

Name of Senior \_\_\_\_\_

## 2026 Local Scholarship Application

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Please read the attached Local Scholarship Criteria carefully and place a checkmark beside each scholarship listed below that you are applying to.

**\*\*Each required essay must have your name and the name of the scholarship at the top of the page, with only one scholarship essay per page. All requested information must be completed to be eligible for consideration.**

\_\_\_\_ **BRIAN SWIFT SCHOLARSHIP**

\_\_\_\_ **CARL AND DOROTHY WENTWORTH SCHOLARSHIP**

\_\_\_\_ **CHIEF RAY BURROWS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

\_\_\_\_ **EVELYN ROBBINS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

\_\_\_\_ **FREID/CARROLL ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY SCHOLARSHIP**

\_\_\_\_ **OLIVER SLEZAK SCHOLARSHIP**

\_\_\_\_ **OYSTER RIVER ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP**

\_\_\_\_ **OYSTER RIVER TEACHERS' GUILD SCHOLARSHIP**

\_\_\_\_ **PAUL BAMFORD SCHOLARSHIP**

\_\_\_\_ **PETER TODD HEUCHLING SCHOLARSHIP**

\_\_\_\_ **THE GREATER GOOD – OYSTER RIVER HOCKEY BOOSTER'S SCHOLARSHIP**

\_\_\_\_ **WENTWORTH-DOUGLASS HOSPITAL AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIP**

Please request that your ORHS transcript be added when submitting your application to the Counseling Office.

**Local Scholarship Application Deadline is Thursday, March 26, 2026, at 3:00 p.m.**

1. STUDENT'S FULL NAME \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name(s) of Parents/Guardians \_\_\_\_\_

3. Student Lives With \_\_\_\_\_

4. Home Address and Town \_\_\_\_\_

5. Name of Sibling \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_ School or College Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of Sibling \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Level \_\_\_\_\_ School or College Name: \_\_\_\_\_

6. List of institutions you have applied to and/or been accepted to:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
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7. Name(s) of scholarship(s) for which you have applied for and/or will receive: Amount

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

8. Please describe any unusual circumstances regarding your financial need that you feel the Evaluation Committee should be aware of:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

9. School/College you are most likely to attend \_\_\_\_\_

10. Intended Major \_\_\_\_\_

**11. College Costs:**

Tuition	\$ _____
Room	\$ _____
Board	\$ _____
Fees	\$ _____
Books/Supplies	\$ _____
Travel	\$ _____
<b>Total</b>	\$ _____

**Estimated Resources:**

From Family	\$ _____
Personal Savings	\$ _____
Summer Savings	\$ _____
Scholarships to Date	\$ _____
Grants	\$ _____
Other Resources	\$ _____
<b>Total</b>	\$ _____

**\*Parent/Guardian Signature - this document must be signed by your Parent or Guardian\***

I, \_\_\_\_\_, parent/guardian, grant permission to Oyster River High School to release all scholarship applications and academic records to either the Oyster River High School Scholarship Committee or any outside Scholarship Committee offering scholarships to which my child has applied. I also attest that the family's financial information is correct to the best of my knowledge. Failure to provide a signature will void the application.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

# LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CRITERIA

**The deadline for Scholarship Applications is Thursday, March 26, 2026, by 3:00 p.m.**

## Brian Swift Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship fund was established in Brian's memory and in recognition of all the good things done on his behalf. The criteria are meant to remind us of Brian's love of life, persistence in the face of adversity, and commitment to his school.

The scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior who is a scholar-athlete and college-bound. The award is in recognition of demonstrated interests and accomplishments in the classroom in consort with exceptional qualities of team play, leadership by example, and school spirit.

### **Requirements:**

Please submit a brief essay describing your contributions to team play, leadership by example, and school spirit.

## Carl and Dorothy Wentworth Scholarship

Dorothy and Carl Wentworth were long-time residents of Madbury, New Hampshire. They owned and operated Kingman Farm until 1961 and were deeply committed to the Madbury community. They established this scholarship to offer financial support to Madbury students who intend to pursue post-secondary education.

