North Reading Dollars for Scholars

- Instructions for Completing the Scholarship Application
- Important Information
 - Reading this guide will likely save students time as not all parts of the online application need to be completed if the student will only be using it to apply for one of the scholarships offered by the North Reading Dollars for Scholars (NR DFS).
 - Application open February 1st
 - Application must be submitted by April 1st
 - Students interested in applying can complete the required application at

northreading.dollarsforscholars.org

Setting Up an Account





Dollars for SCHOLARS[®]

The Scholarship America Dollars for Scholars Student	Parents				
Welcome to the Scholarship America Dollars for Scholars Student Center! Your profile here will allow you to match to and apply for scholarships managed by your local Dollars for Scholars offiliate		Parents: <u>Click Here to Log In</u>			
In order to be eligible for Dollars for Scholars scholars Dollars for Scholars affiliate serving your area. (<u>Click he</u> started.) We encourage you to go to the Students & Parents Scholars affiliate website for specific instructions on applying	School Officials School Officials: <u>Click Here to Log In</u> References				
If there's no Dollars for Scholars affiliate in your area, you w for Scholars scholarship. You can still create a profile to acc college guidance and application tips. We also encourage yo <u>and regional scholarships</u> managed by Scholarship America. If you have a profile, log in below. <u>Don't have an account ye</u> Didn't receive the login email? Click the gray support button	References: <u>Click Here to Log In</u>				
Student Login Email Address Password	To create an account, please	e click on this link.			

Welcome To Scholarship America Student Center

Thank you for your interest in Scholarship America-Dollars for Scholars scholarship programs. To create your account profile you need to provide us with some basic information and then you'll receive an email with your login information.

To get started, find your high school in the list below using the available filters and click the Choose This School button to the right of it.

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personal data. I hereky authorize Dollars for Scholars to review the information in my profile for the purpose of determining my eligibility for scholarships. I also understand and agree that Dollars for Scholars may transfer, store and process my profile data in any of its offices in conjunction with the selection process for a scholarship. I verify that I have read, understand, and agree to the guidelines for this program. By registering for an account, I consent to the statement above and to the guidelines for the Dollars for Scholars program, and I consent to receive relevant electronic communications from Scholarship America.	 Notice the "Submit" button here. Once the required items on this page have been completed, sure to click the "Submit" button. A temporary password will be sent to your email address.

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Completing the Application

Dollars for SCHOLARS[®]

Welcome, Michael Rosa

Your Chapter Matches click below to view their website MA0301 - North Reading Dollars for Scholars NA9999 - National Scholarships - DFS MA2357 - YES Dollars for Scholars

My Information

Your profile is 52% complete.

You still have an incomplete profile. You will reach 100% complete when all the starred (*) items in each section are complete, however you may still apply for scholarships with less than 100% complete. If you do not complete your profile, you may not qualify for all scholarships.

Work on Profile

To have a complete profile, the following supplementary information may be required. Request this information by going to the appropriate section of your profile. Current status of these pieces are:

<u>Financial Information</u> from Parent or Guardian: Not started <u>Transcript Information</u> from School Official: Not started <u>Recommendation</u> from Reference: Not started <u>Consent</u> from Parent or Guardian: Over 18; consent not required

My Opportunities

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Look here for announcements from your Chapter

Scholarship America Dream Award: Scholarship America's Dream Award is a renewable award to help current college students complete their education.

Enterprise Education Foundation Scholarship Program: Only the first 100 Applications will be considered for acceptance

Wells Fargo Veterans Emergency Grants: One-time awards to help veteran students face financial setbacks

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My Scholarship News

Look here for news from Scholarship America

Many community college grads continue to outearn B.A. holders a decade after graduation:Many

Click on this button ("Click here") to begin the scholarship application.



As you complete a page and click the "Save and Continue" button at the bottom of the page, you will progress through these task bars. As previously noted, only the items with a double asterisk (**) need to be completed to progress.

This guide provides a view of many of the pages accessed when progressing through the above task bars, but not all of them. However, please remember that unless specifically noted in this guide, items with a single asterisk (*) do not need to be completed when only applying to the scholarship offered by North Reading Dollars for Scholars.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: This website can be used to apply to the scholarships offered by the North Reading Dollars for Scholars (NR DFS) and can also be used to apply to other scholarships. When applying for the scholarship offered by the NR DFS, students only need to complete items with a double asterisk (**). With only one or two exceptions (noted in this guide), other items/tasks can be skipped/left blank if you plan to use this website to apply only to the scholarship offered by NR DFS. You can complete the required items/tasks and submit your application. After submitting your application for the NR DFS scholarship, if you wish to complete additional items/tasks in order to apply to additional scholarships, you should be able to do so.

