

Class of 2020

The Clearinghouse Scholarship



**Information Bulletin
(Seniors Only)**

Application Deadline
Saturday, February 22nd, 2020
(Site will shut down Midnight)

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Plainfield Public Schools Scholarship Program 2020

Timeline Check List/Deadlines	Completed
<p>Friday, January 24, 2020 -Contributor Information Sheet and scholarship information & criteria due to Mr. L Bilal Best, District Career & College Readiness Counselor Fax (908) 731-4399 or e-mail LBest@Plainfield.K12.NJ.US</p>	
<p>Friday, February 7, 2020 -All Seniors will receive the Clearinghouse Scholarship Bulletin and Applications via their high school e-mail address and Google Classroom -The Scholarship bulletin will be posted on the district website and high schools' websites. Global connect messages will be sent to parents/guardians.</p>	
<p>Saturday, February 22, 2020 -Deadline for students to submit completed applications online</p>	
<p>Monday, February 24, 2020 through Friday, February 28, 2020 -Mr. Best will be receiving, via e-mail, candidates completed application with all required attachments.</p>	
<p>Monday, March 2, 2020 through Friday, March 6, 2020 -Mr. Best will send out applications to vendors</p>	
<p>Friday, April 3, 2020 -Final day for committee chairperson to submit via e-mail the names of students to be interviewed. Candidate interviewing sheet will be provided after applications have been submitted -Fax 908 731-4399 or e-mail Lbest@plainfield.K12.NJ</p>	
<p>Thursday, May 7, 2020 This day will be the ONLY day that Interviews will be conducted at Plainfield High School. Other dates are arranged between the committee person and the candidate at another location.</p>	
<p>Thursday, June 4, 2019 at 6:00 pm -Senior Scholarship Presentations</p>	
<p>Friday, June 19, 2020 All scholarship recipients and scholarship committee chairpersons must make arrangements to mail scholarship money. The organization representative must make direct contact and arrangements with students to disperse funds.</p>	

(Dates subject to change)

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Dear Seniors, Parents and/or Guardians:

To the Class of 2020, Congratulations on the academic success you have achieved to date. We applaud your persistence to meet this milestone in your academic career. For your efforts, The Department of Counseling & Post Graduate Planning is proud to present to you *The 2020 Clearinghouse Scholarship Program*. In partnership with the many organizations in our community and surrounding areas, this opportunity is provided to assist you with your future goals and post-secondary educational endeavors. To these benefactors, we say thank you for the gratitude and generosity that they continue to provide throughout the years.

The business community, entrepreneurs, service, fraternal organizations, union and professional groups, trust funds, and others are all willing benefactors who take seriously their commitment in providing continued educational opportunities for graduating seniors at Plainfield High School (PHS) & Plainfield Academy Arts and Advanced Studies (PAAAS). This is not only an investment in your future, but also an investment in the growth and advancement of the community. What better way to insure the longevity and prosperity of a community that is well loved?

We encourage our seniors and their parents/guardians to sit together and read the information contained and outlined in this bulletin. Review the eligibility criteria carefully to determine which scholarship(s) you are most qualified to pursue. You may apply for more than one scholarship, but it is important that you submit a completed application for each scholarship you are seeking. The student and parent or guardian must sign all applications. Application packets are complete when all necessary documents, such as letters of recommendation, proof of community service, etc., are attached. Transcripts will be included when the applications are submitted to the Counseling Office.

The timelines will be strictly enforced. Please read them carefully and submit all materials before the deadline. **ONLY APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED BY THE DEADLINE WILL BE CONSIDERED.** Participation from some organizations is subject to change without prior notification.

The counselors and administration wish every senior the very best of luck as you pursue The Clearinghouse Scholarship Process. For further information, contact your school counselor.

Sincerely Yours,

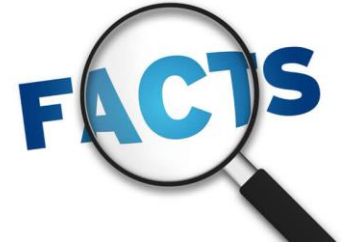
THE SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE



Application Instructions

Please read the following instructions carefully and include all items that are requested! Note qualifications, which determine eligibility.

