

DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS – FAIRPORT-PERINTON CHAPTER Scholarship Descriptions

The Dollars for Scholars Scholarship is divided into three different types of scholarships.

- **2025 CHAPTER AWARDS** – Awards (including the Dr. Richard T. Rohrer Memorial Award and the Hadley Jewell Memorial Award) for \$1000 will be given in this category. These awards are made possible by community contributions to the Fairport-Perinton Dollars for Scholars General Fund. **All students who reside in the Fairport School District, regardless of which high school they attend, are eligible to compete for these awards.**
- **2025 UNRESTRICTED AWARDS** – **All students who reside in the Fairport School District, regardless of which high school they attend, are eligible to compete for these awards.** To be considered for these awards, the specific required information/documentation must be included with your application.
- **2025 RESTRICTED AWARDS** – **Only students who attend Fairport High School are eligible to compete for these awards.** To be considered for these awards, the specific required information/documentation must be included with your application.

Students wishing to apply for any of the scholarships listed must apply online at Fairport-Perinton.dollarsforscholars.org. Students must use the step-by-step Power Point instructions to complete the application. The application will take time to complete. You CANNOT wait until the last minute!

Online Application Deadline: **Thursday, February 6, 2025 (11:59pm EST)**

2025 UNRESTRICTED AWARDS *(all students eligible)*

Name of Award	Amount	Restrictions
American Legion Brooks-Shepard Post 765	\$500	Applicant must be related to a veteran who is a former or current member of Brooks-Shepard Post 765. Veteran can be living or deceased. Please provide name of veteran and your relationship. Second preference given to member of Brooks Shepard baseball team or to a member of Boy Scout Troop 207 or 208 who participated with our post in decorating the Mt. Pleasant Cemetery for Memorial Day.
Bill Gorenflo, Jr. Memorial Scholarship	\$500	Submit an essay that describes what a good citizen is and how you demonstrate those characteristics. Include by specific examples, how your good deeds have affected you and the person who was the recipient of the deed. This recipient can be family, friends, community member, or stranger
Canandaigua National Bank and Trust Community Scholarship	\$1000	Applicants must have overall GPA of 87 (B+) and must have volunteered in some capacity in their respective community.
Donna Yawman/Fairport Industrial Development Agency Memorial Scholarship	\$1000	Applicant must have performed a minimum of 10 hours of community service within the Village within the last 12 months. Beneficiary letter / recommendation acknowledging the community service must be submitted. Also, submit short essay. Title: <i>How community service and leadership experiences have taught me to be a more compassionate leader in the Fairport Community.</i>

