



Smithtown CSD Senior Scholarship Bulletin

January 2026

East Counseling Center – (631) 382-2750

West Counseling Center – (631) 382-3020

This bulletin contains scholarship information received by the Counseling Center. If you are interested in further information, visit the website noted or the Counseling Center. Review all information and take note of application dates and eligibility requirements. Be sure to obtain all school provided documents in advance of scholarship deadline dates as some deadlines may occur during school closures.

Copies of the bulletin are available in the Counseling Center, the Counseling Center Google Classroom and the high school website. Please be sure to check the bulletin each month for SHSE or SHSW specific scholarships. Access this bulletin online to print applications and link directly to websites. Applications can also be printed in the Counseling Center.

Unofficial Transcripts - To access electronically, please log in to the Parent Portal using your username and password. Once logged in click on the “Document Portfolio” link on the left side of the screen. Click on the “Unofficial Transcripts” tab on the top of the screen. Finally, select the transcript on the left side of the screen. Please note that only parent/guardian accounts can access the Document Portfolio.

Nominations - If it is indicated that a scholarship requires a nomination by Smithtown High School, students must submit their names for consideration to the Counseling Center prior to the nomination date.

Dante Foundation of Nassau County

DEADLINE: January 23, 2026

Criteria:

- At least one parent must be of Italian descent.
- Students who have achieved high standards in academics.
- Participated in extra-curricular activities.
- Scored above average on SAT/ACT exams (if taken).
- **NOMINATION SCHOLARSHIP** - Come to the Counseling Center with your resume and unofficial SAT/ACT scores for nomination consideration. If you have financial need or other personal factors you would like to share, please include that information along with your resume.

Joseph Cavanagh SR Backyard Pigskin Scholarship

DEADLINE: February 21, 2026

Criteria:

- Smithtown High School graduating senior.
- Have played Backyard Pigskin for at least two seasons.
- Have volunteered at least one season as a field helper.
- For application, [click here](#).

Smithtown High School EAST PTSA Community Service Scholarship

DEADLINE: March 1, 2026

Criteria:

- Smithtown HS **East** seniors who are active, well rounded and have participated in community service activities are encouraged to apply. This service can be through involvement in extra, co-curricular or community-involved activities done on a volunteer basis.
- Student must be a PTSA member and in good academic standing.
- For application and membership form visit: <http://shseastpts.com>

Smithtown High School WEST PTSA Community Service Scholarship

DEADLINE: March 6, 2026

Criteria:

- Smithtown HS **West** senior.
- Should exemplify the spirit of the SHSW PTSA through community service.
- Good academic standing, intending to further education after graduation.
- Must have joined the SHSW PTSA as a student member before March 1, 2026.
- For application, [click here](#).
- **Completed applications should be returned to the PTSA mailbox in the HSW main office.**

Daniel Distefano & Michael Western Memorial Scholarship (Remember Dan and Mike)

DEADLINE: March 10, 2026

Criteria:

- Smithtown High School graduating senior pursuing college in the fall.
- Applicant must respond to the following: In your estimation, what exemplifies good character, and how have you demonstrated this?
- Applications are available at: <http://www.rememberdanandmike.com/>.

James Shellock 617 Scholarship

DEADLINE: March 12, 2026

Criteria:

- Awarded to one student each from Smithtown HS East and Smithtown HS West.
- Seeking a career in the Emergency Medical Field such as: EMT, Paramedic, Fire Services, Nursing, PA, Pre Med or any career in the emergency medicine field.
- Acceptance to a two or four year college or vocational school.
- Minimum GPA of 2.75 or higher.
- For application, [click here](#)

Sara Long Harte Memorial Scholarship

DEADLINE: March 12, 2026

Criteria:

- Smithtown High School graduating senior.
- Applicant will be attending college to earn a degree in education.
- Must have volunteered for at least two different community service activities.
- For application, [click here](#).

Lori DeMonte Memorial Scholarship

DEADLINE: March 12, 2026

Criteria:

- Smithtown High School graduating senior.
- Must be pursuing a teaching degree.
- Applicant must demonstrate leadership qualities and participate in community service.
- Minimum 3.0 GPA.
- For application, [click here](#).

Lawzie Marigold Memorial Scholarship

DEADLINE: March 12, 2026

Criteria:

- Must be a female graduating senior in the Smithtown School District.
- Be accepted to a four year school with business aspirations.
- GPA of 3.0 or better.
- Possess leadership skills.
- For application, [click here](#).

Susan Satriano Memorial Scholarship

DEADLINE: March 13, 2026

Criteria:

- Smithtown High School graduating senior who will be attending college in the fall.
- Has a parent(s) presently battling cancer, in remission or unfortunately had a parent(s) succumb to the disease.
- For nomination consideration [click here](#) for SHS East and [click here](#) for SHS West.
If you have any questions, please come to the Counseling Center.

Power of the Pebble Scholarship - Greg W. Sill Foundation

DEADLINE: March 15, 2026

Criteria:

- Smithtown High School graduating senior
- Must be hard-working, curious, empathetic, conscientious and committed to their studies
- Demonstrates good character through involvement in the school community.
- Willingness to take the lessons learned from their high school career and put them to practical use as civically engaged and responsible citizens.
- For application, [click here](#)

Vincent D'Antoni-Richmond Memorial Scholarship

DEADLINE: March 15, 2026

Criteria:

- Graduating high school seniors from participating schools within the Town of Huntington and Smithtown.
- Applicant is invited to submit a thoughtful and original essay addressing one of the following specific social challenges: Mental health and emotional resilience, substance misuse and its impact on youth or environmental challenges
- For application, [click here](#)

Navy SEAL LT Michael P. Murphy Scholarship Award

DEADLINE: March 16, 2026

Criteria:

- Need based.
- Must have a 2.3 GPA or above.
- A student that plays either a school sport or a community based sports team.
- Students attending a military academy or receiving a full academic or sports scholarship are not eligible to apply for or receive this scholarship.
- For application and to apply, [click here](#) for Smithtown HS **East** and [click here](#) for Smithtown HS **West**.