This is a view of the "GPA" page. Notice there is a double asterisk (**) on this page. Current seniors should begin by indi-
cating "I have high school GPA information only" in the dropdown box. You should then report your unweighted G.P.A. for
the item "**Cumulative HS GPA." Report the unweighted GPA that will be (was) included on the GPA/Rank letter you will
receive (received) during February or March of your senior year. This letter will include your unweighted GPA as of the mid-
point of your senior year. If a student is completing this application and needs to submit it before he/she received his/her
"midpoint of senior year" GPA, he/she can use the unweighted GPA that he/she received via letter in late September/early
October. Remember that your unweighted GPA is on a 4.0 scale; therefore, all students should respond to the item "** Cu-
mulative HS GPA Scale" by entering "4.00."

Notice that neither "check box" is selected. Selecting the "check boxes" would change the information that can be included here. Your counselor will later be asked to verify/report both your unweighted and weighted GPA so you only need to report your unweighted GPA here.

GPA	uses Weighted GPAs, you would enter your weighted GPA and your school's weight			r school's weighted GPA sc
Class Rank	If your school used the same GPA scale for all grade levels, check the box that s			
Test Scores	used the same GPA scale for a	all grade levels.		
Activities	** GPA information available I have high school GPA information only			
Awards	My school uses weighted GPA	s	. □	Leave these unchecked.
Employment	My school used the same GPA levels	scale for all grade		
Documents	Grade 9 GPA 😌			
Parent/Guardian Info	Grade 9 GPA Scale			
Financial Info	Grade 10 GPA 😮			
Essavs	Grade 10 GPA Scale			
	Grade 11 GPA 😮			
References	Grade 11 GPA Scale			
Help	Grade 12 GPA 😮			
	Grade 12 GPA Scale			
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opportunities	Converted Cumulative HS GPA		3.22	

This is a view of the "Class Rank" page. You will notice that the items on this page only have a single asterisk, meaning you do not have to complete this section for the North Reading Dollars for Scholars scholarship. NR DFS does not use this information when reviewing applications. If a student wishes to include this information to apply to other scholarships, he/she should refer to the GPA/Rank letter he/she received at the beginning of the year, or if available at the time the student is completing this application, he/she should refer to the letter he/she received in February or March regarding his/her updated GPA/Rank. Remember, NRHS reports rank as a "percentile." Students would report rank as 2, 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 75 or 100%. Class size was included in the letter you received. The class size shown below is only an example.

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You must complete all the double starred (**) items in order to submit the form and you must complete all of the single starred (*) items to move your progress towards 100%. All other items are helpful in matching to scholarships, but optional.

Basic Info	* Does your school rank students?	Yes 🔻
Additional Info	* What system does your school use? 🤫	Percentile 🔻
Additional into	Ranking System If Other	
Schools	* Class Rank (Percentile) 💡	40 %
GPA	* Class Size	171
Class Rank	(

