

**Murdock Alumni and Non-Murdock Seniors
Local Scholarships 2024-2025**

If you are sending your application to Murdock High School or Mark Desmarais, please be sure to indicate which scholarship your application is for. ***Include multiple copies of the application if you are applying for more than one scholarship.***

Anthony J. LaPointe Scholarship (Lions Club)

*Winchendon resident, graduating senior

Send application to:
Mark Desmarais
405 Beachview Drive
Winchendon, MA 01475

Dr. John E. Harrington Healthcare Scholarship

*Graduating MHS senior or alumni pursuing healthcare career
*Additional essay required: "Why I am pursuing a career in healthcare."
****Additional information attached***

Send application to:
Guidance Office
Murdock High School
3 Memorial Drive
Winchendon, MA 01475

**Eugene M. Connor American Legion Post 193
American Legion Scholarship**

*Winchendon resident, graduating senior
****Additional application attached***
*Additional essay required: "Why you feel you should be awarded a scholarship from the American Legion."

Send application to:
Mark Desmarais
405 Beachview Drive
Winchendon, MA 01475

F. Leo & Irene D. Murray Scholarship

*Winchendon resident, graduating senior or alumni

Send application to:
Guidance Office
Murdock High School
3 Memorial Drive
Winchendon, MA 01475

**Knights of the Inferno Motorcycle Club
Jan Keck Memorial Scholarship**

*Winchendon resident, graduating senior
*Provide community service/volunteer hours
*Additional essay required: "Why are you applying for this scholarship?"

Send application to:
Mark Desmarais
405 Beachview Drive
Winchendon, MA 01475

Michael Morin Memorial Scholarship

*Winchendon resident, graduating senior

Send application to:
Guidance Office
Murdock High School
3 Memorial Drive
Winchendon, MA 01475

Sons of American Legion, Post 193

*Winchendon resident, graduating senior or current college student

Send application to:
Mark Desmarais
405 Beachview Drive
Winchendon, MA 01475

Winchendon Garden Club

*Separate application attached
Deadline April 30

Send application to:
Winchendon Gardner Club Scholarship Committee
c/o Linda Dellasanta
PO Box 32
Winchendon, MA 01475

Winchendon Kiwanis Scholarship

*Separate application attached
Deadline May 1

Send application to:
Kiwanis Club of Winchendon
PO Box 214
Winchendon MA 01475
Or
winchendonkiwanis@gmail.com

Winchendon Police Association Scholarship

*Winchendon resident, graduating senior or current college student

Send application to:
Guidance Office
Murdock High School
3 Memorial Drive
Winchendon, MA 01475

If you have any questions, please call Marcia in the guidance office at 978-297-4285. Thank you.

Murdock High School



Rachael Weinhold
Counselor

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Winchendon, Massachusetts 01475
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Genevieve Kane-Howse
Adjustment Counselor

Alumni and Non-Murdock Seniors Local Scholarship Application

Attached you will find the local scholarship application. To be considered as an applicant, there are necessary forms to be completed accurately. It is recommended that you think carefully about the information you include in your Student Autobiographical Essay and expand your ideas fully in order to support your candidacy best.

The local scholarship organizations will make awards based on their own internal criteria. The organizations will consider your academic achievement, extracurricular participation, future plans for study, and financial need. **Per their request, there should be no contact by any student or guardian to these organizations.**

1. Alumni and Winchendon residents:

A list of organizations offering scholarships this year, with addresses, is provided in this packet. You may then choose to apply to any or all scholarship organizations. It is your responsibility to copy and forward this information to the appropriate organizations no later than April 11, 2025.

2. All application packets must include:

- a. Autobiographical Essay (typed essays are preferred; make sure your name is listed at the top of each page). Make sure to check for spelling errors and grammatical errors. Remember the essay is an important part of deciding the scholarship recipient.
- b. Personal/Financial Data Sheets - you must enclose a copy of your acceptance letter and the financial award letter from the college. Also, list any scholarships or financial aid you have already received on the financial information sheet.
- c. If you are a current high school senior, include a copy of your high school transcript. If you are a current college student, include your first semester college grades.

Personal/Financial Data Sheet

Please note: applications must be complete to be considered

Student Name: _____

Address: _____ City, State: _____

Family Information

Parent/Guardian #1: Please check _____ **Parent** _____ **Legal Guardian** _____ **Other**

Name: _____

Address: _____ City, State: _____

Occupation: _____ Place of Employment: _____

Parent/Guardian #2: Please check _____ **Parent** _____ **Legal Guardian** _____ **Other**

Name: _____

Address: _____ City, State: _____

Occupation: _____ Place of Employment: _____

Number of family members, including yourself, living at home _____

Pre-school _____ Grades K-12 _____ College (full time) _____ College (part time) _____

Number of adults employed (full time) _____ (part time) _____

High School Information (for current high school seniors)

High School: _____

Graduation Date: _____ Class Rank _____ G.P.A. _____

Name and location of school or college which you plan to attend:

College: _____ City, State: _____

Major or proposed major: _____

Eventual Occupational Goal: _____

College Information (for current college students)

