

SCHOLARSHIPS AND CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

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REMINDERS

Seniors:

- Do you need to work on your applications, resumes, college essays or scholarships? Sign up for our Guidance Department through our Google Classroom. The Class code is **e275ae5**. Within the classroom you will find links to everything you might need for your 12th grade year and beyond.
- Type up your resume and have it ready for when you apply for jobs, college and scholarships.
- Visit colleges you are interested in, attend college fairs and open houses. A few places may still hold virtual open houses and tours only.
- Begin applying to colleges. Prepare your application carefully. Follow the instructions, and **PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO DEADLINES!** Be sure to ask your counselor and teachers **at least two weeks** before your application deadlines to submit the necessary documents to colleges (your transcript, letters of recommendation, etc.).
- Tell your school counselor if you apply to college... your transcript needs to be sent out. TRANSCRIPTS are sent through [Maia](#). After you finish applying, go to this link to submit your transcript request:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1HShTevVMU2dJjXd5QIEUxKLpI6SbvimEOyjm0_0C9TU/edit

Juniors:

- Begin researching college and career options...SmartFutures through Clever or Maia are great places to start.
- Set up an account on College Board (www.collegeboard.org). Practice for your SAT through BlueBook.
- Start registering for the March 14th SAT (Deadline to register is February 27th).
- Volunteer for activities that matter to you and reflect your personality. Volunteering looks great on a college application and adds to your quality of life.

Sophomores:

- Get involved in activities outside the classroom. Work towards leadership positions in the activities that you like best. Become involved in community service and other volunteer activities.
- Begin researching college and career options...SmartFutures through Clever or Maia are great places to start.

Freshmen:

- Get involved with extracurricular activities!
- Begin researching college and career options...SmartFutures through Clever or Maia are great places to start.

IMPORTANT DATES!

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| • February 2 nd to 6 th | National School Counseling Week |
| • February 3 rd | Curriculum Night |
| • February 13 th | Early Dismissal |
| • February 16 th | No School – Presidents’ Day |



Check college websites to schedule official tours

NATIONAL SCHOOL COUNSELING WEEK



FEB. 2-6
2026

**School Counselors
Amplify Student Success**

Curriculum



Night

Postponed to
February 3rd

CURRICULUM NIGHT

JANUARY 28, 2026

6:00 - 8:00 PM

VETERANS MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM

Career Spotlight

School Counselor



Brief Job Description

School counselors help students develop academic and social skills. Career counselors and advisors help people choose a path to employment.

School counselors work in public and private schools. Career counselors and advisors are employed primarily in colleges and universities but also work in career centers and private practice. Both types of counselors usually work full time.

Education

School counselors are licensed and credentialed by the state/territory where they are employed. Typically, licensure requires documented school counseling education and coursework from an accredited college/university (Master's Degree), completion of practicum and internship in a K-12 school, as well as passage of a state or national comprehensive test (e.g., Praxis). State requirements vary by state.

More Info

School Counselors made a median salary of \$65,140 in 2024. The best-paid 25% made \$83,490 that year, while the lowest-paid 25% made \$51,690. School Counselors made a median salary of \$65,140 in 2024. The best-paid 25% made \$83,490 that year, while the lowest-paid 25% made \$51,690.

Key Skills:

- Empathy
- Genuineness
- Active Listening
- Communication Skills
- Analytical Skills
- Decision Making Skills
- Interpersonal Skills
- Organizational Skills

Colleges and Universities that Offer Degrees as School Counselors

Scranton

Marywood

Pitt

Penn State

Kutztown

West Chester

Messiah

Commonwealth

Duquesne

Eastern



Western Wayne High School students uses Maia to research colleges, careers, link their Common App, send transcripts and letters of recommendation.

Maia Student Overview

Click on the video link to learn more about the program:

<https://vimeo.com/449477120/51addff880>



Smart Futures is a Pittsburgh-based non-profit software development organization in the field of education and workforce development. Our mission is to provide schools and education agencies with SmartFutures.org, an online career planning and portfolio platform that helps all students be ready for post-secondary success.

SmartFutures.org uses Pennsylvania's Academic Standards for Career Education and Work as a blueprint for the software's development. Implemented in hundreds of schools and agencies in our home state, SmartFutures.org now serves as a proven framework to delivering career planning, skill credentialing, and eMentoring within any classroom in the United States.

Use your Clever Account to log-in!




Test Dates	Registration Deadlines	Late Registration Deadlines
August 23, 2025	August 8, 2025	August 12, 2025
<u>September 13, 2025 (New)</u>	<u>August 29, 2025</u>	<u>September 2, 2025</u>
October 4, 2025	September 19, 2025	September 23, 2025
November 8, 2025	October 24, 2025	October 28, 2025
December 6, 2025	November 21, 2025	November 25, 2025
March 14, 2026	February 27, 2026	March 3, 2026
May 2, 2026	April 17, 2026	April 21, 2026
June 6, 2026	May 22, 2026	May 26, 2026

Fee waivers are available for the SAT and ACT test. Students who receive free or reduced lunch may qualify. See your School Counselor for details.

SAT Prep Programs:

- BlueBook with your College Board log-in.
- Princeton Review – SAT Prep. Local location is University of Scranton. Log onto <http://www.princetonreview.com/college/sat-test-prep>
- Kaplan Testing Centers offers SAT prep classes in the Pittston/Wilkes-Barre Area. Log onto www.kaptest.com for details.
- SAT Practice. <https://sat.collegeboard.org/practice/>
- SAT prep courses are available at Penn State Worthington campus. Call 570-963-2600. Or https://scranton.psu.edu/SAT-prep?utm_source=constant&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=cbdco_spring&utm_content=announce
- SAT prep courses are available at Wilkes University. Call 570-408-5615.



