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Scholarship:	
Last, First Name:	



Marion L. Steele High School
2024 - Local Scholarship Application Packet

A copy of this completed application must be submitted for **each scholarship** for which you are applying. When you turn in the application, make sure all pages are stapled together. **Do not put the application in an envelope and do not use paper clips.**

The following must be included in addition to this three-page application:

- A personal statement that is two pages or less, double-spaced, and typed. Include information that would help the Scholarship Donors know you and determine your eligibility or need, i.e., how you are financing your education, work experience, reasons for choosing your career goals, challenges in your life, and plans after graduation.
- A chronological list of extracurricular activities and, if any, officer positions held.
- A chronological list of organizations for which you have volunteered.
- A copy of the page: "Expected Family Contribution" (EFC) or the "Student Aid Index" (SAI) from the FAFSA.
- A transcript issued by Mrs. Jones or Ms. Santos in the Steele Counseling Office.
- Any additional requirements for specific scholarship

Notice: All scholarships may or may not be awarded in the amounts listed, depending on available funding and the appropriateness of the guidelines of the scholarship.

Return completed applications to the **Counseling Office at Marion L. Steele High School**

Deadline to submit scholarship application is **2:30pm on March 20, 2024**

All Scholarships awarded must be claimed by **September 30, 2024**

A. PERSONAL INFORMATION

First Name	
Last Name	
Address	
Address Line 2	

	Name	Occupation	Place of Employment
Mother			
Father			
Guardian			

Siblings in College

Name	College	Expected Graduation

Scholastic Information

Class Rank	GPA	SAT Score	ACT Score	EFC or SAI (FAFSA)

Prospective Colleges	
Intended Major or Career	
Honors and Scholastic Awards	

Other Financial Aid or Awards

Organization	Amount Received

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Work Experience

Organization or Company	Dates of Employment	Supervisor	Phone Number

I hereby permit scholarship providers to contact any of my teachers, supervisors, professional and educational institutions I have attended, applied to, have been accepted for admission or membership to, for further information about my attendance, performance, financial circumstances, and references. I understand that the information in my application may be shared with the scholarship advisory committee and sponsor. I acknowledge that all materials submitted in this application become the property of the Scholarship Donors and will not be returned to the sender.

Student Signature:

Date:

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Date:

B. SCHOLARSHIP LIST & DESCRIPTIONS

Scholarship	Description	Award
Amherst Administrators Scholarship	One scholarship will be awarded. In an essay, please answer the following: Based on your experience at Marion L. Steele High School, what advice would you give to an incoming freshman?	\$1,000 (X1)
Amherst Board of Education	Two scholarships will be awarded for academic achievement, involvement in extracurricular activities, and community service. Please write a one-page essay, 250 words or less, on how the Amherst Schools have helped prepare you for your future career plans. In addition, please submit a short video of you reading your essay."	\$500 (X2)

	Email Videos to: morgan_wachholz@amherstk12.org , teresa_gilles@amherstk12.org , and katheline_santos@amherstk12.org	
Amherst Student Council	To be considered for a Student Council Scholarship, a student MUST write an essay explaining the importance of school spirit and involvement in school activities. They should also include why they feel they are deserving of the scholarship and how they've shown school spirit & involvement while at MLS.	\$250 (X4)
Amherst Teacher Association (ATA) Scholarship	One scholarship will be awarded to a student who plans a career in education. A strong academic record may be considered. Written responses to the following questions are required : <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What led you to choose a career in education? 2. Describe, in as much detail as possible, a teacher who has positively influenced you (no names, please). 3. Why should we select you for this scholarship? 	\$500 (X1)
Amherst Rotary Club	The Rotary Club of Amherst is awarding a \$1,500 scholarship to an Amherst student and a specific \$500 scholarship for a student in the MedTech program. The scholarship will be awarded based on academic merit (top fifty percent of the class), student needs, and community service. Please write a one-page essay describing how your community service involvement incorporates Amherst Rotary's motto of "Service Above Self".	\$ 1,500 (X1) \$500 (X1) Med Tech
Dominic Konopka Scholarship	Dominic Konopka attended Amherst from kindergarten through high school. He graduated in 1989 from Marion L. Steele as the Salutatorian of his class with a 4.0 GPA. Some of Dominic's additional accomplishments include being an Ohio Academic Scholarship finalist, a member of the National Honor Society, a class officer, Treasurer of the Junior Achievement Economics Program, Homecoming King, Amherst Gallery of Success Committee, and a member of the Academic Hall of Fame. Dominic enjoyed many sports and found his knack in football where he rewrote the Amherst record books as a three-year Varsity letterman and senior team captain. He went on to graduate from Miami University and the Haas School of Business at the University of California, Berkley. He then embarked on a promising career as a brand manager for Proctor & Gamble. On February 16, 1999, a virus suddenly took Dominic's life at the young age of 28.	\$10,000 (X1) (\$2500 each qualifying year for four years)

