



Utica

**Dollars for
Scholars®**

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Students & Parents tab to login.

Utica Dollars for Scholars is a volunteer organization that strives to make scholastic awards to students in Utica and the counties of Oneida and Herkimer. The awards are gifted based on academic performance, majors, and interests/activities that are determined by the donors for the awards. The awards can be from \$500 to \$3,000 and will be a payment to the college you attend. We are a member of Scholarship America.

To set up an account:

1. Use Student & Parent tab to find Click to Login.
2. Select the hyperlink "Don't have an account yet? "Create one here."
3. Start by finding your high school. The easiest way is to enter the zip code and the system will automatically filter the results and show your school. Once you find your high school, click "**Choose This School.**"
4. Fill out your **Basic Information** and then click "Submit." Please note:
 - Any section with (**) must be completed.
 - Do not use your school email.
 - Primary county is **Oneida or Herkimer County.**
 - Check the box for waiver.
5. At this point you have submitted your profile. Now, look for an email message that will be sent to your email with a temporary password and a link to establish your own password. Email is from Scholarship America and may go to SPAM.

Please make a note of your personal email address and password!
DO NOT USE YOUR SCHOOL EMAIL!

When you have completed most of the profile then to be eligible, you must (**or you will not be in the system to be considered**):

1. Go to **My Scholarships – Search for Scholarships** to **submit** for awards.
2. Complete the **Custom Questions and Eligibility ...** (yes or no).
3. Be sure to **APPLY** for all awards that you are eligible and answer Questions. Electronic signature will be required.
4. Be sure you have completed the essays!

Directions for completing profile:

- **Profile/Application** will automatically save and allows you to return at any time to complete or update.
- **Basic Information and Additional Info** (**) must be completed, and your career goals and college acceptance need to be included. Primary County is ***Oneida or Herkimer County.***
- **Schools** section is your college information and should be completed and updated as you make your choice. Please select your choice of majors from an extensive list. Majors are important in the selection of many scholarships as well as is the college.
- **GPA** select *My school used the same GPA* scale for all grades. Email your counselor for Cumulative HS GPA, weighted GPA is NO, and enter 100 for scale.
- **Test Scores** is for your PSAT, SAT, ACT, AP or GED scores by selecting from the dropdown window.
- **Activities and Employment** requires years of participation and estimated number of hours per week or year and Activity Description as well as level of participation ex varsity or volunteer. Community service should be included.
- **Parent/Guardian information** requires name, email address and phone number.
- **Essays** must be completed for your application to be considered. The essays can be less than 250 words. **Goals and Aspirations** should explain your goals in college and career plan, if you fail to complete this essay you will **not** be considered for any awards.
- **Transcripts & References** will require your counselor's email and telephone number and one Reference request will require email and telephone number of your counselor, teacher, coach, mentor, etc. Email request will come from Scholarship America.

NEED HELP, USE ? Support on the lower left of page!

You will receive periodic updates and reminder emails from Scholarship America and UDFS, please make sure we do not become junk or spam.

If you have questions, you contact us at udfs.scholarships@gmail.com.

DEADLINE FOR COMPLETION IS March 15, 2025