- Applicants must be high school seniors attending PHS or PAAAS only.
- **Create a google Folder on your drive. Name it using your “LastName.FirstName.Clearinghouse2020”**
- Add the following items to your Google folder:
 - a. Student Activities Resume
 - b. Personal Essay (Statement) – Include a personal letter telling why you should be considered for a scholarship. Refer to special family circumstances (i.e. illness, unusual medical expenses, job loss, Etc.) or other pertinent information that will support your application.
 - c. TWO Letters of Recommendations (a minimum of one from a teacher and/or second teacher, Employer, clergyman, club advisor and or coach)
 - d. SAT/ACT Score report
 - e. School Transcript
- When uploading Specific Essays, be sure to include within the file name the name of the organization the essay is for. **Here is an example of a file name for the Emagin Book Scholarship, Filename: EMAGIN.Best.L.2020.**
- All information requested on the scholarship application must be furnished. If all required sections are not completed, you will be disqualified. **Every** application must include an essay and activities resume.
- The application is available on the district and Plainfield High School website. Applicants are to follow the instructions of completion. **Every senior will receive this information via the students’ google district e-mail address.**
- Go to the district site: www.plainfieldnj12.org
- **Make certain that letters of recommendation and any other required documents are e-mailed to the corresponding site.**
- A student may apply to any of the scholarships in this bulletin for which he/she is eligible.
- **Make sure you meet the DEADLINE DATE OF Saturday, February 22, 2020. The site will be closed down by midnight,**



Important Facts

- **Each organization's scholarship chairperson will notify Mr. Best of the applicants they wish to interview.**
- **Applicants will be notified of their status and given an appointment for interviewing.**
- **Interviews will be held on Thursday, May 7, 2020 from 3:30 – 7:30pm. This is the only interview date. It is important that you arrange with employers, coaches, etc as early as possible.**
- **Students being awarded a scholarship will be invited to the Thursday, June 4, 2020 Clearinghouse Scholarship Awards Program night at Plainfield High School. It is strongly encouraged for recipients to attend.**
- **Scholarship recipients will be announced at the Senior Scholarship Awards Program on Thursday, June 4, 2020 (tentative).**

List of Scholarships and Organizations



AT&T



AT & T Pioneer Ralph Schmeyer Memorial Scholarships AT&T Telecom Pioneers New Jersey Chapter 139

INTRODUCTION

The AT&T Telecom pioneers New Jersey Chapter – 139 established a memorial scholarship fund for 2004 in memory of the late Ralph Schmeyer, Plainfield High School alumni, a retired Plainfield Police Officer, retired employee of AT&T / Lucent and Executive Officer of the AT&T Pioneers. These scholarships will be provided to two needy Plainfield High School graduates.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Demonstrate a strong potential to serve others, volunteer in community service
- Demonstrate financial need
- Have resided in the city of Plainfield for at least one year
- Have accumulated a 2.5 GPA or higher
- Been accepted to attend a 4-year college/university
- Minimum SAT composite score of 850
(Math and Critical Reading)

• AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

\$1,000 (Several awards)

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued

Auxiliary to the North Jersey Medical Society

INTRODUCTION

The Auxiliary to The North Jersey Medical Society is a local chapter of The Auxiliary to The National Medical Association. In keeping with its commitment to serving the community in matters of health care and education, this organization assists and encourages youth to pursue health related careers.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be a graduating senior
- Have demonstrated leadership qualities (evidenced by involvement in school/community activities)
- Submit two letters of recommendation (one from a teacher and one from a guidance counselor)
- Have plans to pursue a health related career at an accredited college or university
- Have an overall grade point average of 3.0 or better (based on a 4.0 scale)
- Include an essay describing special circumstances that helped you to choose a health related career

• AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount will be announced.

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued



"BIG FRANK" Giejda Memorial Scholarship FAMILY & FRIENDS OF "BIG FRANK"

INTRODUCTION

The Family & Friends of "Big Frank" established this memorial scholarship in 2008. "Big Frank" was an employee of the Plainfield Board of Education for over 45 years. He built and maintained the High School Field during his tenure. He and his staff made PHS Field one of the best in the state. Along with maintaining the field, he took care of the laundry, fitted equipment and took care of "his boys". Each one of them was special to him. One of his rules was that the only game that was played on the upper football field was the Varsity Game on Saturday. It gave the players something to strive for.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Demonstrate good character and citizenship; volunteer in the community
- Demonstrate financial need
- Been a Varsity Football Player
- Have resided in the City of Plainfield for at least one year
- Have an accumulated GPA of 2.5 or higher
- Been accepted to attend a 4 year college/university

• AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount will be announced.

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

Cedarbrook Park Apartments Tenants ASSOC. Scholarship



INTRODUCTION

No information provided

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- **Be a graduating student of Plainfield High School**
- Have a 2.8 average or higher
- Show evidence of financial need
- Provide two letters of recommendation
- Plan to attend a 4-year college after high school graduation.

- AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

\$500.00

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued



EMAGIN Book Scholarship

INTRODUCTION

As an alumnus of Plainfield High school and recipient of several scholarships from the 2004 Clearinghouse Scholarship, I, Lyle Maxwell Hickman, believe starting a scholarship at Plainfield High School is an effective way to give back not only to my alma mater but to the brilliant and gifted students that make Plainfield High School. As a former college student, I understand that the cost of books for college courses can be rather expensive, and this award shall help a graduating senior finance their books for their college education

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be a graduating senior of Plainfield High School.
- Be attending a post-secondary school September 2018.
- Include a list of honors/awards and extra-curricular activities (Activities Resume)
- Write a 250-word essay on how and why going to college will help out your community.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount will be announced

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued



F.S. Mathewson Rotary Club Scholarship c/o Rotary club Of Plainfield - North Plainfield

INTRODUCTION

The *F.S. Mathewson Scholarship* is given by the Rotary Club of Plainfield-North Plainfield in memory of F. S. "Matty" Mathewson, a long-time member of the Club who died in 1993. Matty was well known throughout New Jersey as a man who lived the Rotary ideal of "Service Above Self". Candidates for this award must demonstrate a mix of academic achievement; financial need; community service; and school service.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be eligible for graduation in June or August of 2020
- Show proof of acceptance to a four-year college/university
- Provide two (2) letters of reference regarding community involvement
- Have some school/ community involvement
- Demonstrate accomplishments in the areas below:
 1. Academic Achievement
 2. Financial Need
 3. Community Service

SPECIAL ESSAY

Please submit an essay of no more than 300 words describing why your service to the community and/or school system is important to you and how it benefits others.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

\$500 or more; the number of scholarships vary from year to year

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued

Friends of Sleepy Hollow (FOSH)

INTRODUCTION

No information provided

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- **Be a graduating senior in good standing at Plainfield High School**
- Submit proof of acceptance to a post-secondary institution
- Submit (1) letter of recommendation from an adult who has observed your volunteer work
- Demonstrate strong leadership qualities
- During interview, be able to discuss volunteer work done throughout the past 1-4 years

SPECIAL ESSAY

Submit an essay of no more than 300 words describing why volunteer service is important to you and discuss your post secondary plans.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount will be announced.

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.



Garden State Cultural Association

ORGANIZATIONS MISSION

The Garden State Cultural Association (GSCA), founded in 1992, is an Indian American organization based in New Jersey, USA. It received Federal tax-exempt status as a non-profit 501 (3c) organization in 1993. GSCA has been receiving a Union County (New Jersey) grant since 1998 in recognition of its support to community activities. The mission of GSCA is to promote the rich and ancient cultural heritage of India through social and cultural events, and youth/children activities throughout the year. In addition, GSCA actively makes financial contributions to philanthropic, community and humanitarian causes.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- **Be a senior of Plainfield High School with demonstrated excellence in academic activities during their high school years.**
- GPA 3.5 or higher
- Provided Community Service
- Be committed to pursue higher education at an appropriate institution of higher learning.

SPECIAL ESSAY

Topic: An event in your life that influenced you the most
Specifications: 250 words.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Six \$500.00 scholarships

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.



J. Wilber Tovell Scholarship c/o The Rotary Club of Plainfield – North Plainfield

INTRODUCTION

The J. Wilber Tovell Fund was established in 1989, dictated by the will of J. Wilbur Tovell (1893-1974), a longtime resident of Plainfield and a graduate of plainfield high School and New York University. Rotary Club members select recipients and the scholarships awards are made by the Plainfield Foundation.

This scholarship is limited to male students only. Candidates demonstrate academic achievement and participation in school activities.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be a **male** senior eligible for graduation in June or August of 2020
- Have demonstrated high academic achievement with strong leadership ability
- Show proof of acceptance to a two or four-year college or university
- Have some school/community involvement

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

\$500 minimum award; the number of scholarships vary from year to year.

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.



LT. Ronald S. Lattimore Memorial Scholarship

INTRODUCTION

The mission of this scholarship is to continue my husband's legacy. He was an intelligent and successful police officer. He and I felt strongly about education, so what better way to continue the legacy of an intelligent man.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Any nationality, gender or religion
- Must have acceptance letter from an accredited 2 or 4 year college or university (no business or trade schools please)
- Must submit three professional references

SPECIAL ESSAY

Topic: If you receive this scholarship and after receiving your college degree, would you be willing to come back and work in your community? If so, how would you give back to the community?