	<p>The Dominic Konopka scholarship was established for two reasons. 1.) To financially support a graduating senior from Marion L. Steele High School in his/her quest to further education at a four-year college or university. 2.) To carry the memory of Dominic's competitive spirit and love for life. If you are selected to receive this scholarship, you must provide proof of enrollment as a full-time student, for the next academic year, in a four-year college or university. To qualify for years two, three, and four of this scholarship, you must present an academic profile after each academic year of full-time collegiate enrollment and achieve a cumulative grade point average of 3.3 (on a 4.0 scale) for all academic work completed during your collegiate enrollment resulting in degree credits. Failure to meet any of these requirements will automatically disqualify you from the balance of the scholarship award. Proof of full-time enrollment and transcripts need to be sent to dkscholarshipfund@hotmail.com. Scholarship checks will be dispersed directly to you, the recipient, for all qualifying years of this scholarship once the requirements are met.</p> <p>To be considered for this scholarship, please write a maximum of 500-word essay on why you are the best candidate for the Dominic Konopka Scholarship. A non-biased committee will be a part of the Dominic Konopka scholarship decision process.</p>	
<p>Donna Templeton, Howard Hanna</p>	<p>This scholarship will be awarded to a student meeting the following criteria: GPA of 3.25 or higher. Priority will be given to students who have attended JVS or will be attending LCCC to continue their education. Applicants must have participated in community service, and or shown leadership in the areas of band, choir, art, athletics, and/or academics.</p>	<p>\$500 (X1)</p>
<p>E.C. Goodsite Jr Scholarship</p>	<p>The E.C. Goodsite Jr. scholarship was started in memory of a life-long educator who firmly believed that the trade/technical occupations needed to be recognized as a valuable career choice.</p> <p>Scholarship Information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All applicants must be either a graduate or graduating from Amherst Steele High School. 2. Career choice must be in the areas of medical technology or occupational trades. 	<p>\$1,000 (X1)</p>

	<p>3. The applicant should be accepted or have applied to an appropriate school for their chosen vocation. If the applicant is applying to renew this scholarship, they must include proof of enrollment in their current program.</p> <p>4. This \$1,000 renewable scholarship may be used for all expenses related to your chosen vocation, i.e. tuition, tools, uniforms, etc.</p> <p>5. One letter of recommendation is required.</p>	
<p>Main Street Amherst Scholarship</p>	<p>Four scholarships will be awarded. Students must submit a two to three-minute video presentation (no longer) answering the following questions: the video needs to be creative, please do not just sit in front of the camera and talk:</p> <p>What is your full, legal name? Are you planning on attending college? If so which college? What is your career plan and plan for the future? What have you done to help your community?</p> <p>Senior applicants MUST live and attend Amherst Exempted Village School District and be enrolled at Marion L. Steele High School and/or the Lorain County Joint Vocational School in the Senior Class. All scholarships must be used towards college.</p> <p>Two students will be selected from Marion L. Steele High School and two students will be selected from the Lorain County JVS.</p> <p>Please note: All videos must be submitted via email to director@mainstreetamherst.org</p>	<p>\$500 (X4)</p>
<p>Sabrina Noelle Scholarship</p>	<p>This award has been established to honor our beloved daughter Sabrina DuPrey, who would have graduated in the Class of 2022.</p> <p>Sabrina had a brain disease which intensified as COVID hit and our world was turned upside down. Sabrina's loved ones did their best to support and empower her to remain stable. Unfortunately, Sabrina found her pain so unbearable the battle was lost and her disease took over. Although Sabrina may not be with us physically, she remains in our hearts every single day. As tragic as this story ends, we believe she fought hard to stay alive.</p>	<p>\$500 (X10)</p>

	<p>Sabrina had a natural desire to help people, make connections, and meet new friends. She tried desperately to do whatever she could to cure herself but kept a lot of her real pain hidden. She touched so many lives and while we all miss her terribly, we want to move forward in a positive light, like a lotus flower that blooms out of the dark, muddy water.</p> <p>(Please answer in 600 words or less)</p> <p>Describe an emotionally challenging time in your life and the positive actions you took that helped you to deal with this difficult situation. This challenge could be something as tragic as someone (or animal) passing or less tragic, such as a bad fight with a friend. Please share specific activities (journaling, exercise, art therapy, meditation, therapy, etc) that you did (or could do!) that you find helpful to benefit stronger mental health. Just like physical health, the mind also requires practice to stay healthy.</p>	
<p>Tom Steury Student-Athlete Memorial Scholarship</p>	<p>Two students will be awarded the Tom Steury Student-Athlete Memorial Scholarship.</p> <p>Tom Steury attended Marion L. Steele High School from 1959-1962. Tom was an outstanding and well-known distance runner who improved his record-breaking times year after year in track and cross country at the local, regional, and state levels before earning a scholarship to run at Bowling Green State University. As a direct result of Tom's freshman-year success in track and Coach Dick Cooley's foresight, the Amherst High School cross-country program was established in Tom's sophomore year in 1960. Tom's leadership and work ethic laid the foundation for many students to compete, and Amherst has since produced many fine runners who have earned countless local and state records. Tom's fortitude and determination were recognized by all students and community leaders. He did the necessary hard work that inspired others to compete and succeed at higher levels. Tom was inducted into the Amherst Sports Hall of Fame in 2022 for his excellence in running.</p> <p>The Tom Steury Student-Athlete Memorial Scholarship has been established to help financially support graduating student-athletes</p>	<p>\$5,000 (X2)</p>

