Knights of Columbus

Pavia Council #48, Bethel CT 06801

2026 APPLICATION

The Pavia Council Heritage Award in Memory of Bernard J. Dolan, Sr. and Arthur J. Mannion, Sr.

The Edward J. Collins Memorial Scholarship

Rules of Eligibility

The following rules shall govern the Pavia Council Knights of Columbus scholarships:

1. An eligible candidate shall be an active Catholic –AND-- a resident of the Town of Bethel -- OR -- be the son or daughter of a member in good standing of Pavia Council #48 -- OR -- be the son or daughter of a deceased member of Pavia Council #48 who was in good standing at the time of his death. Such membership shall be verified by the Council's Financial Secretary.

2. A candidate shall be entering the freshman year in a regionally accredited, undergraduate college, university or seminary in the United States as a regular, full-time matriculated student in a program leading to a Bachelor's degree. A candidate who elects to start at a junior college and receives an Associates' degree, intending to transfer to a four year program, may continue to receive the scholarship thereafter subject to the limitations in (4) below.

3. Awards will be made on the basis of academic achievement, active participation in parish and Church activities, extracurricular activities and community involvement. If you would like financial needs to be considered, list income and other family members in college for the Committee.

4. The amount of each scholarship is $1,000 per annum renewable each year of undergraduate study to a total of four years, upon evidence of satisfactory performance and subject to the discretion of the Scholarship Committee. Such evidence shall be submitted by the recipient in the form of an official letter from an appropriate representative of the college. To allow time for a sabbatical or other break in studies, the award may be paid out over six (6) academic years to the maximum of $4,000, subject to ongoing verification as noted above.

5. An official transcript of high school grades, including the first half of the senior year, is to be sent to the Scholarship Committee.

6. Scores on the Scholastic Aptitude Test of the College Entrance Examination Board (or the scores of the American College Testing Program) are to be sent to the Scholarship Committee.

7. Supplemental material such as a brief autobiographical statement, including the applicant's educational objectives and letters of recommendation, are ***strongly recommended*** but not required. All questions in this application must be completed.

8. The decision of the Scholarship Committee will be final. Winners will be notified prior to high school graduation.

9. The final date for filing this application as well as supporting documents is April 1, 2026.

10. Address all questions to:

Ken Decker kenjdecker@gmail.com (203) 482-9796

TO BE COMPLETED BY SCHOOL OFFICIAL

Name of School _____

Address _____

_____

City/Town State Zip Telephone: area code - number

Name of Principal _____

Name of Counselor _____

Name of Student _____

Cumulative Average _____ Rank in Class _____

Number from top / Number in class

College Board scores:

SAT _____ _____ _____

Verbal Math Writing

-or-

	STANDARD SCORES					COLLEGE BOUND PERCENTILES				
	Eng	Math	SocS	NSci	Comp	Eng	Math	SocS	NSci	Comp
ACT	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

The above information has been furnished by

_____ _____ _____

Signature Title Date

TO ALL CANDIDATES FROM BETHEL HIGH AND IMMACULATE HIGH:
Please include transcript of scholastic record. **DO NOT MAIL**. This application will be collected from your guidance department by a member of Pavia Council.

TO ALL OTHER CANDIDATES:
You must deliver the completed application along with transcript of scholastic record to St. Mary's Church Rectory, Dodgingtown Road, Bethel, CT 06801, by 4PM on the filing deadline date. **DO NOT MAIL**.

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INSTRUCTIONS: Please type or print legibly in ink. Complete all information on page 3 and 4 and sign below. Attach all supporting documentation. Then give this application to your counselor who will complete page 2.

FULL NAME: _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

ADDRESS: _____
(Street) (City, State & Zip) (Phone)

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

NAME OF COLLEGE: _____

ADDRESS OF COLLEGE: _____

_____

FIELD OF INTEREST: _____

The information given in this application I affirm to be true and complete. I have read in their entirety the "Rules of Eligibility" printed on this application and I hereby accept and agree to these Rules.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: _____

I hereby consent to the filing of this application and have read and agree to the aforesaid "Rules of Eligibility".

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN: _____

Name of Father/Guardian: _____

Address and phone number (if different from applicant): _____

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Employed by: _____

Name of Mother/Guardian: _____

Address and phone number (if different from applicant): _____

_____

Employed by: _____

Total number of persons dependent on parents (include parents and yourself): _____

List any dependents attending college; include name of college and expected year of graduation:

_____

List all Church, school, and community activities (see rule 3 page 1). Attach additional sheets if necessary.
CHURCH: _____

SCHOOL: _____

COMMUNITY: _____

Are you willing to be interviewed by the Scholarship Committee: _____

PARISH CONTACT (list the Parish where you regularly attend Mass, along with Pastor's name and phone):

REFERENCES (3 persons, not related to you, who know you and your family, name, address, and phone):

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

WORK EXPERIENCE (list all jobs held, including present job if employed):

Date	Employer	Job Description

Please include a personal statement indicting why you believe you should be chosen for this scholarship

Please add any additional circumstances that might be applicable.