Dr. Michael B. Walsh Excellence in Mathematics Award

DEADLINE: March 16, 2026

Criteria:

- Applicant will be pursuing a career in Mathematics and/or Science.
- Must have a GPA of 4.0 or higher in Mathematics.
- Community service is required (must include a resume).
- Provide an essay on why you are pursuing a course of study in Mathematics &/or Science.
- Additional consideration will be given to students who participate in the American Mathematics Competition (AMC) and/or the Long Island Math Fair.
- To apply, [click here](#) for Smithtown **East** or [click here](#) for Smithtown **West**.

Bernard Paley Memorial Scholarship

DEADLINE: March 16, 2026

Criteria:

- Smithtown Central School District graduating senior.
- Applicant will be pursuing a career in Journalism or Political Science.
- Must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Demonstrate a commitment to community service.
- Provide an essay on why you are pursuing a career in Journalism or Political Science.
- To apply, [click here](#) for Smithtown **East** or [click here](#) for Smithtown **West**

Ethan Murphy Memorial Scholarship

DEADLINE: March 18, 2026

Criteria:

- Smithtown HS East or West graduating senior.
- Demonstrated strength and determination to succeed under adverse circumstances while striving to maintain a positive attitude.
- Show acceptance to a four year college.
- Minimum 3.25 GPA.
- For application, [click here](#)

“Forge Forward” The Chase Turano Memorial Scholarship

DEADLINE: March 20, 2026

(Smithtown High School West FAST Program)

Criteria:

- Smithtown High School **WEST** senior currently attending the Wilson Tech Program.
- Good academic standing, intending to further education after graduation.
- For application, [click here](#).

Jacque “Jack” LaPrarie Memorial Scholarship

DEADLINE: March 20, 2026

Criteria:

- Smithtown High School graduating senior.
- Planning to attend a four year college.
- Plan to pursue a degree in Physical Education or Health Education.
- Minimum GPA of 3.0.
- To apply, [click here](#)

Smithtown Teachers Association Scholarship

DEADLINE: March 20, 2026

Criteria:

- Smithtown High School graduating senior.
- Applicant must be planning to attend one of the following: community college, trade or technical school, art school, or four year college or university.
- Applicant’s essay should reflect: a well balanced student in relation to their involvement with school and community; how the student utilized opportunities provided by the Smithtown School District and Smithtown community; that he/she possesses character traits such as responsibility, reliability, and integrity; as well as any special achievements the applicant would like the committee to consider.
- For application, [click here](#).

Trudy Rose Brody Memorial Scholarship

DEADLINE: March 23, 2026

Criteria:

- Awarded to one student each from Smithtown HS East and Smithtown HS West.
- Planning to pursue a career in Social Work or Psychology.
- Minimum 3.0 GPA and will be attending a four-year college.
- For more information and application visit <https://www.trudyrosebrody.com/scholarship>.
- Email the completed application package to: trudyrosebrody@gmail.com.

Howie Essenfeld Future Teachers Scholarship Fund

DEADLINE: March 24, 2026

Criteria:

- Smithtown CSD graduating senior.
- Must be attending college to earn a degree in education.
- For application, [click here](#)

Island Federal Credit Union Scholarship

DEADLINE: April 24, 2026

Criteria:

- High school senior who will be furthering their education next year.
- Must be a holder of an Island Federal checking account/debit card account at the time the entry is submitted.
- Scholarships will be awarded through a random drawing among all entry forms received.
- Scholarship Entry Forms are available on their website at islandfcu.com/scholarship or at any of Island's branches.

Adventureland's Helping Hands Foundation - The Vivian & Tony Gentile Scholarship Fund

DEADLINE: July 17, 2026

Criteria:

- Must be attending a college/university in New York as a full-time student in the fall of 2026.
- Various scholarships are available.
- For more information and to apply go to www.HelpingHandsLI.org

There are a number of scholarships and grants available via HESC. Please see below for a sample of the many opportunities available and visit this website for additional information: <https://www.hesc.ny.gov/pay-for-college/financial-aid/types-of-financial-aid.html#horizontalTab2>

NYS Excelsior Scholarship

- The Excelsior Scholarship, in combination with other student financial aid programs, allows students to attend a SUNY or CUNY college tuition-free. Applications must be filed online: <https://www.hesc.ny.gov/excelsior>.

NYS Enhanced Tuition Award (ETA)

- This program provides tuition awards to students who are New York State residents attending a participating private college located in New York State. Recipients receive funding through a combination of their TAP award, ETA award and a match from their private college. Applications must be filed online: <https://www.hesc.ny.gov/pay-for-college/financial-aid/types-of-financial-aid/nys-grants-scholarships-awards/enhanced-tuition-awards.html>.

NYS Math & Science Teaching Incentive Program

- Offered to encourage students to pursue careers as math and science teachers in secondary education (grades 7-12).

NYS Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant

- Provides grants to students in exchange for a completion of a service obligation teaching in a public or private elementary or secondary school that serves students from low-income families.

College Board BigFuture Scholarship Program

- College Board offers multiple scholarship opportunities throughout the college application process. Various deadlines apply throughout the year. For more information, please visit: <https://opportunity.collegeboard.org/?excmpid=vt-00248>

Additional Scholarship Resources:

www.fastweb.com

www.scholarships.com

www.collegeanswer.com

www.supercollege.com

www.collegexpress.com