Specifications: Must be typed, double spaced, and no fewer than 500 words.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount: \$1,000.00

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued



M.R.S. Incorporated of Plainfield

INTRODUCTION

No information provided

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- **Be a graduating senior from Plainfield High School** with a grade point average of 2.75 or higher
- Participate in extra-curricular activities or community service projects
- Show evidence of financial need
- Intend to either pursue a career in a vocational/technical nursing program or enrolled in a four-year college/university

REQUIREMENT

- Provide proof of enrollment/attendance from training institution or college/university
- All scholarship recipients must attend a mandatory MRS Club luncheon in June. Recipients will receive an invite and information regarding the luncheon at PHS Award's Reception. (In the case of an emergency, allowances will be made for the recipient to send a parent/guardian in their place.)

ESSAY TOPIC (Choose one)

- Think about a time when you faced a challenge. Write a story about that time, including how you dealt with the challenge and what you learned from it.
- Good habits improve our physical, emotional, and/or financial health. Select one of your good habits and write an essay explaining how your habit has developed you into the person you are today.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount will be between \$500.00 to \$1,000.00 book scholarship

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.



Muhammad Mosque #80 The Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan Respect for Life Scholarship

INTRODUCTON

The Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan is the National Representative of the Honorable Elijah Muhammad and the Nation of Islam. For the past 60 years, he has demonstrated a steadfast love and commitment to the rise of the poor and oppressed people of North America and the world. He is a proponent of education and a creation of an educational paradigm that lays a foundation for a new reality. Minister Farrakhan believes that at the foundation of this new reality are the disciplines of engineering, mathematics, science, agriculture, and teaching. He has stated that, "He who prescribes the diameter of your thinking, controls the circumference of your activity." To that end, we present to a Plainfield High School graduating senior this prestigious scholarship.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIERMENTS:

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- **Be a Plainfield High School graduating senior**
- Demonstrate Commitment to leadership and public service
- Going to school for engineering, mathematics, science, agriculture, teaching
- Maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher until high school graduation
- Be accepted to an accredited and approved four-year institution.
- Materials required for application submission
 - 250-500 word essay
 - Official copy of high school transcript
 - Letter of recommendation

SPECIAL ESSAY

Male Qualifications

250-500 word Essay Question: Do you think that morality is necessary to achieve and maintain success? Why?

Female Qualifications

250-500 word Essay Question: Do you think that morality is necessary to achieve and maintain success? Why?

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Male recipient: \$500

Female recipient\$500

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued



Plainfield Association of School Administrators (P.A.S.A.)

INTRODUCTION

No information provided

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be a Plainfield High School or Plainfield Academy for the Arts & Advanced Studies graduating senior.
- Be enrolled as a full-time degree student in vocational, technical or nursing school or a two or four-year college or university in the Fall of the current year

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Multiple scholarships will be awarded to qualified seniors of \$1,000 dollars

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

Plainfield Education Association
(P.E.A)

INTRODUCTION

The Plainfield Education Association represents teachers, paraprofessionals, secretaries, bus drivers, custodians, building and grounds maintenance staff and information technology personnel of the Plainfield Public Schools. We serve to advance and protect the rights, benefits and interests of our members and advocate for a quality education and improved opportunities for all our students.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be graduating seniors eligible for graduation in June or August of the current year
- Have an overall grade point average of 3.0 or better (based on a 4.0 scale)
- Have plans to pursue a college career in the field of education at an accredited four-year college or university. Acceptance letter is required.

SPECIAL ESSAY

Submit an essay of 300 words entitled “Why I Have Chosen a career in the field of education”

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Two scholarships of \$1,000 each.

This organization’s participation is subject to change without further notification.

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued



Plainfield High School Alumni Association Hall of Fame

INTRODUCTION

No information provided

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Graduate of Plainfield Public Schools
- 2.85 or higher GPA
- Attending College in the Fall
- One letter of recommendation from staff member

SPECIAL ESSAY OR LETTER

- Write a one-page letter describing your career goals.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount will be announced

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.