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Fairport Fire Fighters Memorial Scholarship	2 @ \$500	Submit a brief one-page essay. Title: <i>My ongoing commitment/ involvement to community service and how I anticipate it being a continuing part of my life.</i>
Fairport Little League (Richard R. Schoolmaster, male and Clyde Hawley, female Awards)	4 @ \$250	Submit short essay with application. Title: <i>What Little League Meant to Me.</i> Provide brief summary of participation in Fairport Little League programs (include dates).
Fairport Music Festival Scholarship	2 @ \$500	Submit short essay. Title: <i>What is important to me about volunteering for an event to benefit the community where I live.</i>
Fairport-Perinton Chamber of Commerce	\$500	Applicant plans to pursue a career in business.
Fairport-Perinton Merchants' Association	\$1000	Applicant plans to pursue a career in business. The Fairport-Perinton Merchants' Association Inc. (FPMA) is a non-profit organization of retail merchants, service businesses, and community organizations located in the Village of Fairport and the Town of Perinton. Our activities include supporting the community and its residents through civic endeavors and the volunteer efforts of our membership. Submit short essay: <i>Describe a way in which you've observed our community working together for good and how, as a potential business owner, you could impact the effort.</i>
Knights of Columbus, Michael A. Zalone Memorial Scholarship	\$500	Applicant must be a member of Resurrection, Assumption, or St. John of Rochester churches. The core principles of the Knights of Columbus are charity, unity, fraternity, and patriotism. Submit short essay giving examples of how you exhibit these qualities.
Mary J. Morin Memorial Scholarship	\$500	First preference given to an applicant who plans to study a Pre-Vet course and pursue a career as a Vet or Vet Tech. Second preference given to an applicant who plans to pursue a career in nursing.
Perinton Concert Band	\$300	Applicant must be a non-music major who plans to continue playing an instrument as an avocation while in college and beyond.
R. Clinton Emery Memorial Scholarship (by Fairport Rotary Club)	\$1000	Applicant must submit essay: <i>In the next few years (10~20) how I personally plan on exemplifying the Rotary motto, "Service Above Self."</i>
Warren B. Knapp Memorial Scholarship (by Fairport Rotary Club)	\$1000	Applicant must submit essay: <i>In the next few years (10~20), how I personally plan on exemplifying the Rotary motto, "Service Above Self."</i>
The Corner Bookstore – Friends of Fairport Public Library	4 @ \$1000	Applicant must submit an essay pertaining to either your favorite children's book or a favorite memory of sharing a book with someone.
The Extra Effort Scholarship	2 @ \$500	The extra effort scholarship is in recognition of a student who is practicing the principles of being proactive and inclusive, in this case by reaching out to a mentor (adult, peer, other, but not a family member) to help you meet a challenge, solve a problem, or improve your academic performance. Submit a short essay explaining how you were proactive and inclusive in obtaining assistance and how you were helped.

2025 RESTRICTED AWARDS *(only FHS students eligible)*

Name of Award	Amount	Restrictions
Bailey Goodman Memorial Scholarship	\$500	Required activity resume should include verifiable involvement in one or more school activities, volunteer community service, part-time employment, and displays of school spirit. GPA 90+. Recommendation letter should address that applicant engages well with peers and staff and is confident and friendly. Submit essay, answering the following question: <i>While Bailey loved her time at FHS, she was also looking forward to starting college and leaving behind many of the stereotypes, preconceived notions and activities that defined her. As you enter college, what will you be glad to leave behind and who do you look forward to becoming?</i>
Betty Schirmuhly Memorial Scholarship	\$2000	Applicant plans to obtain a degree in a health-related field. Preference will be given to students entering a nursing program. Submit essay. Title: <i>As you pursue a health-related career, who/what has influenced this decision and how has your education at FHS impacted this decision?</i>
DFS Chapter Award	#TBD @ \$1000	In 250 words, or less, tell us something unique about yourself or your circumstances and why you should receive a DFS Chapter Scholarship.
DFS Chapter Award+	\$1000	In a short essay tell us something unique about yourself and how your family's financial status has affected your life.
Mister Greene Scholarship	\$250	Applicant must have attended Jefferson Avenue School. Submit essay: <i>How I have exemplified the motto, "Work hard, learn a lot, have fun, and be kind/good!"</i>
Junior Red Raider Youth Wrestling Scholarship	\$1250	Applicant must have two years of wrestling with the Fairport Junior Red Raider Wrestling Program and have wrestled throughout high school on the Fairport High School team. Submit essay titled: <i>How the sport of wrestling has prepared me for life after high school.</i>
Jean Haynes Nursing Memorial Scholarship	\$1000	Applicant must have already been accepted into a nursing program.
Raiders for Social Justice	4 @ \$3000	Applicant must submit essay. Title: <i>Describe why social justice issues (such as race, gender, ethnicity, religion, sexual orientation, family life, economic status, or any other factor) are important to you, how these issues have impacted your life or specific ways you have or would like to affect positive change.</i>
Amiel J. Mokhiber, Sr. Memorial Scholarship	2 @ \$2500	<i>Amiel's the Original Submarine</i> is looking to celebrate young individuals who have embraced their life challenges and uplifted themselves by exhibiting a strong work ethic, integrity, and persistence through adversity. Submit essay describing <i>1. how your work experience through high school has helped you achieve success and growth within your life , and 2. how the mantra of "never give up!" applies to your journey.</i>
Color Fairport Green Scholarship	2 @ \$100	Scholarship will be awarded to an active member of the FHS Environmental Club. Must submit confirmation of level of participation from Environmental Club advisor.