SAT / ACT PREP COURSE 2025 – 2026


**Calling all
Freshman/Sophomores**


Pennsylvania AHEC is offering a discount on the [Princeton Review](#) year-long SAT & ACT Self-Paced Prep Course to eligible high school students.

The course is originally offered for \$499, but through a partnership with AHEC, students will be able to access the course for \$75 for each test prep.

Scholarships are available to eligible students. Please contact Valerie Williams at vwilliams@nepa-ahec.org to learn more.

REGISTER NOW





EXTENSIVE PRACTICE MATERIALS

- ✓ 5 SAT full-length practice tests
- ✓ 365 days access to online materials
- ✓ Thousands of practice questions & drills
- ✓ Online videos with bite-sized content lessons
- ✓ Detailed Score Analysis for each practice test

WHY CHOOSE US?

- ✓ NEW SAT Dashboard
- ✓ Progress Summary At-A-Glance
- ✓ Detailed Performance Insights & Review

FOR MORE INFORMATION

- 📞 570-209-9644
- 📍 164 Scranton Carbondale Hwy Archbald, PA, 18403
- 🌐 nepa-ahec.org

CLEP

Shorten Your Path to a College Degree. **Western Wayne High School is an ONLINE TESTING SITE for CLEP!!!! What is CLEP?** CLEP (College Level Examination Program) is the most widely accepted faster **credit-by-examination program** in the United States today, helping students of all ages earn college degrees faster by getting credit for what they already know. By receiving a satisfactory score, you can earn from **3 to 12 college credits** toward your college degree for each CLEP you take, depending on the exam subject. **SAVE TIME.** Get college credit for what you already know. Be rewarded for what you've learned through independent study, advanced high school courses, noncredit adult courses, or professional development. CLEP offers 33 examinations in five subject areas. The tests cover material usually taught in a two-year degree program or in the first two years of a four-year program. Exams contain mainly multiple-choice questions. College Composition and a few other exams contain other types of questions and essays. For a complete list of CLEP tests and to schedule a testing time please see Mr. Fitzsimmons in the school counseling office.

College Applications

What is **Early Action**?

Early action is the early admission program in which applying early will get you an early answer. This program usually asks students to apply by November 1 and the college responds with a decision by mid-December. However, you are not required to make your decision until the regular May reply date, giving you time to compare financial aid packages between colleges. Early action is non-binding, which means you do not have to attend the college if you are accepted. The advantage of the early action program is that you find out whether you are accepted sooner rather than later, giving you time to enjoy the last few months of your senior year without having to worry about being accepted into college.

What is **Early Decision**?

Early decision is similar to early action in that you can apply early (usually by November 1) and get an early answer from your college about acceptance (usually around mid-December). However, with early decision, there is a catch. Early decision plans are binding. This means that if you apply to a college via the early decision process, you must attend that college if accepted and offered an adequate financial aid package. Thus, you can only apply to **one** early decision school. You can, however, apply to other colleges under regular admission. If you are accepted by your early decision college, then you must withdraw all other applications. Keep in mind that early decision may not be your best option if you want to compare financial aid packages between colleges. Early decision colleges usually offer students a better chance of admission if they apply early. When you research schools with the early decision option, check out the acceptance rates for students who apply early decision versus regular admission. The early decision acceptance rates are usually higher.



Western Wayne's Procedures for Submitting College Applications

1. Students applying to a college should notify their school counselor.
2. Some college/universities will waive the applications fee if you visit their campus. Other colleges/universities have free online college applications. Students having financial difficulties covering the application fee should see their guidance counselor.
3. **TRANSCRIPT REQUEST- CURRENT STUDENTS:** Are processed through Maia. Students will request a transcript through this link:
https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1HShTevVMU2dJjXd5QIEUxKLpI6SbvimEOyjm0_OC9TU/edit
4. Your transcript may include your SAT and ACT scores. Many colleges have gone to "Test Optional" policies (see each college to determine if they are test optional). Check to make sure Guidance has your most up to date scores. A few colleges require that you have your SAT/ACT sent directly from the College Board/ACT program. It is your responsibility to have the scores sent. Questions...see your school counselor.
5. Fee waivers are available for most colleges if you received a fee waiver for the SAT or ACT. See your school counselor for an application fee waiver.
6. Students requesting counselor Letters of Recommendation must request the letter at least **TWO WEEKS** in advance.
7. In most instances **Early Decision** applications should be submitted around November 1st. This can vary, so watch your dates! Regular Decision applications should be submitted as soon as possible. If you are uncertain about application deadlines see your school counselor.
8. **Mid-year grades** will be sent to colleges that require them. It is the student's responsibility to notify the Guidance Office about sending out midyear grades.
9. Final transcripts will be sent to the college that the student will attend. **FINAL TRANSCRIPT REQUESTS** will be given to seniors at the end of the school year. *Remember, college admissions representatives review all senior year grades very carefully.*

**Students and parents are encouraged to contact their
School Counselor with any questions or concerns.**

NEED HELP?