Plainfield High School Alumni Association c/o Rotary Club Of Plainfield – North Plainfield

INTRODUCTION

The **PHS Alumni Scholarship Fund** was established in 1986 when the PHS Alumni Association, prior to disbanding, asked the Plainfield Foundation to carry on distribution of scholarship awards. The Plainfield Foundation established the PHS Alumni Scholarship Fund and the Rotary Club of Plainfield-North Plainfield administers the scholarship awards. Candidates demonstrate academic achievement and participation in school activities.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be a graduating senior
- Show proof of acceptance to an accredited college/university
- Demonstrate financial need
- Have some school community involvement

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

\$500 or more; the number of scholarships vary from year to year

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued



Plainfield High School Booster Club

INTRODUCTION

No information provided

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be a high school senior eligible for graduation with a 2.3 GPA
- Submit a letter of recommendation
- Submit college acceptance letter(s)
- Show proof of community service and /or willing to give community service
- Have participated in the same sport for a minimum of two (2) consecutive years

SPECIAL ESSAY

Submit an essay stating why you should be considered for our scholarship

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount: Various Scholarships between \$250.00 and \$500.00

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued

Plainfield High School Class of '64

INTRODUCTION

The Plainfield High School Class of 1964 scholarship is dedicated to the members of our class who made the ultimate sacrifice during the Vietnam War. Rodney Alvin James and Kent Douglas Jordan grew up in our city and entered the military after graduation. These brave young men were just a few years out of Plainfield High School when they lost their lives. They were our friends, beloved by all who knew them. In their memory, The Class of 1964 has established a scholarship for graduates of PHS seeking to pursue their education beyond high school.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- **Be a PHS senior** or recent graduate returning from military service who is planning to continue their education in Junior college, four-year college or technical/vocational, business or nursing school
- Demonstrate good character and leadership ability
- Serve school and community
- Demonstrate financial need

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

\$1,500 – 3,000 Dollars

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued

Plainfield High School Class of 1966

INTRODUCTION

No information provided

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- **Be a graduating senior of Plainfield High School**
- Be attending a post-secondary school in September 2020
- Have served or participated in a community service project or have been involved with a Non-profit agency or program

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Three Scholarships of \$1,000.00

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

**Plainfield High School class of 1997: Mark A. Barfield
Memorial Scholarship**

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- **Be a graduating senior**
- Be accepted by an accredited four-year college or university
- Must be low income based on Department of Education standards
- Attach an official high school transcript showing an accumulative grade point average of at least 2.5 (based on a 4.0 scale)
- List community service and extra-curricular activities
- Submit a letter of recommendation provided by a teacher, counselor, mentor, etc. (non-family member)
- Submit a 500-word essay: **HOW WILL FURTHERING YOUR EDUCATION NOT ONLY BENEFIT YOU, BUT YOUR COMMUNITY?**

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount will be announced. Scholarship will be awarded to the college/university of choice upon proof of enrollment.

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.



Plainfield Passionistas Scholarship

INTRODUCTION

This scholarship is being offered by the Plainfield Passionistas, a Breast Cancer Awareness Group working in collaboration with the Plainfield Public School District, to inspire and support graduating seniors in their endeavors to advance their education

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be a graduating senior.
- Have personally or know someone close to you who has been affected by cancer.
- Have achieved a “C” average or better (attach a copy of your transcript).
- Practice good Citizenship.
- Must submit two letters of recommendation, one must be from an educator/guidance counselor in the high school, and the other can be from a religious leader, employer or someone you respect.

SPECIAL ESSAY

In three hundred words or less, please describe how your experience with cancer shaped your view of life. Essay will be kept confidential.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount will be announced.

This organization’s participation is subject to change without further notification.



Plainfield Public School District **2020-Black History Month Committee Scholarship**

INTRODUCTION

The purpose is to encourage and support a student that regardless to where you started academically; you can “RISE” above all obstacles. This scholarship is for a graduating senior that has demonstrated a “RISE” in their academics as well as their personal growth within themselves and to their community. A graduating student that at the end of their PHS years can say: “I started below average but I have improved, not yet the 4.0, but I am on the “RISE.” HENCE... “I AM A RISING STAR.....”

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be a graduating senior of a Plainfield Public High School (PAAAS or PHS)
- Any nationality, gender, or religion.
- Aspiring to attend a two or four-year College, university, vocational, technical, or nursing School full time in the fall of the current year.
- Share written accomplishments in the areas of:
 - academic achievement
 - community service
 - future aspirations

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount will be announced.

This organization’s participation is subject to change without further notification.