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Donna M. Yawman Memorial Scholarship	\$3500	<p>Preference (but not mandate) will be given to females and first-generation students. Please submit statements that pertain to at least two of the three criteria below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) A demonstrated interest in leadership within the community and/or becoming a catalyst for social change in the community. 2) A demonstrated commitment to spiritual values and integrity. 3) An active appreciation and respect for diversity and advancing career opportunities and responsibilities for women and minorities. <p>*Make special note if you are a first-generation student.</p>
Fairport Hockey Scholarship	\$500	Applicant must be a senior Fairport Varsity Hockey player and must be involved in community service. Current GPA 85+. Must have had consistent improvement throughout high school academic career.
Fairport Softball Booster Club Scholarship	2 @ \$500	Applicant must be a senior varsity softball player. Player's parent must be a softball booster club member for three years. Submit one-page essay. Title: <i>How playing for Fairport Softball has influenced my life.</i>
Fairport Youth Lacrosse Scholarship (One male and one female)	2 @ \$500	Applicant must have participated in Fairport Youth Lacrosse (grades K-6) for at least 2 years and be graduating as a player in the FHS lacrosse program. Submit short essay titled: <i>The impact that lacrosse has had on my life.</i>
FHS Drama Booster Scholarship	\$500	Applicant plans to continue education in an accredited theater arts program and must have been involved in at least three theater/drama productions during grades 9-12. Applicant must submit: (1) Maximum 500-word essay titled, <i>Why am I involved in theater?</i> (2) Activity resume must reflect performing arts related activities. (3) Letter of recommendation from a performing arts instructor of whom he/she has been a pupil.
Frank Camiola Memorial Scholarship	\$250	Applicant must fit into at least one of these categories: major in Education, major in Science, be a member of the bowling team, or be involved in Yearbook.
Get-It-Straight Orthodontics	\$500	Applicant must be a current or former patient of Get-It-Straight Orthodontics who underwent complete orthodontic treatment (braces with maintenance retainers) in their Greece, Pittsford, Palmyra, or Gananda location. Applicant must demonstrate a strong commitment to community service. Submit a 300-word essay. Title: <i>My contribution to society and how it has impacted my life.</i>
Matt Parry Memorial Scholarship	\$1000	<p>"The Road Less Traveled"</p> <p>During Matt's school years his one true passion was chess, but he was always reluctant to acknowledge that interest except to family and his closest friends. Submit essay answering this question - <i>What unusual interest and passion do you have that may or may not be known by your larger community?</i></p>

