

## 2026 High School Scholarship Award

The Livingston County Area Chamber of Commerce and the Livingston County Education Alliance (LCEA) are proud to award up to four \$1,000 scholarships annually to graduating seniors. To be eligible, applicants must: be a resident of Livingston County and accepted at and committed to attending a technical training or higher education institution in the fall of 2026.

Scholarship recipients are selected based on the criteria outlined below. Two scholarships are typically designated for vocational students (who are dually enrolled at GV BOCES and their home district), and two are for traditional high school students.

### All students must submit the following:

- A completed application (see page 2)
- A letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, or school administrator
- The financial aid package from your post-secondary program (complete with estimated cost of attendance and financial aid award, if any)
- A commitment letter/form/email to attend the school with the student's name on it

### For vocational (BOCES) students:

- Submission of a project binder
- Presentation of project/binder/demonstration to the scholarship committee – scheduled by Mrs. Caton
- Selection will be awarded based on the application, supporting documents, and the presentation

### For non-vocational (non BOCES) students:

- An essay based on one of the following themes:
  - **The Value of Being Raised in Livingston County, NY**
    - **Prompt 1:** How has growing up in Livingston County, New York shaped your values, character, or future aspirations?
    - **Prompt 2:** Reflect on a **local** challenge or opportunity you've observed. How has living here equipped you with the skills or perspective to address this, either now or in your future?
  - **Your Career Path Selection**
    - **Prompt 1:** What sparked your passion for your chosen career path? Describe how this, coupled with your education and upbringing, has solidified your commitment to this field.
    - **Prompt 2:** Detail a goal you hope to achieve within your career.
  - **Leadership and Service**
    - **Prompt 1:** Describe a time when you stepped up to lead. What were the challenges, what actions did you take, and what did you learn about your own leadership style and the importance of serving others?
    - **Prompt 2:** Tell us about an act of service that has been meaningful to you. Explain what you did, and how that experience changed your perspective on your community and your role in it.
  - **How You Enrich Your Community**
    - **Prompt 1:** Think about a unique skill, talent, or perspective you possess. Share how you have used this to positively impact your community.
    - **Prompt 2:** How do you see yourself as an advocate for change? Describe a project or initiative you've been involved in that helped improve an issue in your school or community.
- Selection will be made based upon the application, supporting documents, and the essay

Applicants will only be considered for scholarship if they meet all the requirements outlined and include ALL relevant documentation. Please note no contact is to be made with the Livingston County Area Chamber of Commerce. Team entries are not permitted. LCEA reserves the right to award fewer than four scholarships, if there are not four applicants who meet the recipient criteria.

*Thank you for applying. Our committee wishes you the best of luck!*

# 2026 Scholarship Application

Please complete all fields.

## Student Applicant Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home (non-school) email: \_\_\_\_\_

School district: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Class rank: \_\_\_\_\_ Absences this year \_\_\_\_\_

Type of diploma: \_\_\_\_\_ SAT scores: \_\_\_\_\_ ACT scores: \_\_\_\_\_

## Parent/Guardian/Family Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of siblings: \_\_\_\_\_ Age(s) of siblings: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of siblings in college/post-secondary training program: \_\_\_\_\_

## Post-secondary Academic & Career Information

Name of institution you plan to attend: \_\_\_\_\_

Program of study or major: \_\_\_\_\_ Years anticipated to complete: \_\_\_\_\_

Career goal: \_\_\_\_\_

Total estimated cost of attendance per year: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Financial aid amount offered per year of attendance: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

## Personal & Extracurricular Information:

H.S. activities, organizations, and honors (attach a separate list or resume if you wish):

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## Employment:

Are you currently working? (circle one) YES NO

If yes, where and for how long? \_\_\_\_\_

## Signatures & Submission:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Student Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Signature (required if under 18)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## Submission Details:

Please ensure you have included all the following:

- The completed application form
- Your post-secondary school commitment letter
- Your Financial aid offer
- One letter of recommendation
- Writing sample (if applicable)

## Submission Deadlines:

**By US Mail:** The packet must be postmarked by Wednesday, April 29, 2026, and mailed to LCEA, 4635 Millennium Drive, Geneseo, NY 14454

**By Email:** The documentation must be submitted by 4 pm on Friday, May 1, 2026, in PDF format and emailed to [livingstoncountyscholarships@gmail.com](mailto:livingstoncountyscholarships@gmail.com)