Plainfield Queen City Historic 5k Walk/Run for Life

INTRODUCTION

The Plainfield Historic 5K/1M Walk/Run Committee is made up of community volunteers who are committed to helping uplift the Plainfield community by providing activities to encourage our youth bolster their self-esteem and provide support for their academic, civil and social advancement.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be a graduating senior and resident of Plainfield, New Jersey
- Demonstrate involvement in community enhancement
- Have accumulated GPA of 2.7 or better
- Show proof of acceptance to [and attend an] institute of higher learning (not necessarily a college or
 - university)
- Write 200 – 350 word essay answering the following questions:
 - *Why do you need and/or want this scholarship?*
 - *If you could create any business you wanted, what would it be, and how would your business help*
 - *Uplift your community and/or our society as a whole?*

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

\$500.00

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued

Reginal Warren Craftsman Club Of Stone Square Lodge #38 F & AM PHA



INTRODUCTION

On December 23, 1887, Stone Square Lodge #38 was chartered as the first and only Prince Hall Masonic lodge in Plainfield, NJ. Its first location was at 120 East Front St. and since 1912 is now located at 722 St. Mary's Ave. Since then, the brothers of Stone Square Lodge have been serving the community, by helping the downtrodden; providing a place to meet for several local organizations; hosting blood drives; mentoring young men; and of course, awarding scholarships.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Write a 200-word essay on "What You Want to Accomplish within the Next 10 Years."
- List Organizational Involvements
- List with a brief description of the student's extracurricular activities.
- Academic Achievements, GPA 2.5 or above
- Be a High School senior at any of the qualifying schools
- Submit two letters of recommendation (1 school official and 1 other responsible adult)

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Two \$1,000.00 scholarship will be awarded

(Recipient will be issued a check once we receive a copy of acceptance letter and registration papers)

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued



R.K. Lee Scholarship

INTRODUCTION

R.K. Lee is a graduate of Plainfield High School (class of 1993). He grew up in foster care in the care, custody and supervision of what was then known as the Division of Youth and Family Services (DYFS). Mr. Lee moved from foster home to foster home and was displaced many times in his young life. While college was never high on his goal list, he was able to meet loving, caring and influential people in his final years of high school, which gave him a new perspective on life and displayed to him that college would be the best option to grow and achieve his life's goals. Today, Mr. Lee has an Undergraduate and Graduate degree in Psychology and is a successful individual that strives every day to give back to his community and others.

The R.K. Lee Scholarship is for those individuals who are currently displaced from their natural home, under the care, custody and supervision of the Division of Protection and Permanency, a ward of the state or living in a home/place other than their natural home.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be a graduating senior of Plainfield High School.
- Must have been accepted into a two or four-year College, business or technical school.
- A minimum of a 2.5 GPA
- Able to show evidence of being currently displaced from their natural home, under the care, custody and supervision of the Division of Protection and Permanency, a ward of the state or living in a home/place other than their natural home (**information provided will remain confidential**)

SPECIAL ESSAY

Please answer all four essay questions. The essay must be typed, double spaced and no longer than 250 words.

1. What are your educational goals? (one detailed paragraph)
2. How did you decide on those educational goals? (one detailed paragraph)
3. Who has been the biggest influence on your life and why? (one detailed paragraph)
4. How will you be a good citizen and give back to your community? (one detailed paragraph)

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount will be announced

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.



SKYE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION **Skye N. Alston Memorial Scholarship**

INTRODUCTION

Nicole and Paul Alston wish to honor the memory of their daughter, Skye N. Alston who was stillborn on April 30, 2005, established this scholarship. This experience left their lives forever changed. Amid unparalleled grief, Skye's parents hoped to use this tragedy to help others.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be a graduating senior
- Show evidence of having been accepted to a two or four-year college, business, technical or nursing school
- Have accumulated a "C" average or better
- Practice good citizenship

SPECIAL ESSAY

In two hundred words or less, please describe a life-altering event and how it changed your life view (i.e. the death of a loved one, etc.)

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount will be announced

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued

Somerset Hills Lutheran Church



INTRODUCTION

The SHLC Jersey Mission's Group at SHLC looks for ways to support our neighbors in Christ throughout the state of New Jersey.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Demonstrate financial need
- Have a GPA of 2.5 or better
- Be a Christian who is community service oriented

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

\$2,500 non-renewable

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued



Soriano Scholarship Fund

INTRODUCTION

The Soriano Scholarship Fund was established to provide opportunities for students that need financial support to obtain a post-secondary education.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- **Be a Plainfield High School graduating Senior**
Planning to attend a County College
- Be an active participant in one extra-curricular activity. Activities and level of participation must be listed (Activities Resume)
- Have a 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale or higher (Please have an official transcript during your interview)
- Demonstrate financial need.
- Submit 1 letter of recommendation

SPECIAL ESSAY

Choose one of the three questions and write a 500 word, double spaced essay.

1. Do you believe you have the same educational opportunities as other students around the world?
2. Describe a challenging circumstance you overcame.
3. How has your family background/lifestyle affect the way you see the world?

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

\$500.00

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.