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Perseverance Prize	2 @ \$500	Applicant must have demonstrated a degree of self-reliance, maturity, and an ability to persevere despite life challenges. Submit one page essay. Title: <i>Describe your life challenges and how you have persevered.</i>
Katie Harper Memorial Scholarship FEMALES ONLY	\$2500	Applicant has demonstrated a commitment to a sport team and/or music program, commitment to others through volunteering, and has fostered school or team spirit. Submit essay (2-page limit) describing your qualifications and answering the following questions: <i>What do you value most in your life? How do your activities reflect these values? How do your future plans build on these values?</i> Submit letter of recommendation from coach or music teacher.
Kyle Burkey Memorial Scholarship	2 @ \$2000	Applicant must have been active in a FHS Music Program or performing arts, as well as a Varsity sports team. GPA 90+ Submit short essay: <i>Reflect on the importance of friendship and share a personal story that illustrates the impact of supporting a friend in need.</i>
Leonard and Josephine Yates Memorial Scholarship	\$30 (approx.)	This scholarship was established by a friend of the Yates family. The interest earned on the Yates Endowment Fund is given annually to an FHS student who demonstrates virtues of patriotism and citizenship. Submit one page essay with application answering the following question: <i>What do patriotism and citizenship mean to me and how are they reflected in my interests, activities, or intended career?</i>
Patricia Remington Memorial Scholarship	2 @ \$1000	FHS senior who has/had an I.E.P. and received resource room services in middle and/or high school. Must provide one letter of recommendation from a RESOURCE room teacher who has had applicant as a student. Student should be pursuing post-secondary education
Fairport Retired Educators Association Scholarship	\$500	FHS Senior pursuing post-secondary education. Include a short essay in which you explain a challenge you have overcome during your academic career.
Pete Georger Memorial Scholarship	\$2000	Applicant must have participated in varsity sports and been active in the Fairport-Perinton community (i.e. clubs, local foundations, community service projects etc.). Minimum GPA 3.0. Submit short essay. Title: <i>How I have been active in the Fairport-Perinton community.</i>
Peter Granger Memorial Scholarship	3 @ \$800	Applicant has been an FHS baseball player who has been a good role model for others, a good citizen who has exhibited great Fairport Spirit. Coach Granger was the FHS head varsity coach for 11 years. He took pride in teaching his players the valuable lessons that can be learned through participating in sports. Submit essay: <i>The impact the Fairport Baseball program has had on my life.</i>
Ray Nupp Memorial Scholarship	2 @ \$1000	Applicant must be interested in engineering or real-life problem-solving skills. Submit a short essay describing your interest.
Richie Carlston Memorial Scholarship	\$1000	Applicant must have demonstrated a commitment to a sports team and have been active in the community. Submit essay. Title: <i>How I plan to enjoy every moment to its fullest extent.</i> GPA 89.5+

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Sandra Fogg Robinson Memorial Scholarship	~ \$500	Applicant has demonstrated a proficiency in high school English courses. Submit letter of recommendation from a high school English teacher.
Sara Monnat Memorial Scholarship	\$1000	Applicant plans to pursue a major in graphic arts, fashion design, marketing, or advertising related field. Submit essay answering the following questions: <i>Why are you interested in your chosen field and what are your future goals?</i> (500 words max)
Sean May Memorial Scholarship	\$1000	Applicant must be involved with theatrical production (cast or crew) in grades 10-12 during a year in which a varsity athletic letter was awarded. Submit essay: <i>How my involvement in both sports and theater affected my high school experience.</i> Attach two letters of recommendation, one from applicant's varsity coach and the second from an adult drama/theatre advisor.
The Five Fairport Angels Memorial Scholarship	\$2500	The Five Fairport Angels were very involved in the Fairport community and had great pride in their hometown and high school. Write an essay reflecting on your life in Fairport. Discuss how the Fairport community has impacted your life and contributed to the person you are today. What will you take with you upon graduation from Fairport High School? (maximum 3 double spaced pages)
The May Prize	\$1000	Awarded to student who has made the most of his/ her abilities and circumstances during high school. Two (2) letters of recommendation: one from counselor, the other from a teacher, coach, supervisor, clergy, etc. stating how that person knows you. Submit essay with applications. Title: <i>How my experiences and achievements in Fairport Schools (academic and otherwise) have been affected by a unique circumstance.</i>
Thomas Parsons Memorial Scholarship	\$1000	Submit essay with application. Title: <i>How I Have Made a Difference</i>
Gilmore Women in Business Scholarship	\$1000	Applicant plans to pursue a career in business. Submit a brief one-page essay describing the unique skills you hope to bring to the business field, and how you will encourage inclusivity in your own career.
Eagle Wings of Service Scholarship	\$1500	Applicant must submit short essay with application. Title: <i>How I overcame a hardship or challenge.</i>
Dick Hastings Memorial Scholarship	\$1000	Dick was passionate about the Asset Initiative, a community and school partnership to promote the healthy development of youth. He was a lifelong believer in the power of education to improve lives and inspire lasting change. Applicant must be pursuing a degree in engineering. Submit an essay that describes how you have consistently demonstrated care values - such as civility, awareness, and personal investment excellence throughout high school.

