the Student Aid Report (SAR) that you received after filing the FAFSA; OR have your parents prepare a copy of the Federal Income Tax Form for 2023.
2. If both parents work and if they file separate tax forms, a copy from each parent will be required.
3. If your parents are divorced, a copy of the Federal Income Tax form will be required from each parent.
4. Include the award letter from your college which details any financial assistance you will receive. If such a letter is unavailable by April 1st, please bring it to the Counseling Center as soon as you receive it.
5. Place the completed financial information in a **separate sealed envelope**. On the outside, print your name and the words “**Financial Information**” and return it to the Counseling Center on or before **APRIL 1, 2024**.

FOR ANY NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIP, A SINGLE COPY OF YOUR FAFSA, 1040 FEDERAL TAX RETURN, OR STUDENT AID REPORT (SAR) MUST BE INCLUDED IN A SEPARATE SEALED ENVELOPE TO BE SEEN ONLY BY THE FINANCIAL ANALYST TO DETERMINE EACH STUDENT’S FINANCIAL NEED. IF YOU DO NOT SUPPLY FINANCIAL INFORMATION, YOU WILL STILL BE CONSIDERED FOR AN AWARD, BUT THE COMMITTEE WILL ASSUME THERE IS NO FINANCIAL NEED.

THE SCHOLARSHIPS

Several scholarships are being offered by community groups, the Teacher's Association, and private individuals. Some of the scholarships are one year in length and require you to demonstrate some financial need. All are open to seniors, including January graduates, who have demonstrated scholastic achievement and good character. The scholarships that have specific requirements are listed below and should be applied for using the attached cover sheet and supplementary application if applicable. Submit an essay for each scholarship, it is **VERY IMPORTANT** that you carefully review your spelling, grammar, and content. For those that require an activity resume, you can attach the one you created in Naviance. Letters of recommendation and transcripts are available in the Counseling Center upon request. **Remember, you must complete a separate cover sheet for each scholarship.** There is no limit to the number of scholarships for which a student can apply. The deadline for all applications is **APRIL 1, 2024**.

1. **ALFRED E. IVES, JR. (financial-based)** – This four-year scholarship is open to students who have a good scholastic average, 90 or over, and who have been active in the South Side community. Need aspects are considered/financial information required. Essay and transcript required.
2. **EDWARD AND SUSAN BRAVERMAN MEMORIAL** – This scholarship looks for good to excellent scholastic achievement combined with service to the school or community. Include what type of higher education you plan to pursue, your intended major, where you have applied and where you have been accepted. Also, include any unusual financial circumstances that lead you to need a scholarship and anything else that you believe would help the committee with its decision. Essay, transcript, and activity resume required.
3. **RVC FORTNIGHTLY WOMEN'S CLUB** – This \$1500 scholarship is for a student who best embodies the spirit of community service and a consistent effort toward a goal of enriching the lives of others. Please submit an essay stating what kind of higher education you intend to pursue, where you have applied/been accepted, your goals and interests, and any unusual financial circumstances that lead you to need a scholarship. Include transcript, activity resume, and one letter of recommendation – available upon request in the Counseling Center.
4. **GINA GIALLOMBARDO (financial-based)** – For students who have lost a family member to cancer or have a parent dealing with cancer; attach an essay on the subject. Student must indicate if pursuing a career in the medical field, and show good academics and community service. This scholarship is income-level-based. Essay and activity resume required.
5. **KARP VOLVO** – This scholarship is for a student who demonstrates scholastic achievement, community involvement, and extra-curricular activities. Essay and activity resume required.