Ac	tivities			
M	y Information Basic Info Additional Info Schools GPA	Click the "Enter Activities Information" button to complete this section. Please list all school activities in which you have participated during the past 4 years (e.g. student government, music, sports, etc.) as well as all community activities in which you have participated without pay during the past 4 years (e.g., Red Cross, church work, etc.). <u>Make sure to include all of your activities</u> , as it may affect your eligibility for scholarships. * Activity Name * Activity Type Interact Club Community Service Activities view view view delt delete NR Dollars for Scholars Phone-a-thon Community Service Activities view view view delt delete		
	Class Rank Test Score Activities Awards Activity. W	ew of the "Activities" area. Include your extracurricular activities in this area. If you have volunteered Reading Dollars for Scholars (e.g., you participated in last year's phonathon) be sure to include that n here. When adding extracurricular activities you will be asked to provide several details about each /hen listing any volunteering you did for North Reading Dollars for Scholars, please use the following s a guide:		
	Activity Name: NR Dollars for Scholars Phonathon Activity Type: Volunteer Activities (choosing this will allow you to choose Dollars for Scholars for the next item) Activity: Dollars for Scholars Next, include the additional required information (indicated by a double asterisk **).			
	Dollars for SCHOLARS [®]	Welcome, Michael Rosa Your Chapter Matches click below to view their website MA0301 - North Reading Dollars for Scholars NA9999 - National Scholarships - DFS MA2357 - YES Dollars for Scholars		
	Parent/Guardian Info			
	My Information Basic Info	Because you are under 18, you must receive permission from a parent/guardian to complete the scholarship application process. Use the form below to enter information about your parent/guardian and then click the "request consent" button - this will send an email to your parent asking them to grant you permission to continue with the scholarship process.		
	Additional Info Schools	In the rare case that you are emancipated from your parents, you would not be required to have parental permission. If you believe that you qualify, Click here to see if you meet the criteria.		
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	Activities	Relation		
	Awards	* * Primary Parent Phone Number		
	Employment	* * Primary Parent Email Address		
	Documents			
	Parent/Guardian Info	Request consent from Parent/Guardian Save and Go To Dashboard T am legally emancipated		
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this is a view of the "Parent/Guardian into" area. An applicant under the age of 18 must respond to the items in this area so a parent/guardian can consent to him/her completing the scholarship application process. An email will be sent to a parent/guardian once the student has clicked the "Request Consent from Parent/Guardian" button. The parent/guardian will be able to grant the required consent by following the steps outlined in the email. When consent is required, applicants will not be able to submit their application until a parent/guardian has completed the "consent process." When completing the "consent process" parents/guardians will notice a "button" that will open an area that allows them to report financial information. While the awarding of the North Reading Dollars for Scholars scholarship is partly based on applicants' financial need, with only one exception (see next page), parents/ guardians **do not** have to list financial information in this area when the applicant is only applying to the NR DFS scholarship. However, students will have to include information about their Estimated Family Contribution (see next page) in the "Financial Info" area, if they wish to be considered for the scholarship offered by NR DFS. This is a view of the "Financial Info" area. You will notice a paragraph on this page that suggests that students applying for a scholarship offered by North Reading Dollars for Scholars should list the Estimated Family Contribution (EFC) they received on their Student Aid Report (SAR). The SAR is a document families receive after having completed and submitted the FAFSA. "Financial need" is one of the factors considered by NR DFS when awarding scholarships; therefore, **this item should be completed**, **whenever possible**, **despite it only having a single asterisk (*). If a family has decided not to file a FAFSA**, they should read on and take special note of the final paragraph in this area.

After entering the EFC, students should list the information requested in the box labeled "Parent Information" and then select the "Request Info from Parent" button. Parents will receive an email that allows them to create an account. Parents can then log in to their account and complete the requested financial information; **however**, it should be noted that they do not need to complete this information for the NR DFS scholarships (unless they did not file a FAFSA—please read on). The inclusion of the EFC (as noted above) suffices for the NR DFS scholarships. Parents can complete the financial information that is requested and this information may cause the student to be alerted to additional scholarship opportunities when he/she goes to the "My Scholarships" section of the website.

It should be noted that the steps of the student providing the requested information in the "Parent Information" box and selecting the "Request Info from Parent" button seem to be necessary. A student does not seem to be able to submit his/her application without completing these tasks. However, as noted above, parents do not have to supply the more detailed financial information that will be requested if their son/daughter is only using the site to apply for one of the NR DFS scholarships (unless they did not file a FAFSA—please read on). As noted on the previous page, a parent will have log in to his/her account to provide consent for any student under the age of 18 who plans to submit a scholarship application.

If you/your family have decided not to file a FAFSA, you should leave the "*FAFSA EFC" item blank. In these cases, it is recommended that a parent supply the financial information that is requested after the student completes the "Parent Information" area (shown below) and has selected the "Request Info from Parent" button. Remember, the parent will receive an email after the student selects the "Request Info from Parent" button.

	email with further instructions on completing this task.			
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Parent/Guardian Info	Relation			
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References/Transcripts				
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	I do not wish to include financial inform	ation		

My Scholarships

This is a view of the "Goals Essay" area. Please note that there is also an area for an "Unusual Circumstances Essay" North Reading Dollars for Scholars **does not require** either essay as part of the application for the scholarships it offers. Students **do not have to respond** to either of the essays included in these areas when using this website to apply to the scholarship offered by NR DFS. If a student decides to use the website to apply to other scholarships, he/she may have to respond to the essays or to a different essay that a particular scholarship requires.