G.P.A. _____

College: _____ City, State: _____

Major: _____ Occupational Goal: _____

Applicant Name: _____

Financial Information

Estimated expenses for 2025-2026 school year:

Tuition and Fees _____

Room and Board _____

Books and Supplies _____

Transportation _____

Other Costs _____

Total Estimated Expense _____

Estimated contributions toward expenses for 2025-2026 school year by:

Parents/Guardians _____

Applicant's Savings _____

Applicant's Summer Earnings _____

Scholarships already awarded _____

Other _____

Please describe "Other": _____

Total Estimated Contributions _____

Estimated need for 2025-2026 academic year (subtract contributions from expense)

Total Estimated Amount Needed _____

We have checked the above information and certify it to be complete and correct to the best of our knowledge. We agree to refund all scholarship aid from this source if the above statements are untrue.

Applicant's Signature _____ **Date** _____

Guardian's Signature _____ **Date** _____

The John E. Harrington, MD Scholarship

Dr. John E. Harrington served the residents of Winchendon at the Winchendon Health Center and Heywood Hospital for 34 years from 1982 to 2016.

The Scholarship is given in his honor by the Winchendon Health Foundation.

Dr. Harrington graduated Magna Cum Laude from the College of the Holy Cross and received his MD from Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland, OH.

Before coming to Winchendon, Dr. Harrington did his internship at Cleveland Metro General Hospital, was the Medical Director for Indian Health Services at St. Paul Island and Juneau Alaska, and was a Resident at Cheyenne Family Practice Program in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

While at the Winchendon Health Center, Dr. Harrington also served as its Medical Director and the School Physician for the Winchendon Public Schools.

Dr. Harrington was an Assistant Professor of Family and Community Medicine at UMass Medical School in Worcester and has won numerous awards and recognition for his devotion to the practice of Family Medicine.

Dr. Harrington was also instrumental working with Dr. John Mulqueen in establishing the Forward in Health Clinic in Haiti. Dr. Harrington visits the clinic on a regular basis providing health services to the Haitian people.

The qualifications for applying for this scholarship are that the applicant must be a graduate or alumnus of Murdock High School and pursuing a career in the healthcare/allied health sciences. The applicant must also furnish a grade transcript along with a brief bio/essay as to why they are pursuing a career in healthcare.



**American Legion
Post 193
Winchendon, Massachusetts**

**EUGENE M. CONNOR POST 193
THE AMERICAN LEGION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM**
Must be submitted to the Legion before May 15th of each calendar year to be considered

Colleges or Universities accepted at:

College or University attending: _____

STUDENT INFORMATION

Student Name _____ Sex: M F Date _____
Street Address _____ City _____ State _____

IMMEDIATE FAMILY

Who in your immediate family has served in the military?:
Name _____ Branch of Service _____
Relationship _____
Name _____ Branch of Service _____
Relationship _____
Are any family current members of the American Legion? If yes, who? _____

PARENT INFORMATION

Fathers Name _____ Mothers Name _____
Address (if different than above) _____
Home phone # _____ Cell phone # _____
Father's Place of Employment _____ Job Title _____
Mother's Place of Employment _____ Job Title _____

SCHOOL INFORMATION - HIGH SCHOOL APPLICANT

High School Attending _____

High School Class Rank # _____ out of _____ GPA _____

Proposed Major _____ Career Goal _____

NOTE – An official copy of the transcript of grades must be attached to this application.

EXTRA CURRICULUM OR ACTIVITIES DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR

List all activities that you participated in during the school year::

SCHOOL INFORMATION – POST HIGH SCHOOL APPLICANT

College Attending (If currently in college) _____

College Year just completed (e.g. sophomore) _____ GPA _____

Major (if known) _____ Degree working on _____

EXTRA CURRICULUM OR ACTIVITIES DURING THE COLLEGE YEAR

List all activities that you participated in during school - _____

LIST ALL COMMUNITY SERVICE ACTIVITIES YOU VOLUNTEERED FOR

LIST VETERAN ORGANIZATIONS OR VET SERVICES YOU VOLUNTEERED FOR

**PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF THE FOLLOWING TO THIS APPLICATION:
WRITE OR TYPE A FEW PARAGRAPHS AS TO WHY YOU FEEL YOU SHOULD BE
AWARDED A SCHOLARSHIP FROM THE AMERICAN LEGION**

_____ Student Signature

_____ Parent Signature

Mail to:

Mark Desmarais
405 Beachview Dr
Winchendon MA 01475

The Winchendon Garden Club

“Where we sow seeds of inspiration....”

Scholarship Instructions & Guidelines

The Winchendon Garden Club (WGC) believes in rewarding those who have demonstrated achievements in community services. To do so, a scholarship is to be granted to qualified achievers who have demonstrated a high commitment to beautify the Town of Winchendon to the standards set by the Club's members.