The Dorothy and Carl Wentworth Scholarship is awarded annually to graduating high school students. Although financial need is considered, eligibility is not based on a strict definition of financial need. The scholarship is intended to defray some portion of the costs associated with attending post-secondary programs.

### **Criteria:**

Eligible students must reside in Madbury, New Hampshire, be a graduating high school senior, submit financial data, and plan to attend an accredited college, university, or technical school in the Fall semester immediately following high school graduation.

### **Requirements:**

\*Please submit a brief essay outlining your post-secondary education and career goals.

\*Applicants must also include the following information in their application:

\*Address of residence in Madbury, New Hampshire

\*A copy of your FAFSA SAI (formerly EFC)

\*Name of the post-secondary school you plan to attend

\*The estimated cost to attend

\*Indicate if you are considering taking a gap year after high school graduation.

## Chief Ray Burrows Memorial Scholarship

The Durham Police Association is offering a scholarship to a graduating Senior at Oyster River High School which will be awarded based on career interest in law enforcement/human services, need, scholarship, and citizenship.

### **Requirements:**

Applicants are asked to write an essay of unspecified length that includes the job field they wish to enter, financial need, and comments about how this scholarship would help them meet their goals.

## Evelyn Robbins Memorial Scholarship

In memory of Evelyn Robbins, this scholarship recognizes a student with financial needs and academic achievement. Participation in one or more of the following sports is preferred: Varsity or Junior Varsity Baseball, Softball, or Tennis. Students must plan to attend a two- or four-year college or technical school/career center upon graduation.

### **Requirements:**

Please submit a short statement outlining your career goals.

## Freid/Carroll Environmental Sustainability Scholarship

Throughout the world, people who care about the future of our planet are making large and small changes that are bringing us closer to living sustainably. At ORHS, students learn about sustainability, and each year, some students find innovative ways to put the principles of sustainability into practice.

The Freid/Carroll Environmental Sustainability Scholarship is awarded to Oyster River High School Seniors who demonstrate leadership in environmental sustainability at Oyster River High School or in our greater community of Durham, Lee, Madbury, or Barrington, and/or have future aspirations in the environmental sustainability industry.

Scholarship recipients will have demonstrated their leadership and commitment to environmental sustainability through education, advocacy, volunteering, and/or raising awareness. We are excited to learn about the innovative initiatives and endeavors of this year's applicants. The scholarship is to be used toward the student's continued education.

### **Requirements:**

- \*Complete the attached application. (Last page of the Scholarship Packet.)
- \*Write a one-page statement describing the environmental sustainability projects you have been personally involved in during your years at Oyster River High School. Please describe the purpose of the program, the people (students, teachers, administrators) with whom you worked and what you did.

## Oliver Slezak Scholarship

Oliver Slezak simply loved the myriad of joys that life had to offer. He was a talented musician who enjoyed being creative through the outlet of his music and was also a free spirit who felt at home on a skateboard. Oliver was an exceptional writer - his work was witty, insightful, and mature. Oliver touched the hearts and minds of all who met him, and his legacy is exemplified in the immortal words of Rudyard Kipling, "If you can fill the unforgiving minute with 60 seconds worth of distance run, yours is the Earth and everything that's in it."

### **Selection Criteria:**

The applicant shall meet and/or exemplify the following attributes:

- \*Reside in the Oyster River School District for a minimum of five (5) years;
- \*Be a student in good standing with above-average grades;
- \*Reflect Oliver's humanitarian spirit and fun-loving sense of humor; and
- \*Display an interest in music by playing an instrument.

### **Requirements:**

Please submit a short statement outlining your career goals.

## Oyster River High School Alumni Association Scholarship

The Oyster River High School Alumni Association is **NOT** affiliated with Oyster River High School.

Applicants for the Oyster River High School Alumni Association Scholarship are to provide an essay which includes your passion and talent for organizing Oyster River class/school events. Please list extra-curricular activities and student government positions held during each year of high school.

### **Selection Criteria:**

- \*Must be planning to attend a 2- or 4-year college or trade school.
- \*Has demonstrated class leadership (position in student government or rep to school board, etc.)
- \*Is likely going to be involved in organizing future class reunions.
- \*Can envision joining the ORAA Board of Directors.
- \*Cannot be related to anyone on the ORAA Board of Directors.
- \*Applicants must provide their resume.