	<p>to further their education after graduating from Marion L. Steele High School.</p> <p>To qualify for the scholarship, applicants must meet the following four criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Member of the Amherst High School track and/or cross country team • Recommendation letter from a coach • Recommendation letter from a track or cross country teammate • Personal essay: please prepare a maximum of 500-words describing how your track and/or cross country experience has helped you prepare for higher education and career plans <p>A non-biased committee will be a part of the Tom Steury Student-Athlete Memorial Scholarship decision process.</p>	
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The following scholarships will be awarded at the MLS Honors & Awards Banquet but require you to fill out a separate form or application for consideration.

<p>Amherst Police Department</p>	<p>The Amherst Police Department recently participated in the No Shave November Campaign. The No Shave November Campaign allowed the department personnel to “grow” awareness by embracing their hair, which many cancer patients lose, and letting it grow out to show support.</p> <p>The Amherst Police Department, in partnership with the Amherst Fraternal Order of Police Lodge #122, created this college scholarship to give back to our community in the hopes that the recipient(s) will lead us into a brighter future.</p> <p>This scholarship is open to students who excel in the areas of academics, athletics, and leadership and demonstrate high character traits such as kindness and strength during times of adversity. Special consideration will be given to candidates who look to have a future in the medical profession.</p> <p>To Access this Scholarship Form Scan the QR Code or visit the MLS College & Career Guide:</p>	<p>\$500 (X2)</p>
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DO NOT FILL OUT THE LOCAL FORM FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP



**Deborah Raesler
Memorial Scholarship**

The Deborah Raesler Memorial Scholarship, founded in honor of Debbie Raesler, is help college-bound seniors from Marion L. Steele High School complete their education goals. As a longtime School Counselor who earned a master's degree, education, and higher education were very important to Debbie.

\$1,000 (X1)

While working on her master's degree, Debbie held several different counseling positions, each offering her the opportunity to assist a wide variety of people in need throughout the community. She began working with mentally ill adults and later became a Certified Chemical Dependency Counselor helping at-risk adolescents recovering from substance abuse. She also worked for family services making sure children were living in a safe environment. These all helped prepare her for her next career move. Debbie received her Master of Education from Cleveland State University in May 2003. In August 2003, she started working for Sheffield Lake City Schools as an Elementary Guidance Counselor. While at Sheffield Lake, she was a member of the Lorain County Schools Crisis Counseling Team. She started the Cardinal Closet, a place where students could go get clothing and food when needed. Debbie was at Sheffield Lake for 17 years. In August 2019, she returned home to the Amherst Schools system, this time as Nord's Guidance Counselor. Debbie had an amazing ability to work with students and parents fostering a collaborative relationship that ensured success. She helped all students to see their potential and to believe in themselves. She had an open-door policy, and not just for her students. Debbie always made time for anyone who needed an ear. If she heard of a person or family in need, she would be on the frontline setting up fundraisers, clothing drives, or whatever was required to help. She genuinely believed in the importance of giving back to the community.

Debbie loved running. In Junior High, she found her lifetime love of the sport. In High School, she ran cross country, and track and

	<p>played soccer. She loved running with her family and friends, but she especially enjoyed running with her RIOT running group. She completed three ultra-marathons, group ultra-marathons, thirteen marathons, twenty-seven half-marathons, and just for fun, two mini-triathlons with her sisters and sister-in-law.</p> <p><u>Criteria</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Major: Education and /or Counseling • GPA: Minimum GPA is 2.5 • Recommendations: Two (2) letters of recommendation from a teacher, coach, or counselor • Volunteering: Twenty (20) volunteer hours over the last 2-years recommended, but not required. • FAFSA: Must be completed as this scholarship is needs-based <p>To apply visit: Debbieswarriors.com or scan the QR Code below</p>  <p>*DO NOT FILL OUT THE LOCAL FORM FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP, APPLY ONLINE*</p>	
<p>Sayers Family Scholarship</p>	<p>The Sayers Family will provide one merit-based scholarship for \$1,000.00 Preference will be given to students majoring in any education-related field. However, all students are encouraged to apply regardless of their major.</p> <p>To Access this Scholarship Form Scan the QR Code or visit the MLS College & Career Guide:</p>  <p>*DO NOT FILL OUT THE LOCAL FORM FOR THIS SCHOLARSHIP*</p>	<p>\$1,000 (X1)</p>