Many parents see college as a necessity for their children, and starting early and saving regularly can make all the difference. **Upromise** is a college savings network sponsored by America's leading companies. Simply, when you buy a product or service from a participating company, they contribute a portion of your spending into an Upromise account for your loved one. Best off all, it's absolutely **FREE!** Just register at www.upromise.com

The **Wayne County Public Assistance** provides services to eligible clients. Anyone residing in Wayne County meeting eligibility may apply for Medical Assistance, Food Stamps, Cash Assistance, and Home Energy Assistance. Call 570-253-7100. Application can also be processed on the Internet at www.compass.state.pa.us

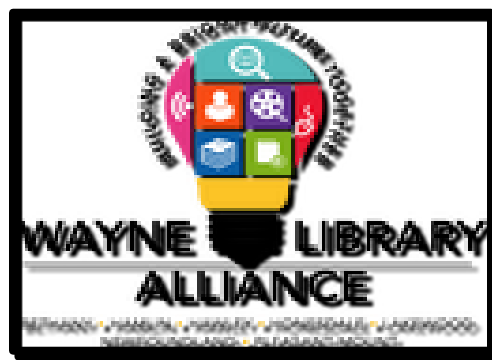
Job Applicants interested in applying for **PA State Civil Service Jobs** should log onto www.scsc.state.pa.us

Information & Referral County-Wide System Now residents can call WINFO Line at 253-5986 or 866-253-5986 (for those out of the local calling area) for any human service referrals. This free, confidential line is available for assistance Monday-Friday from 9:00am-4:00pm. Email information requests can be sent to landr@co.wayne.pa.us Since 1998, the Wayne County Human Services Agency has worked on the development of a computer program capable of storing and retrieving information concerning services, eligibility, access, etc., so it may be quickly retrieved by topic in response to a caller's question on what human services are available. To date, over 700 agencies with thousands of services have been entered into this system.

The Wayne County Office of Behavioral & Developmental Programs & Early Intervention launched a new Crisis Line on Thursday, July 1, in partnership with the [Center for Community Resources](#) (CCR). Through the toll-free number, **1-833-557-3224 (1-833-55REACH)** CCR provides mental health crisis intervention services, both telephone and mobile, 24 hours a day/7 days a week. Beginning on July 1st, individuals calling Wayne Crisis will reach a live, compassionate, and caring crisis counselor. Individuals calling Wayne Crisis can talk to the crisis counselor on the phone or request that the counselor come to see them in the community. For more information or questions please contact John Nebzydoski at 570-253-9200 or jnebydoski@waynecountypa.gov .

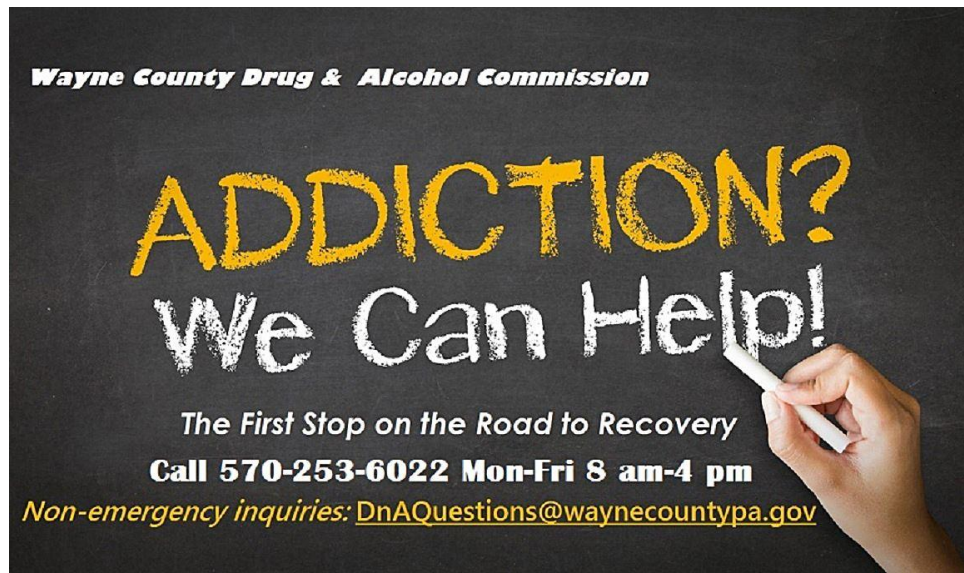


<https://www.libraryhamlin.org/home>



<https://www.waynelibraries.org/>

Wayne County Drug & Alcohol Commission



The Wayne County Drug & Alcohol Commission is a public non-profit agency. The Commission is fully licensed by the Pennsylvania Department of Health, and the Bureau of Drug & Alcohol Programs. The Wayne County Drug and Alcohol Commission is committed to providing prevention, early intervention, and comprehensive drug-free treatment services to the Wayne County area.

Contact Information: (570) 253-6022

HOTLINE TO REPORT UNDERAGE DRINKING

Put a stop to underage drinking, before it starts and before it leads to tragedy. Someone always knows about an underage drinking party. Callers to **888-UNDER-21** can report underage drinking parties that are planned or in progress. You can also report establishments that are selling or serving alcohol to those under 21 and people who are manufacturing and selling false identification.

DON'T DEAL WITH DRUGS & ALCOHOL ALONE

NOT READY TO SPILL IT
IN THE GROUP CHAT?

WE GET IT

TEXT

717-216-0905

CHAT



1-800-662-HELP

FREE AND CONFIDENTIAL



Pennsylvania
Department of Drug and
Alcohol Programs



Penn State Days

Visit Penn State's campuses to learn more about our powerful network across the state of Pennsylvania. These campus-wide open houses will include energetic meetings with admissions representatives and opportunities to learn about our top-notch academics, student life, and so much more.