## Oyster River Teachers' Guild Scholarship

### **Requirements:**

Please submit a one-page essay on "What value does education have for me?".

## Paul Bamford Scholarship

The Paul Bamford Scholarship is established in honor of Paul Bamford, an ORHS graduate who lived his life giving back to the Durham, Seacoast, and global communities. Paul was an active volunteer; he helped raise donations for important local charities and medical research, as well as for international causes. He was a multi-sport athlete in high school, co-captain of the soccer and basketball teams, and supported local sports programs, both organizationally and by providing his coaching skills.

The scholarship will be awarded to a student who has demonstrated great academic promise and exhibited outstanding commitment to community service and volunteerism.

### **Requirements:**

\*Applicants for the Paul Bamford Scholarship should provide an essay including their community service and volunteer efforts, a description of these services, benefactors of the service they participated in with dates of their service, and why their service made a difference.

\*Applicants should also discuss their ideas about how they will continue to be active community participants in the future.

## Peter Todd Heuchling Scholarship

Peter "Todd" Heuchling was a standout multi-sport athlete at Oyster River High School who graduated with honors in 2002. His ambition as a young man was to attend the prestigious Military Academy at West Point, New York, and he was admitted to the Class of 2006. Todd will always be remembered for his dogged determination, his focus of mind, and his competitive spirit. Family and friends remember Todd for his loyalty, quiet sense of humor, zest for life, and uncanny ability to bring out the best in people.

### **Requirements:**

Please submit a one-half to one-page essay on **either** of the following topics:

\*"Duty, Honor, Country" – What does this mean to you?

\*Life is a series of challenges and lessons. What does INTEGRITY mean to you, how to define it, and how do you aspire to achieve it in your everyday life? Are there any individuals who have been examples of integrity in your life?

## The Greater Good – Oyster River Hockey Boosters Scholarship

The Oyster River Hockey Boosters are committed to helping hockey players become more aware of the importance of giving back and encouraging all players to become involved in programs that support this goal. Our scholarship was established to recognize the importance of giving back, volunteering, or striving to make the world a better place to live. This award will be presented to a graduating Boys and Girls Oyster River High School Hockey Senior who participated and meets the following criteria:

### **Criteria:**

\*Has been accepted to an accredited college, university, or technical school

\*Has a strong passion for helping others - demonstrated by previous work, as well as plans to continue on a path of giving back, either through career studies or extra-curricular activities.

### **Requirements:**

Submit an essay that highlights your passion for helping others through your actions. Please demonstrate that this is an ongoing part of your life, not just a one-time activity. Include how you plan to continue touching the lives of others after graduation.

## Wentworth-Douglass Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship

The Wentworth-Douglass Hospital Auxiliary Scholarship program was established in December 1998. This is one of seven scholarships to be awarded at area high schools to a graduating Senior who plans to pursue a career in a health-related field at an accredited two- or four-year college or technical school. The selection of a recipient will be based on academic merit.

### **Requirements:**

Please submit a short statement about your career goals in a health-related field.

# Freid/Carroll Environmental Sustainability Scholarship

Please complete the following application, attaching the one-page statement from Item Number 7 below, and submit both to the Oyster River High School Counseling Office by **Thursday, March 26, 2026, at 3:00 p.m.**

1. Student's name \_\_\_\_\_

2. Names of parents/guardians \_\_\_\_\_

3. Student's address \_\_\_\_\_

4. Student's phone number \_\_\_\_\_

5. Please list 2 teachers and 2 students as references:

Teachers: \_\_\_\_\_

Students: \_\_\_\_\_

6. List the Institution which you will be attending in the Fall of 2025:

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7. Please attach a one-page statement describing the environmental sustainability projects in which you have been personally involved during your years at Oyster River High School. Please describe the purpose of the program, the people (students, teachers, administrators) with whom you worked, and what you did.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

***If a student is under 18, a parent/guardian signature is required.***

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\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent /Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date