**The Taconic Hills Dollars for Scholars 2024 Application process is**
**January 15-March 1, 2024**

Dear Parents/Guardians and Graduating Seniors,

College Expenses are going up! Do you need help with Tuition? Expenses such as Books and Mandatory Fees? They are expensive! College will cost $$$$. We are a community organization run by volunteers and not affiliated with the school. We are here to simply help!

**Scholarships are for 2 or 4 year colleges and trade schools. If a student needs further education, of whatever sort, to meet their goals, we are here to help!**

Last year we awarded $103,250 to 41 students. These Scholarships are available for everyone and that includes you!

**We encourage ALL graduating Seniors to apply.** We not only consider academics, but other information such as work, volunteerism, school and community activities, unusual circumstances that a student has dealt with, academic and community references, an essay and financial need. We also have Scholarships for students who are the first ones in their family to go to college or trade school.

**How to apply?** One part is done online, and one part is done on paper. **It is VERY important to read and follow the directions.**

Starting January 15, go to the **Student/Parent page** at **taconichills.dollarsforscholars.org** to download instructions, reference forms, and to enter the Application Portal. Paper directions and reference forms will also be available in the High School Office. The application process will end **March 1**. References and the Essay (done on paper) need to be put, **by the student**, into the **locked box in HS Office/Guidance area by 4pm on March 1**. Online information and submission must be done by **midnight of March 1**. To be fair late information is NOT accepted. **(The student is responsible for placing the references and essay into the locked box.)**

To receive a Scholarship, you must do a THDFS Activity. Follow us on our Facebook and Instagram pages so you don’t miss an opportunity. (You may apply without having met this criterion, but the Scholarship will not be paid out until it is met.) You may check with Mrs. Jessica Jause to verify if you have met the criteria.

We will be happy to help via Zoom or by email any student or parent with questions. Don’t hesitate to ask for help with the application. We can find a solution to most any situation!

**Don’t wait! The only thing we cannot help is a late or incomplete Application. So, get started early and reach out to us for Zoom help and any other questions!!!!**Our email is taconichillsdfs@outlook.com