Each Penn State campus offers its own vibrant community, and we encourage you to visit multiple campuses to discover what makes each one uniquely Penn State.

For more information check out <https://apply.psu.edu/portal/ua-pr-psd>



At Pitt, you'll find countless opportunities to do college your way, starting with your official campus visit. We have a variety of in-person and virtual program options to answer your questions and help you discover why Pitt could be a good fit for you. No matter which university program type you choose, you'll have the opportunity to experience what it feels like to be a Pitt Panther as a new student.

Click the link to schedule a tour:

<https://admissions.pitt.edu/visit/schedule/>



With students struggling to afford a degree, now is the crucial time to engage families and educate individuals about the variety of options to help them achieve the degree they aspire for. Our team at **AffordableColleges.com** recognized this need and curated a series of resources that delve into saving for college, financial aid and free tools, which can be of use to individuals seeking financial assistance for school. Take a look here:

529 Plan Guide:

<https://www.affordablecolleges.com/resources/college-savings-plans/>

Financial Aid Guide:

<https://www.affordablecolleges.com/resources/financial-aid-guide/>

FAFSA IS OPEN!



[HTTPS://STUDENTAID.GOV/](https://studentaid.gov/)

SCHOLARSHIP WEBSITES

College Board: <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college/scholarship-directory>

Fastweb: <http://www.fastweb.com/>

Finaid: <http://www.finaid.org/>

I'm First: <http://www.imfirst.org/>

Unigo: <https://www.unigo.com>

Scholarship America: <https://scholarshipamerica.org/students/browse-scholarships>

Student Scholarships: <https://studentscholarships.org>

College Xpress: www.collegexpress.com

Free Scholarship Search: <https://www.salliemae.com/college-planning/tools/scholarship-search>

Scholarships.com: www.niche.com/colleges/scholarships

*****Deadlines vary and new scholarships can pop up at any time!**

Western Wayne High School Guidance

Scholarships 2025-26

February Issue

Scholarship	Criteria	Due Date	Application Location
Elks National Foundation – Legacy Awards	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. For the 2026 contest, any child or grandchild (or step-child, step-grandchild, or legal ward) of a living Elk who joined the Order on or before April 1, 2023, or a charter member of a Lodge that was instituted on or after April 1, 2023, is eligible to apply. The Elk must have paid Lodge dues for the last two contiguous years through March 31, 2026. Great-grandchildren are not eligible. 2. The applicant must be a high school senior. 3. The applicant must apply online only. The 2026 Legacy Awards application deadline is February 2, 2026, 11:59 a.m. Pacific Time. NOTE: This is NOON, mid-day, Pacific time. 4. If the applicant's parent and grandparent are both Elk members, the applicant must select the parent's Elks Lodge on the application. 5. We have waived the standardized test requirement for the 2026 Legacy contest. You do not need to submit ACT and/or SAT scores. 6. Students may apply for more than one ENF 	February 2, 2026	https://www.elks.org/scholarships/Legacy.cfm#WhoIsEligible

	<p>scholarship; however, they may win only one. In cases where the student wins more than one, we will award the scholarship with the greater value. Students can accept local and state scholarships, which are separate from the awards at the national level.</p> <p>7. Legacy Awards may only be applied to accredited US American schools, colleges or universities. (Note: Applicants from Panama, Puerto Rico and the Philippines may apply Legacy Awards toward schools, colleges or universities in their respective homes.)</p> <p>8. If you are selected as a 2026 Legacy Awards recipient, to further strengthen your connection to the #ElksFamily, you must complete an act of service with a Lodge at least three times during your collegiate career. Click here for more information about serving with the Elks.</p>		
PACAC Scholarship	The PACAC Scholarships are for high school seniors graduating from PACAC member high schools. This scholarship is intended to support a student's goal of continuing their education. There will be one (1) Scholarship awarded at the \$1,500 level, and four (4) Scholarships awarded at the \$1,000 level. The top recipient receives the \$1,500 Scholarship in memory of one of our PACAC founding fathers, Benjamin James. The other four recipients receive a \$1,000 Scholarship. These are one-time, nonrenewable scholarships.	February 2, 2026	https://app.goingmerry.com/scholarships/pacac-scholarship/90015
The Rotary Club of Hamlin/Lake	Theme: Unite for Good Rotary International's theme this year, Unite for Good, reminds us that meaningful change happens when	February 6, 2026	See Guidance for details.