6. **RAYMAR CHILDREN'S FUND SPIRIT OF GIVING (for former Covert students only)** – This scholarship requires an essay from a former Covert student describing how through the spirit of giving they learned at Covert has impacted their choices in high school and for the future. Transcript and activity resume required.
7. **RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION** – This scholarship is for students planning to pursue a career in teaching; must show evidence of volunteering in community/religious/political/school organizations; 90+ average. Attach an essay about teaching in the future, along with your transcript, activity resume, and counselor letter of recommendation.
8. **ROCKVILLE CENTRE TEACHERS ASSOCIATION** – For higher education, specifically for students entering a field working with children—teachers, doctors, social workers, psychologists, etc. An essay is required about your desire to work in one of these fields. Those seniors who apply for the RVCTA scholarship and then participate in the ASSESS program by developing a school-based internship will be eligible for additional scholarship monies. See your counselor for additional details.
9. **SEP COMMUNITY SERVICE** – An award for a student who has an excellent community service resume working with students with disabilities. No financial need is required. Essay and activity resume required.
10. **SOUTH SIDE HIGH SCHOOL PTA (financial-based)** – Multiple scholarships are available for any further education. Scholarships are awarded based on financial need, receipt of other awards, extra-curricular activities, weighted GPA, and character. No essay is required. **You must submit FAFSA documentation to be considered for this scholarship.** Transcript and activity resume required.
11. **SOUTH SIDE HIGH SCHOOL PTA CYCLONE** – This scholarship will be awarded to two applicants who best exemplify the spirit of South Side High School. Recipients will be chosen based on the relevance of the 300-word essay, “How have you contributed to, and/or learned from the South Side community?” Activity resume and character are also considered. Transcript required.
12. **SUSAN SATRIANO MEMORIAL FOUNDATION** – For students who have a parent fighting cancer, in remission, or a parent who has passed away from cancer. A monetary award will be given to every qualifying student who applies. This sponsor has requested a short meeting with each student and their school counselor. No application is necessary, please submit your name to your counselor.

****The following 8 scholarships require a supplemental application available in the Counseling Center and on our website. If you are applying for any of these, please list them on the local scholarship application.**

13. **KEN PRIBIL, JR. FOUNDATION** – This \$1000 scholarship is in memory of Ken Pribil, Jr., a SSHS graduate who lost his life to cancer at age 19. The foundation raises funds for cancer. Service to school and community are considered. Essay, transcript, activity resume, and supplemental application required.
14. **GARFINKEL FAMILY** – The Garfinkel Family is offering a scholarship in honor of Elliot Garfinkel and his 28 years of service to the South Side School District. Although not required, the Garfinkel Family will give special consideration to students who are pursuing a career in the areas of education, law, or as a first responder. Essay, transcript, and supplemental application required.
15. **ROCKVILLE CENTRE EDUCATION FOUNDATION** – This \$1000 scholarship is awarded to the senior who best demonstrates how he/she was academically enriched by an Education Foundation-sponsored program. Essay, project, video, etc., and supplemental application required.
www.rvcedfoundation.org
16. **ROCKVILLE CENTRE HISTORICAL SOCIETY** – This \$500 scholarship is for students who plan to study history in college. You must show an interest in history through school work or participation in a history-related activity outside of school. Essay, activity resume, and supplemental application required. Email application to rvhistoricalsociety@gmail.com
17. **ROCKVILLE CENTRE SPONSORS OF THE ARTS** - This scholarship is for students planning to attend college for performing arts, visual arts, or arts education. Please include two letters of recommendation and an essay on Why being creative, making art, or performing is important to you. *OR*: How would you use your passion for arts as a teacher? Supplemental application required.
18. **RYAN PATRICK O'SHEA FOUNDATION** – This foundation is awarding a \$500 scholarship to one male and a \$500 to one female student who demonstrates strong academics and extracurricular/personal activities. Essay on how the Sources of Strength Program has affected your life and what you plan to accomplish in college. Activity resume and supplemental application required. Email the application to rpo23foundation@gmail.com
19. **STEFANO CORDOVA, JR. MEMORIAL** – This scholarship is in memory of Stefano Cordova, a SSHS graduate and musician who lost his life at age 34. For a senior enrolled in music, involved in the musical theatre/musical arts program at SSHS for 4 years, and is in good academic standing. Funds are to be used for college or a reputable technical training institution in the music field. Preference for first-generation college students and/or those with financial need. Include an essay on why you would like to receive this scholarship. Supplemental application required.
20. **THE LARRY WAXMAN "ART CHANGES LIVES"** – This scholarship is for a senior who has participated in a SSHS class or program related to Collaborative Arts including Performing Arts, Media, Film & Television, Performance (Live or Screen Acting), Music & Dance, Directing, Playwriting & Screenwriting, Filmmaking, Technical Design & Execution (set, lighting, sound, costume) and the business of entertainment (production, stage management). Essay or project required. Supplemental application required. See application for further details.