Details of the Award

- **\$2,000 has been appropriated to be awarded for scholarships in 2025.**
- A One-year scholarship is available to an individual pursuing a career related to the protection and cultivation of our environment see *examples below*.
- College/university/training programs must be accredited and listed on the official website of the U.S. Department of Education <http://ope.ed.gov/accreditation/Search.aspx>

Applicant Eligibility

Applicants must meet all of the following criteria:

- Must be a US Citizen and Legal Resident of Winchendon, Massachusetts of the United States or the immediate family of a Winchendon Garden Club member (International or Foreign Exchange Students are not eligible).
- Doctoral program students are not eligible.
- Must be attending school as defined by WGC:
- Applicants who have been awarded a scholarship cannot reapply.
- Applicants must be enrolled for a minimum of 9 graded hours of classes.
- Study abroad on fellowships or internships are not eligible.
- Must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.00 (on a 4.0 scale).
- Must be planning a career related to environmental concerns. *Example of common fields of study are as follows: o Agronomy o Agriculture Education o Floriculture o Horticulture o Landscape Design o Botany, Biology o Forestry o Wildlife Science o Plant Pathology/Science o City (Rural & Urban) Planning o Habitat or Forest/Systems Ecology o Environmental Concerns (Management: Environmental, Horticulture Resource/Environmental Behavior) Environmental Conservation (inc. Engineering, etc.) Land Management and/or other related or allied subjects.*

Selection Criteria

All applications received by the Winchendon Garden Club will be evaluated by the WGC Scholarship Committee. The Committee will identify two (2) finalists who may be anonymously presented at the Club's May meeting.

Applications must be received by April 30, 2025.

The following **Sample Scale of Points** may be used but is not limited to the evaluation of each application:

- o Academic Record 40%
- o Applicant's Letter 30%
- o Listing of Honors / Extracurricular Activities / Work Experience 10%
- o Financial Need 15%
- o Recommendations 5%

Applications are evaluated and winners chosen by the Winchendon Garden Club Scholarship Committee, which consists of the WGC Scholarship Chairman and (3) Winchendon Garden Club members.

The WGC Scholarship Chairman will notify the chosen applicants in writing of the committee's decision immediately following the judging.

Description of Funds

Cheques for the winning applicant'(s) scholarship will be mailed in late July from WGC Treasurer to the Financial Aid Office of the institution at which the student is enrolled. No funds will be sent directly to the student. All funds will be distributed by the Financial Aid Office according to the particular school's term-system, unless the student has only one term remaining before the completion of the degree. In the event of a change in a student's major to one other than those listed above, or if the student withdraws from school; the balance of the funds must be returned to Winchendon Garden Club. The Student and Financial Aid Officer will determine how the money is to be spent: tuition, food, housing, books, etc.

Application Checklist

The following documents must be submitted, single side pages only:

1. WGC Scholarship Application Form
2. Complete official academic transcripts
3. Letter from applicant, include list of extracurricular activities, honors, recognitions received within the last three years
4. Two letters of recommendation
5. All of the documents must be mailed by the applicant in one large envelope **postmarked no later than the deadline date:**

Application Deadline: April 30, 2025

Mail to: The Winchendon Garden Club Scholarship Committee
C/O Linda Dellasanta
P.O. Box 32
Winchendon, MA 01475

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Scholarship Application

There are no application fees and we welcome any individual (any age) who is a resident of Winchendon, MA or are the immediate family of a Winchendon Garden Club member to apply. All disclosed information will remain private. **Application deadline April 30, 2025.**

Please be as thorough as possible when submitting your application. All fields should be completed as these are the criteria used to evaluate each applicant.

Please submit required documents to support your application. Please read attached Instructions & Guidelines to guide your choice of documents to be included with your application (beneficial documents include résumé, transcripts, letters of recommendation; achievements, awards, honors, membership affiliations, community and volunteer services,) and any other information you may feel pertinent for our review. Please attach a one page letter expressing your desire to go into a related field of Environmental Protection/cultivation and we are especially interested in your personal ambition of how you will give back to our community with your learned skills.

First & Last Name

Address

Email

Telephone #

Current School +/-or occupation Name and Address

Current Scholastic Level (GPA)+/or equivalent credentials)

School of choice and letter of acceptance

Contact Information (name, address, tel. of Finance dept.)

Major/Career Interests

Application deadline April 30th, 2025 (must be postmarked no later than this date)

*The Winchendon Garden Club wishes you the best in your career as you move forward in life!!!!
Sincerely, President Linda Dellasanta, Tel. 978-297-1051*



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KIWANIS CLUB OF WINCHENDON Scholarship Application

Student Name:	Date:
Address:	
City:	
State:	
Phone Number:	
Current School:	GPA:
Anticipated Major or Trade:	
College or Trade School Attending:	

*Please attach additional pages as needed.

1. Please list all school related activities and the years you participated, include sports, extracurricular activities, volunteer organizations.
2. Please list any outside school organizations, employment or volunteer work and the years that you participated.
3. Essay Question – Choose 1

Tell us how you have made a positive impact on someone else's life?

If you could fix one thing about your community, what would it be and how would you fix it?

You can submit this application and requested information back to your guidance office, email it to winchendonkiwanis@gmail.com by May 1st or mail it to: Kiwanis Club of Winchendon PO Box 214 Winchendon MA 01475 by May 1st