<p>Ariel Essay Contest</p>	<p>people come together with a shared purpose. Students are invited to reflect on how collaboration, service, and perseverance can create lasting impact.</p> <p>Essay Prompt: Please reflect on the meaning of Unite for Good in your own life, school, or community. Describe a specific example where uniting for a common purpose made a difference. Why is it important to think beyond short-term goals and build something that endures? Essays should demonstrate reflection on Rotary’s values and highlight how collaboration, service, and commitment can help shape a better world.</p> <p>Format: Approximately 1,000 words, Typewritten and double-spaced</p> <p>PRIZES: \$1,000 — FIRST PLACE (District-Level) / \$100 — FIRST PLACE (Club-Level) \$500 — SECOND PLACE (District) / \$50 — SECOND PLACE (Club-Level) \$250 — THIRD PLACE (District) / \$25 — THIRD PLACE (Club-Level)</p>		
<p>Horatio Alger Scholarship (Seniors)</p>	<p>The Horatio Alger Association is seeking students who display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity, and plan to pursue a bachelor’s degree. Students must have financial need and a determination to turn adversity into opportunity and pursue their American Dream.</p> <p>Eligibility Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be enrolled full time as a high school senior in the United States • Exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a bachelor’s degree at one of the target colleges/universities on our website (complete list can be found here: Senior Scholarships) • Demonstrate financial need (\$100,000 or lower household income) 	<p>February 15, 2026</p>	<p>https://horatioalger.org/scholarships-and-services/undergraduate-scholarships/?_class_year=hs-senior</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be involved in co-curricular and community service activities • Display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity • Minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 • Be a United States citizen 		
Wayne/Pike County Farm Bureau Scholarship	<p>The Wayne/Pike County Farm Bureau is pleased to announce their scholarship opportunity for area high school seniors. All seniors in the Wayne/Pike County Farm Bureau service area, which include Wayne and Pike counties, are encouraged to apply. A monetary total will be divided among winning candidates at the discretion of the Wayne/Pike County Farm Bureau. The cash awards may be used toward tuition, room, board, books and school supplies.</p> <p>The Wayne/Pike County Farm Bureau offers the "Agriculture, The Heart of a Growing Wayne/ County" Scholarship to deserving high school seniors as a way to heighten a long-term interest in agriculture and its varied positive impacts in our area. The local Farm Bureau also hopes to promote student consideration of the growing field of agricultural career opportunities such as: Food Science Processing, Nutrition, Biotechnology, Wildlife Conservation, Botany, Forestry, Natural Resources Management, Renewable Energy, Mechanics, Landscaping, Ag Education, Ag Communications, Animal Science, Horticulture and Agronomy.</p> <p>Area of study: Food Science Processing, Nutrition, Biotechnology, Wildlife Conservation, Botany, Forestry, Natural Resources Management, Renewable Energy, Mechanics, Landscaping, Ag Education, Ag Communications, Animal Science, Horticulture and Agronomy.</p>	February 21, 2026	See Guidance for details.

<p>Grey Towers Legacy Scholarship</p>	<p>Eligible Applicants: The scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors with a 3.0 GPA pursuing a career in natural resource management, environmental science, ecology, and/or conservation education at an accredited 2-year or 4-year university, community college, or technical school. The selected student’s continuing education enrollment can be full-time or part-time. To apply, the student must attend a high school in one of the following counties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pike County, Pennsylvania • Monroe County, Pennsylvania • Wayne County, Pennsylvania • Sussex County, New Jersey • Orange County, New York 	<p>February 28, 2026</p>	<p>https://greytowers.org/wp-content/uploads/2025-GT-Scholarship-Application.pdf</p> <p>or</p> <p>See Guidance for details.</p>
<p>Blair E. Caboot Memorial Scholarship</p>	<p>The Northeastern Pennsylvania Council of Teachers of Mathematics (NPCTM) annually presents a \$1000 scholarship to a deserving senior student from northeastern Pennsylvania. The scholarship is in memory of Blair E. Caboot, a past President of NPCTM and mathematics educator in the Abington Heights School District and Keystone College. The scholarship applicant should excel in mathematics in high school and have future plans in a mathematics-related field.</p> <p>Eligible applicants must attend school in one of the following counties: Bradford, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe, Pike, Susquehanna, Sullivan, Wayne, & Wyoming.</p>	<p>March 1, 2026</p>	<p>https://sites.google.com/ctclc.edu/npctm/scholarship-information?authuser=0</p>
<p>Horatio Alger Scholarship (Juniors)</p>	<p>The Horatio Alger Association is seeking students who display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity, and plan to pursue a bachelor’s degree. Students must have financial need and a determination to turn adversity into opportunity and pursue their American Dream.</p> <p>Eligibility Requirements:</p>	<p>March 1, 2026</p>	<p>https://mailchi.mp/058c214edca0/600-scholarships-up-to-25000-each-16090334?e=42ce0e7ac3</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be enrolled full time as a high school junior in the United States • Exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a bachelor's degree at an accredited non-profit public or private institution in the United States • Demonstrate financial need (\$100,000 or lower household income) • Be involved in co-curricular and community service activities • Display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity • Minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 • Be a United States citizen 		
<p>Peoples Security Bank & Trust Scholarship</p>	<p>The PSBT Scholarship Award supports 10 graduating high school seniors by easing the financial burden of higher education. Applicants are evaluated on academic excellence, leadership, community involvement, and financial need. Recipients receive a grant for tuition, books, or other expenses at an accredited institution. This program reflects Peoples Security Bank & Trust's commitment to community development and empowering future leaders.</p> <p>Selection Criteria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate commitment to community service. • Provide a well written essay. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Topic for this year's essay: <i>You've been asked to design a banking app for young adults. What unique features would you include, and how</i> 	<p>March 1, 2026</p>	<p>https://www.psbtc.com/Learn/PSBT-Difference/PSBT-Scholarship-Award</p>