THE JORGE AMARO MEMORIAL BOOK SCHOLARSHIP

INTRODUCTION

Mr. Jorge Amaro was a self-educated, intelligent, inquisitive and charitable man born and raised in Guayama, Puerto Rico. He obtained his GED late in life and a lobotomy certificate after his retirement from retail sales. Mr. Amaro was the oldest Mason that ever lived in Puerto Rico and lived for ninety-eight years. While Mr. Amaro was not able to attend college, he made sure that he read for several hours every day. Mr. Amaro's readings were diverse and universal. His curiosity would transport him into many journeys through books. Mr. Amaro lectured to Plainfield High School students during career day programs, read storybooks to kindergarten, and first grade students during the reading circle programs at Washington School during the 1990's.

Mr. Amaro wished to have been able to attend college; in memory of his joy for reading and learning, his work ethic and drive which is his legacy, we the Amaro family extend ourselves in service to a Plainfield High School Latino immigrant student.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this scholarship is to help a Plainfield High School Latino immigrant student defray the cost of books for college.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- **Be a Plainfield High School graduating senior**
- 2.50 GPA on a 4.0 scale or higher
- Attending a community college in the fall of their high school graduation year
- Not eligible to apply for financial aid or any government funded scholarships or grants
- Immigrant from Latino country (verification at the discretion of the committee)
- Able to speak Spanish
- Service to the Plainfield Community
- 250 word essay

SPECIAL ESSAY

Topic: How have you been a motivating force towards your own learning and academic achievement? Moreover, how have you maintained your cultural roots in a foreign country?

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount will be announced

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.



The Kayla Spooner Memorial Scholarship

INTRODUCTION

P.A.R.C. (Parks, Arts, Recreation and Community) has established a memorial scholarship in the name of Kayla Spooner, a Plainfield High School student who passed away in 2017. Kayla was a member of the G.E.M.S. mentoring program and aspired to work in a health related profession. P.A.R.C. will award a scholarship to students with financial need who major in a health-related profession, display academic achievement, a commitment to serving others (in school, in the community or at home), a strong work ethic, and leadership qualities.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Have demonstrated leadership qualities (evidenced by involvement in school/community activities) *Letter of recommendation
- Demonstrate financial need
- Have plans to pursue a health related career at an accredited Nursing, college or university.
*Show proof of acceptance before funds are released
- Include an essay describing special circumstances that helped you to choose a health related carrier
- Have accumulated a 2.5 GPA or higher
- Submit proof of acceptance to a post-secondary institution.
- Official copy of high school transcript.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount will be announced

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification



**The Legacy Foundation, Inc. Greg Hackett
Memorial Scholarship Award**

PURPOSE

To provide scholarship awards in recognition of academic and community achievement.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be a graduating senior of Plainfield High School
- Have at least a 2.5 cumulative grade point average
- Personal Statement of career goals
- Be an active participant in community service
- Provide two letters of recommendation; one from a Plainfield High School teacher and one from an unrelated person in the community (example – pastor, coach, employer, etc.)
- Provide an official transcript

SPECIAL ESSAY

Write a 200-300 word personal statement-discussing career and personal goals, personal interests, and any unique circumstances that qualify the applicant for financial assistance.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

One-time award \$1,000.00.

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.



The Legacy Foundation, Inc. – Netherwood Tennis Club
Westry G. Horne Memorial
Scholarship Award

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this award is to provide scholarships in recognition of academic achievement and community service.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- **Be a graduating Plainfield High School Senior**
- Have a 2.5 GPA or better
- Demonstrate active participation in community service
- Attach two letters of recommendation: one from a teacher that taught you during high school and one from a person in your community (not related). (Ex. Pastor, coach, employer, etc.)
- 200-300 word essay describing your career goals and how this scholarship would assist you in achieving these goals
- Provide an official high school transcript

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Three Scholarships of \$1,000. Funds will be contingent upon college acceptance and enrollment. To be awarded at Netherwood Tennis Club during the month of June 2020, 728 Coolidge Street, Plainfield, NJ 07061
This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification



The Plainfield Lions Club

INTRODUCTION

The Plainfield Lions Club provides scholarships for Plainfield high School students specifically. The scholarships are intended to help defray the cost of college tuition.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Have superior academic achievement
- Show evidence of having passed all parts of the PARCC or alternate tests.
- Have a minimum composite SAT of 950
(Math and Critical Reading)
- Have demonstrated leadership traits
- Show evidence of school/community involvement as a regular volunteer (either as an individual or as a member of a group) who has helped a person or family in need of some kind of assistance. Assisting/helping could take the form of tutoring, shopping, housekeeping or reading to a blind person (other than at home or in connection with religious activities.)

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

3 Scholarships of \$1,000.00

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.