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Barbara Scarsella Heffernan Memorial Scholarship	4 @ \$250	<p>Barbara Heffernan was an enthusiastic, creative, and caring English teacher who believed in excellence and continual learning. Her curiosity and sense of adventure led her on travels throughout the world, where she often encouraged complete strangers to share their stories in print. An avid reader of history and poetry, she loved nature, her family and friends, the color blue, interior decorating, and chocolate.</p> <p>Submit essay explaining how this award will help you and if you were to give an important speech or TED talk, about what would it be?</p>
The American Association of University Women (AAUW) Fairport Area Branch Scholarship FEMALES ONLY	\$1000	<p>Applicant must be a young woman who has demonstrated leadership skills. Submit an extra letter of recommendation from an adult who can attest to the leadership skills of the applicant. Submit essay. Title: <i>My leadership experiences during high school</i>. Essay should include how you expect to expand and employ those leadership skills during your college career and beyond.</p>
Officer Anthony Mazurkiewicz Memorial Scholarship	2 @ \$1000	<p>Applicant plans to pursue a career in Law Enforcement. Submit essay. Title: <i>Why I am interested in pursuing a career in law enforcement</i>.</p>
From Fairport to the Future Scholarship TBD	\$1500	<p>This scholarship is based in a spirit of entrepreneurship, civic engagement, and sustainability in memoriam of our father Bharat Sahay. Scholarship will be awarded to someone who understands the importance of our democracy and respect for differing viewpoints. Submit 1000-word essay describing a situation where you did something outside of your comfort zone in an effort to promote a cause you believe in (i.e. Sustainability, civic engagement, democracy). Describe what cause you supported and how, why you did it, why it is important to you, and how you would like to continue supporting the cause through higher education in the future.</p> <p>Priority may given to students who have been involved in activities relating to science, math, the environment, and/or community service. Please state your involvement in any of these at the end of your essay.</p>
Kendra Marie Nelson Memorial Scholarship	\$1000	<p>Applicant plans to major in Education, Child Life, or a related field working with children. Submit essay describing what life experiences you have had that make you want to focus on working with children. Also, what are your goals related to helping improve children's lives?</p>
Barbara Teachman Educator Scholarship	\$1000	<p>Applicant plans to become a K-12 educator or some related field. Submit essay. Title: <i>Why I am planning to enter the field of K-12 education or my related field</i>.</p>

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Scot Neisel Memorial Scholarship	TBD	Applicant must be a current member of the girls' or boys varsity lacrosse team, must be in good academic standing and planning to attend a 2 or 4 year college or university, must have demonstrated a team first mentality with participation in lacrosse, and must have spent time/energy serving the Fairport/Perinton community. Submit short 250-word essay embodying these items: <i>What impact has Fairport Lacrosse had on your life, how have you contributed to the community, and describe a significant achievement that you are most proud of explaining how it will help you be successful in the future.</i> You must also submit statement from your lacrosse coach commenting on your team-first mentality.
Mark Muench Memorial Scholarship	\$1000	We invite you to apply for the Mark Muench Memorial Scholarship and honor his legacy by continuing the tradition of community service and leadership that Mark so deeply valued. Applicant must submit essay explaining how you embody the values of community service and leadership. Give specific examples.
Craig Sherbinski Memorial Scholarship	2 @ \$2500	Criteria: FHS senior athlete who embodies, through his or her actions, the characteristics of an admirable friend. Submit essay: Describe the attributes of friendship. Discuss an example in which either you or a friend benefitted from the friendship of another based on the attributes you described. Analyze the way this experience has/or will affect you in future situations. What lesson(s) did you learn and how will this experience impact you in the future?