	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>would it encourage smart financial habits?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exhibit academic achievement. • Have a financial need. 		
Scranton Area Community Foundation Scholarships	<p>SACF is honored to be the stewards of over 90 scholarship funds established by philanthropically minded individuals in our community. Generous donors entrust us to connect them to dynamic students to provide financial resources for their education through scholarships. Our donors establish scholarship funds with criteria they wish to be met by applicants. Our scholarship committee considers the criteria, evaluates the submitted applications, and chooses the best candidates for each scholarship.</p>	March 1, 2026	https://safdn.org/scholarship-application/
Wayne Memorial Hospital Auxiliary Nursing Scholarship	<p>The Wayne Memorial Hospital Auxiliary is pleased to announce we are able to again offer scholarships to a graduating senior pursuing a career in nursing and living in the vicinity of Wayne Memorial Hospital. Applicants must be applying for fall admission to an accredited nursing program and be notified of their acceptance prior to high school graduation. The scholarship money is a one time payment to the student and/or their college/university where the recipient is enrolled. The amount of the scholarship is still to be determined.</p> <p>Required items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Copy of completed application • Copy of official high school transcript • Two letters of recommendation • A 1-2 page essay describing the reason for pursuing a career in nursing and the reason for applying for scholarship. Two page max • Copy of letter of acceptance to an accredited nursing program. MUST be entering the nursing program 	March 10, 2026	See Guidance for details.

	<p>upon entering the college/university.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Photo of applicant and signed photo release 		
R.E.S.C.U.E. Benjamin B. Stone Memorial Scholarship	<p>Established by the staunch environmental organization "Return Susquehanna County Under Ecology" to recognize Benjamin's courageous and life-long efforts that both halted threatening pollution to our region and established the Susquehanna County Recycling Center. Provides two post-secondary scholarships to high school graduates who write a winning essay addressing his or her past environmental interests and accomplishments and describing future plans to protect the environment. The delegated selection committee is responsible for selecting the recipient in consultation with The Community Foundation.</p>	March 15, 2026	https://community-foundation.org/fund/r-e-s-c-u-e-benjamin-b-stone-memorial-scholarship/
The Vanessa Joy Van Gorder Memorial Scholarship	<p>This \$2,500 scholarship is open to high school seniors planning to pursue a career in education or environmental studies.</p>	March 20, 2026	See Guidance for details.
LHTC Broadband Scholarship	<p>A Western Wayne graduating senior looking to further their education. The award will be two \$2000 scholarships.</p>	March 31, 2026	See Guidance for details.
The Hideout Sons and Daughters of Italy Lodge 3010 Scholarship	<p>2 scholarships are available for \$1000 each</p> <p>Academic Scholarship: Open to any senior of Italian descent that is enrolled (by senior night) in a 4-year college.</p> <p>Tech School Scholarship: Open to any senior of Italian descent that is enrolled (by senior night) in an accredited vocational school or tech school program.</p> <p>Candidates need to submit the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. State which scholarship they are applying for and list their school or program of enrollment. 	April 1, 2026	See Guidance for details.

	<p>2. Letter of Recommendation: Submit a letter from 1 reference (teachers, professors, or educational administrators). Please make sure the letter has contact information in case the reference needs to be discussed.</p> <p>3. Essay: Submit an original essay of 200-500 words about a personal experience that demonstrated or generated pride in your Italian heritage.</p>		
Jennifer Killam Memorial Scholarship	<p>Through this scholarship we honor Jennifer Killam, a Jaycee and beautiful individual. A dedicated educator who touched the lives of many, this scholarship award is established to celebrate her passion for teaching and her unwavering commitment to her students. Jen made a lasting impact at Wallenpaupack Area High School, where she supported special education students with compassion and understanding. This scholarship serves as a tribute to her legacy, inspiring future educators to advocate for and empower vulnerable learners, just as she did throughout her remarkable career</p>	April 1, 2026	https://www.honesdalejaycees.org/scholarship
Men's College Scholarship	<p>The scholarship is designed to identify and reward outstanding high school seniors who have demonstrated an ability to excel in the fields of academics, extra-curricular school activities and community involvement. The scholarship is available to any male, graduating high school senior who is enrolling in a four-year undergraduate college program that commences in the fall. The scholarship is awarded through the Foundation for Fraternal Excellence, a registered 501(c)3 organization. Current or future membership in a fraternity is not required.</p>	April 1, 2026	https://givagrants.com/register/5b47752f-3fcf-4b44-92b1-bb21bbdf97dc

	<p>REQUIREMENTS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Must be a graduating high school senior in the United States • Must identify as male • Must have access to a U.S. bank account (for direct fund deposit if selected) 		
<p>Perry/Westgate Memorial Scholarship</p>	<p>Amount of Scholarship \$1000.00</p> <p>Contest is open to any student entering a 2- or 4-year college under an agricultural, conservation, or environmentally oriented college curriculum. If there are any questions regarding the curriculum you plan to study, contact the office. Some examples would be Animal Husbandry, Agricultural Engineering, Aquatic Biology, Soil Sciences, Parks and Recreation, Forest Sciences, Agronomy, Wildlife Biology, etc.</p> <p>STUDENT MUST BE ENTERING FIRST YEAR OF COLLEGE IN CURRENT YEAR.</p> <p>The contest is open to Wayne County students only.</p> <p>There is no discrimination to race or sex.</p> <p>The scholarship is for one payment of \$500 the first year of college and one payment of \$500 the second year of college. Payments will be made directly to the school that the winner is planning to attend. Before the second payment is made the winner will be responsible for submitting a copy of the first year transcript and a confirmation from the college that the student is still enrolled in a qualifying curriculum.</p> <p>The application is to be completed to the best of the student's ability.</p> <p>One letter of reference must be included with the application. The</p>	<p>April 2, 2026</p>	<p>See Guidance for details.</p>