List of Scholarships and Organizations Continued

Tiffany K. Corbett Memorial Scholarship

INTRODUCTION

Tiffany Corbett was a teacher in the Social Studies Department at Plainfield High School for 41 years, from 1969 to 2010. In addition to her role as an educator, Mrs. Corbett was an active member in her community, volunteering with Summit Junior Fortnightly Club, the Junior League of Summit, and Susan G. Komen for the cure. Mrs. Corbett's activism in Susan G. Komen for the Cure took off after being initially diagnosed with breast cancer in 1991; beginning in 1997, she chaired a Rally for the Cure golf tournament, raising over \$250,000 in 14 tournaments, and was a co-leader of Team Tiffany in the North Jersey Race for the Cure. Additionally, she introduced her Plainfield students and colleagues to Teens Tie a Ribbon for the Cure and Passionately Pink for the Cure during her tenure at PHS. The Tiffany K. Corbett Memorial Scholarship seeks to identify and support Plainfield High School graduates who exemplify dedication to volunteerism, Public service, and community outreach and building. This monetary award will help alleviate the recipient of any financial burden incurred by the higher/continuing education institute the recipient attends.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- **Be a Plainfield High School graduating senior**
- Demonstrate commitment to public service and community outreach
- Maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 until high school graduation

MATERIALS REQUIRED FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION

- 300 – 500 word essay
- Resume
- Official copy of high school transcript
- One letter of recommendation (not from friend or family member)
- Reference contact information from community service program

ESSAY SPECIFICS

- Describe what you have learned from volunteering.
- Explain the reason for involvement with the charity/community program.
- Provide background information on what the charity/community program does.
- Discuss your plans for volunteer work or involvement in the community following high school graduation.

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount will average \$500 - \$1,000 (one time, non-renewable)

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification



VAN WYCK BROOKS HISTORIC DISTRICT ASSOCIATION

INTRODUCTION

The Van Wyck Brooks Historic District Association was incorporated in 1978 with the specific goal of promoting the preservation, restoration and conservation of architecturally significant buildings and their settings in our district as well as the betterment of the community of the city of Plainfield as a whole.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

ALL APPLICANTS MUST:

- Be a graduating senior at Plainfield High School in good standing
- Have an overall 2.8 GPA or better
- Submit proof of acceptance to a 2 or 4 year post-secondary institution
- Provide evidence of service to school or community

SPECIAL ESSAY

Submit a typewritten 350-word minimum, 500-word maximum essay. You are asked to respond to ONE of the following questions:

1. Write an essay on a topic that you are passionate about and why it is important to you.
2. Recognizing the division that exists in our country at this time, how would you reach out to try to understand someone who holds opinions that don not agree with yours?
3. You've just learned that one of America's young billionaires is looking for a project to improve public education in the United States. Your high school was chosen to receive a large grant. If you were to respond to her/him, how would you like to see the money spend and why?

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

Award amount: \$2,500.00

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.



YOLANDA VAN FLEET/WILL J. HEARD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

INTRODUCTION

This 10th Annual Yolanda Van Fleet/Will Heard Memorial Scholarship is a competitive scholarship that is available to Plainfield High School Seniors. The scholarship was established by Mrs. Pennie Quintana, Mr. Bob Quintana, Mr. Will Heard and Mr. Otis Brown to commemorate the lives of Mrs. Yolanda Russell Van Fleet, a Plainfield native and graduate of Plainfield High School. (Class of 1975), and Mr. Willie James Heard, an entrepreneur and founder of the Heard One Complex in Plainfield, NJ.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

- Academic achievement, including grade point average and test scores, as well as challenging coursework. (Minimum 2.5 GPA)
- Leadership and service experiences
- Letter of Recommendation (Character reference)
- Awards and Recognitions
- School Acceptance letter (From a trade / technical, 2 year or 4 year school), scholarship application, high school transcript and ACT/SAT test scores.

SPECIAL ESSAY

Please write an essay giving examples of how you currently **live** the principles below. Include where you believe you will be 10 years from now, and how implementing these principles in your life will help you get there.

- Integrity, Love, Service, Courage, Excellence, Family, Faith & Possibility

AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIP

\$2,500.00 for each recipient

This organization's participation is subject to change without further notification.



Please submit all documents in the following order for all applications:

Completed Application

- 1. Essay (s) (with titles and your full name written)**
- 2. Activities Resume (if requested)**
- 3. Recommendation Letters (with all applications)**
- 4. Community Service Hours Log (if requested)**
- 5. Transcript**
- 6. Other**

Congratulations for Participating!