As you will see in the image shown below, at the time of the creation of this guide, there is language that suggests North Reading Dollars for scholars "requests that you complete" these essays. However, we have confirmed with North Reading Dollars for Scholars that neither is essay is required for scholarships they offer.

Му	Information	North Reading Dollars for Scholars, YES Dollars for Scholars requests you complete the Goals and Aspirations Essay. Check your local Dollars for Scholars chapter instructions found in the "Students & Parents" section of their website to confirm length requirements. If no instructions
	Basic Info Additional Info Schools	are provided, there is no length requirement. Please describe your plans as they relate to your educational and career objectives and future goals.
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	Employment Documents	Save and Continue Save and Go To Dashboard
	Parent/Guardian Info Financial Info	
	Goals Essay Unusual Circumstances Essay	
	Transcripts References	

	Basic Info	Transcript Request			
	Additional Info	North Reading Dollars for Scholars, YES Dollars for Scholars request(s) you provide			
	Schools	transcripts.			
1	GPA	Scholarships require the submission of a school transcript or at least verification by a school			
1	Class Rank	official. For High School transcripts, enter the name and contact information of the school official			
	Test Scores	who verifies your academic record, such as a guidance counselor or registrar. Once you are			
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	Employment	Transcript Information from school official: Not started			
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	Financial Info	Please note: If you want to include additional transcripts from previous schools, please upload			
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1	Help				
In t	In the "Transcripts" area, students must "Add School Official Information" by selecting the button indicated.				
Add your counselor's email address and he/she will receive an email stating that you are applying for this schol-					
arship and he/she will be able to verify such information as your G.P.A. This step is required.					
C οι	Counselor info: Ashley Attura, John Giuliotti, Michael Rosa, Ann Tiberii				

Emails—aattura, jgiuliotti, mrosa or atiberii @nrpsk12.org Phone—978-664-7800

The "References Area" allows students to request that a letter of recommendation be submitted on their behalf. However, students <u>do not</u> need a recommendation when applying to a scholarship offered by North Reading Dollars for Scholars. Letters of recommendation are **not** used as part of the application review process by North Reading Dollars for Scholars. If you only plan to use this website to apply for one of the scholarships offered by the NR DFS, please <u>do not</u> make a request for a reference. However, if you later decide to use this website to apply for a different scholarship and that scholarship requires a letter of recommendation, you can return to this area to "Add Reference Information" at that time.

At the time of the creation of this guide, there is language in the "References Area" that suggests North Reading Dollars for Scholars "requests that you provide references." However, we have confirmed with North Reading Dollars for Scholars that they do not require any letters of reference.



After completing the above-step, students should notice that the North Reading Dollars for Scholars—(current year) (see yellow arrow) appears in the "My Scholarships" area. If it does not appear, please click out of and then back into the "My Scholarships" area. North Reading Dollars for Scholars (current year) should now appear. Students will need to select the "Questions" button next to the North Reading Dollars for Schools "current year" (it will have red lettering initially). Upon doing so, the student will be asked to list the college he/she will be attending. This step is required. If the student is not sure which college he/she will be attending at the time he/she is completing the scholarship application, he/she can list the college he/she is likely to attend if admitted or the college toward which he/she is "leaning" at the current time. If the student ends up choosing a different college to attend, he/she can contact NR DFS to inform them of the change. The student then must select the "Save" button. The "Questions" button should turn from "red lettering" to "blue lettering' indicating the task has been completed. Just to the right of the "Questions" button the "Apply" button should appear. **Students must select this button to submit their application. If the "Submit App" button does not appear, the student should select "Verify Eligibility for All Scholarships" (see blue arrow) and respond to any questions listed. Doing so, should cause the "Apply" button to appear. Students should then select this button to submit their application**.

You may notice information on this page (in red) about parents needing to submit financial information so that the student can be matched to certain scholarships. Students can submit their applications without parents having submitted the referenced financial information. See the section of this guide that refers to "Financial Info" for details.

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Additional Scholarship Opportunities

As previously mentioned, students can use this website to apply to additional scholarships if they would like. Note below (see arrow) how the website lists other scholarships this student might qualify for based on the information that the student has included in his/her profile. By clicking on a scholarship opportunity listed in this area, a student can learn more about it.

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