	<p>reference may not be a teacher or family member.</p> <p>A one page, double-spaced essay describing future goals and objectives must be submitted with the student's application.</p> <p>A transcript of the applicant's educational record must be included.</p> <p>The school's guidance counselor or principal must sign the application for the contest.</p> <p>The judging is completed using the application and material submitted, and how much the activities and information given pertain to the college curriculum that is chosen.</p>		
Wayne County Community Foundation Scholarship	The Wayne County Community Foundation's Scholarship Committee reviews all applications for the scholarships the Foundation services and make selections aligned with the scholarship sponsor's directions. In the case of scholarships held by independent parties, said party's scholarship review board is responsible for applicant selection.	April 3, 2026	https://www.waynefoundation.org/Scholarships/about
The Albert O. Miller, Dorothy Tozer Miller, and Savona Commandery #89 Scholarship	The Albert O. Miller, Dorothy Tozer Miller, and Savona Commandery #89 Scholarship Fund was established by the last will and testament of Dorothy Tozer Miller. The Millers understood and advocated the primary masonic ideals of education, worship and charity. This scholarship fund was established to promote intellectual enlightenment among the youth of Wayne County, Pennsylvania. Criteria: High school and college students in Wayne County, PA	April 10, 2026	https://www.hnbbank.bank/scholarships
EverGreen Elementary PTA Scholarship	Awarded to a Western Wayne senior. The selected graduate must have attended EverGreen Elementary for a minimum of two years. They will continue their education after high school at a	April 10, 2026	See Guidance for details.

	college, junior college, trade or business school.		
The First WW Graduating Class Scholarship	The 1973 class was the first to graduate from Western Wayne High School. In January 1973, students were asked to make significant changes by moving to their new school for the greater good of the new Western Wayne High School. This class would like to award a graduating senior from Western Wayne that demonstrates positive leadership skills, influences those around him/her in an inspiring/positive way, rises to change and challenges, and maintains a positive attitude despite adversity.	April 10, 2026	See Guidance for details.
The Lackawaxen River Conservancy Scholarship	<p>The Lackawaxen River Conservancy Scholarship is open to all college-bound twelfth-grade students who</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • attend school in the Lackawaxen Watershed. (The high schools in the Lackawaxen Watershed are Honesdale H. S., Wallenpaupack Area H.S., Western Wayne H. S., and Canaan Christian Academy H. S.) • intend to pursue a career supporting environmental conservation • plan to major in college in a subject area that will lead to the achievement of this career goal. <p><u>The amount of the award is \$500.</u></p> <p>APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Completed student application 2. Essay discussing an environmental issue of concern to applicant and why. 3. School report and recommendation from counselor 4. Official transcript including GPA. 5. High school profile 	April 10, 2026	See Guidance for details.

	<p>6. Recommendation from a science teacher</p> <p>7. Deadline: April 10, 2026</p>		
RDW PTA Scholarship	<p>Awarded to a Western Wayne senior. The selected graduate must have attended R.D. Wilson Elementary for a minimum of two years. They will continue their education after high school at a college, junior college, trade or business school.</p>	April 10, 2026	See Guidance for details.
Mark Graziadio Memorial Scholarship	<p>The Wayne County Democratic Committee is pleased to announce the third annual Mark Graziadio Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship honors the memory of Mark Graziadio, a former chair of the Wayne County Democratic Committee. Mark had a deep commitment to help foster an understanding of the ideals that helped build our country and government. We hope that this scholarship inspires activism in Wayne County. The 2026 Scholarship will be for \$1000.</p> <p>Requirements</p> <p>Wayne County resident</p> <p>Senior in high school, graduating in 2026</p> <p>At least a "C" average</p> <p>Furthering education beyond high school (e.g., trade school, or college/university)</p> <p>Completion of an essay about civic engagement (approximately 500 words)</p>	April 14, 2026	https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScZXaV1T5eoH2VMOH5qXJSpDcjGaYSLtXqaf25uHATH_szi7w/viewform
Human Resources Foundation Scholarship	<p>The Human Resources Foundation is pleased to offer eight annual \$1,000.00 scholarships to college-bound high school seniors in all Susquehanna, Wayne, Pike, and Monroe County School Districts. Students eligible for our scholarships are those planning to</p>	April 15, 2026	https://www.hrfnepa.org/scholarships

	<p>pursue a career in Human Services, Health Care, Social Work, or Special Education, as well as Vo-Tech careers in Construction, HVAC or Electrical Technology. We prefer that applicants use our online scholarship form, but we have provided a downloadable version below. Additionally, we request the submission of the student’s transcript and any relevant test scores.</p>		
Jeremy J Hiller Scholarship	<p>This scholarship is open to all graduating seniors pursuing college <i>or</i> trade/technical school.</p>	April 15, 2026	https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeNdw0hCrO7Ypiarcz54SxuUSAPTJdHRI3yagier9m1AhU_rw/viewform
Pennsylvania House of Representatives Scholarship	<p>Criteria Scholarship applicants will be evaluated on the following criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Graduating High School Senior 2. Legal residency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 3. Attendance at a Pennsylvania college, university, or career school as a full-time student 4. Academic achievement (minimum of 3.0 cumulative GPA in high school) 5. Commitment to community and demonstrated leadership qualities 6. Extracurricular activities 7. Financial need <p>Essay With the growing popularity of Artificial Intelligence (AI), should AI be used in the legislative process (i.e. researching ideas, drafting legislation)? Discuss the potential risks and benefits of AI and what policies you would introduce to regulate AI usage in the legislative process.</p>	April 15, 2026	https://www.tfec.org/scholarships-archive/pahr/?fbclid=IwDGRleAPdn5tleHRuA2FibQlxMQBzcnRjBmFwcF9pZAo2Njl4NTY4Mzc5AAEe48D0L2xJCVYZjL9VUtsJJ9z_X9vdu0zDsbl_43jphSwsqYur7yp_xV7HWs_aem_kSLF7l2fWZqv7H0gTBMYig

<p>Sydney Fahrenbach Scholarship</p>	<p>The 2025 Sydney Fahrenbach Memorial Scholarship is a scholarship worth \$1000 awarded by Sydney’s family to a senior female athlete of good academic standing, and who upon high school graduation will continue her education.</p>	<p>April 17, 2026</p>	<p>See Guidance for details.</p>
<p>Elm Tree Physical Therapy Scholarship</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •List all activities, achievements, volunteerism, employment, and extra-curricular activities throughout your high school career. •List the college/university you plan on attending post high school. Students must pursue a major in Physical Therapy or a related field. •Essay is required. Why I am pursuing a career in physical therapy •Attach a high school transcript to the application. 	<p>April 24, 2026</p>	<p>See Guidance for details.</p>
<p>Wayne County Business & Professional Women Scholarship</p>	<p>Requirements:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Current or most recent Transcript; 2. Proof of enrollment in college or vocational training program; 3. Two (2) letters of Recommendation from two (2) different sources. Recommendations can’t be from a relative. Recommendations from a teacher, professor, guidance counselor, school official, employer, clergy, and the like are preferred; 4. An essay which addresses your specific educational and career goals and how your educational endeavor will help you accomplish these goals and/or make a difference in your professional career. Include information concerning your background, your family, education, volunteer activities; your goals in life; your strengths/weaknesses, and the reasons why you want 	<p>April 24, 2026</p>	<p>See Guidance for details.</p>

	<p>to pursue your selected career. The Wayne County Business and Professional Women’s Scholarship Committee will consider your essay carefully when your application is evaluated. It should be well thought out and relevant to your career goals. (Please limit your essay to 500 words);</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5. Certification and Release; and 6. Completed Waiver Request, if desired. 		
<p>Wayne County Business & Professional Women Walk of Honor Scholarship</p>	<p>Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Current or most recent Transcript; 2. Proof of enrollment in college or vocational training program; 3. Two (2) letters of Recommendation from two (2) different sources. Recommendations can’t be from a relative. Recommendations from a teacher, professor, guidance counselor, school official, employer, clergy, and the like are preferred; 4. Family Member is/was a veteran or service person 5. An essay which addresses your specific educational and career goals and how your educational endeavor will help you accomplish these goals and/or make a difference in your professional career. Include information concerning your background, your family, education, volunteer activities; your goals in life; your strengths/weaknesses, and the reasons why you want to pursue your selected career. Additionally, and most critical to this scholarship application, please discuss how the family member’s service to America impacted your life. The Wayne County Business and Professional Women’s Scholarship Committee will consider your essay carefully when your application is evaluated. It should be well thought out and relevant to your career goals. 	<p>April 24, 2026</p>	<p>See Guidance for details.</p>

	(Please limit your essay to 500 words); 6. Certification and Release; and 7. Completed Waiver Request, if desired.		
Disabled American Veterans (DAV Chapter 114) Scholarship	We just need a 3" x 5" card with: - Senior's name - Name of their parent/grandparent that is a Disabled veteran (and branch of service) - High school's name - Name of intended college, university, trade school, or military plans, etc. and along with proposed major/specialty The parent/grandparent must have been disabled (military service connected) in some way. We <u>DO NOT</u> need discharge paperwork, or Veteran Administration proof.	April 30, 2026	See Guidance for details.
Wayne County Fair Scholarship	Guidelines/Eligibility: 1. Must be a 2026 High School Graduate 2. Copy of High School Transcript 3. Copy of College Acceptance Letter 4. Submit 2 Letters of Recommendation (non family) 5. Participated at the Wayne County Fair, worked, volunteered, exhibited, etc. within the last three out of four years. 6. 2 Essay questions	April 30, 2026	See Guidance for details.
The Thorpe Merit Scholarship	The Thorpe Merit Scholarship is a \$500 award given to a graduating Western Wayne senior that demonstrates academic excellence as well as community involvement and/or extracurricular activities. Eligibility is limited to graduating seniors planning on attending a two or four year college/university or trade school.	May 1, 2026	See Guidance for details.
GDS Fair Scholarship	ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS I. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior in any of the following school districts: Delaware Valley, East Stroudsburg North, Forest City, North Pocono, Wallenpaupack, Wayne Highlands or Western Wayne including those	June 30, 2026	See Guidance for details.

	<p>enrolled in a state-approved home school program; and</p> <p>2. Applicant must be enrolled in either an Associates or Bachelor degree level program, or a post secondary trade or technical school, and is starting their courses in the summer or fall semester of the current year; and,</p> <p>3. Applicant must have contributed to community service locally or in school; and,</p> <p>4. Applicant must meet at least ONE of the following requirements: Be a member of the GDS Fair Be a child or grandchild of a member of the GDS Fair Have contributed significantly to the preparation and/or conduct of the GDS Fair in the past 3 years</p>		
<p>Pennsylvania American Legion Scholarships</p>	<p>Many different scholarships are available.</p>	<p>Check website for deadlines</p>	<p>https://pa-legion.com/programs/student-and-youth/scholarships-program/</p>

