

ROGERS PUBLIC SCHOOLS COMMUNITY-BASED SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

INSTRUCTIONAL GUIDE



CLASS OF 2026: RHS ♦ RHHS ♦ RALI

2025-2026 RPS COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP INSTRUCTION GUIDE

APPLICATION OPENING: JANUARY 1, 2026

APPLICATION DEADLINE: JANUARY 31, 2026

Applications and all additional documentation must be submitted online before 1:59 PM. The Smarter Select application uploading system slows down during the last 20 minutes before the deadline, so plan accordingly. Late applications will not be accepted.

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING DIRECTIONS CAREFULLY. *Please DO NOT email/text questions to your Scholarship Coordinator without first reading the directions.*

► USING THIS INSTRUCTION GUIDE:

This guide will serve as a manual for completing the Rogers Public Schools Community Scholarship Application. A downloadable PDF can be found on the RPS Scholarship website or you may pick up a hard copy from your Scholarship Coordinator.

After the general application instruction section, you will find a list of this year's available scholarships. Each scholarship in this guide uses one online scholarship application form. Applications must be submitted electronically through the online application system called **Smarter Select**. Even though each scholarship shares a basic application form, additional documentation may vary based on each specific scholarship requirements. Make note of the scholarships you qualify for and if they have extra required documents. Read the criteria for each scholarship carefully and follow the directions.

Exact scholarship amounts are subject to change before the final ceremony.

► HOW TO ACCESS THE RPS COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION:

Access the Community Scholarship Application link:

- Rogers Public Schools District Website: <https://www.rogersschools.net/>
 - Departments
 - Scholarships
 - Rogers Public Schools Community Scholarships
 - Click the Quick Links button to the online application (Smarter Select)

You will need to create an account in Smarter Select. **Please use a personal email account**, not your school email. Remember your login information. You will need that login information each time you access your account to work on your application. You will only fill out the Community Application once, even though you may be applying for multiple scholarships.

► INFORMATION TO GATHER FOR THE COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION:

- **Estimated Expenses First Year**
 - The easiest way to determine this information is to Google "Current total yearly expenses for [Name of Your Future School (ex. University of Arkansas)]"

- **Financial Information**
 - You will need a general range of your parent’s income.
 - Your FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR) is not required for the general application, but if a specific scholarship requires that data, you may need to submit it at a later date.
- **School Related Extra-Curricular Activities**
- **Awards and Honors**
- **Community Involvement**
- **Hobbies and Leisure Activities**
- **Work Experience**
 - Please list your work experiences from current to oldest. Specify if a job was summer only.
- **References (3)**
 - You will be asked to provide names and contact information for three references – no rec letter required.
 - Be sure to ask before you list them so they will know that a donor might contact them.
- **Personal Essay**
 - **PROMPT: “Write between 350-500 words in which you discuss your plans once you graduate from college or technical/trade school. How do you want to make a positive impact with your education? This is your opportunity to tell us about you as a person!”**
 - Take time to write and personalize your essay. Use proper grammar and punctuation. Ask someone to look over your application before you submit it. DO NOT use AI to write your essay – you will be doing yourself a disservice, and there are tools available to determine AI usage. Remember that this application is the only tool the donors have to make their scholarship decision.
- There is a parent statement section on the application. This will be your parents’ opportunity to brag on you and offer information about your personal/financial situation that may not be reflected in the application. It can be written in Spanish and translated. It is not required, but it is **highly recommended** as donors very often use the parent statement in deciding scholarship winners.

► **REQUIRED UPLOADED DOCUMENTS FOR ALL APPLICANTS:**

- **Transcript**
 - Request a downloadable transcript through your **Parchment** account.
 - If you do not have a Parchment account, email instruction from your high school was sent to you the summer before your senior year. You might want to look back through your school emails.
 - **Do not take a screenshot on your HAC account.** You will need to request your full transcript through Parchment.
 - You will need your **7-semester transcript**, which will not be available until midway through January. Your Scholarship Coordinator will send a message when you are clear to request your transcript and upload it into your application.
- **Test Scores**
 - As of 2020, students are no longer able to directly download their ACT score as a PDF from their ACT website portal.
 - To submit your ACT score for this application, take a screenshot of your score in your ACT account. Your name **MUST** be visible on the screenshot. (If you have only taken the ACT once through school during your Junior year, you do not have an ACT account, and you will need to reach out directly to your school’s registrar for your test results.)
 - **How To Take a Partial Screenshot on Your Chromebook:** Press Shift + Ctrl + Show windows , then select and drag.
 - The screenshot will download as a PNG onto your computer. The Smarter Select application does not accept files in PNG format. You will need to turn the image into a PDF.

- **OPTION ONE:** Open a blank Google Doc in your Google Drive. Insert or drag the PNG image into the blank Google Doc. Download the blank Google Doc as a PDF. Then you can upload that PDF for online applications.
- **OPTION TWO:** Open the PNG screenshot and hit the "PRINT" button. Print the image as a PDF. It should appear as a PDF on your desktop. Then you can upload that PDF for online applications.

- **Photo**

- You do not need a professional photo, but please make sure it is a good image of you (not blurry.) Only include yourself in the photo (no group shots.)

Where to Upload Documents:	File Formats Accepted:	How to Label your Uploaded files:
<p>Smarter Select Community Scholarship Application</p> <p>Transcript, Test Scores, Photo: Required Documents</p> <p>All Other Documents for Specific Scholarships: Additional Documents</p>	<p>PDF JPG</p> <p>Videos need to be submitted to your Scholarship Coordinator by email or sharing through Google Drive by the 1/31/26 deadline</p>	<p>Please name your documents with your school, last name, first name, scholarship and item description:</p> <p>Use the following examples:</p> <p>RHS_Smith_Jane_Transcript.PDF or RHS_Smith_Jane_Rotary_Essay.PDF or RHS_Smith_Jane_RecLetter1.PDF</p>

▶ **COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP SELECTION CHECKLIST:**

Within your Smarter Select application, you will find an available scholarship checklist. You must put a check mark next to each scholarship you wish to apply to, as this checklist will indicate where your Scholarship Coordinator will send your application. **If you do not put a check by the scholarship, your application will not be sent to that donor.**

- Pay close attention to the requirements for each scholarship in this guide. Some scholarships only require the community scholarship application. Some scholarships require extra documents - i.e. letter of recommendation, essay, video, additional short Google form, etc.
- You can apply to ALL the scholarships that you meet the requirements for – there is no limit! However, **do not** go through and check every box. Doing so will only add extra work for your Scholarship Coordinator in determining where to send applications.

▶ **REQUIRED UPLOADED DOCUMENTS FOR SPECIFIC SCHOLARSHIPS:**

- Upload any extra required documents into the **Additional Documents** section of your Smarter Select application. Place them in the specific upload spaces provided. If you do not upload all the required documents, your application will be invalid for that scholarship.
- **Label your files in the manner listed in the box above.**
- You do not need to upload the same documents multiple times. For example: if you are applying for multiple scholarships which require one recommendation letter, we can use the same rec letter.

▶ **SUBMIT:**

- Remember to hit submit!
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FAQ

- **HOW DO I REQUEST A RECOMMENDATION LETTER?**
 - First, politely ask a teacher, coach or counselor to write a letter of recommendation for you. Fill out a Recommendation Request/ Brag Sheet form with your personal information. (You may pick this form up from your Scholarship Coordinator.) Give the form to your letter writer, to help them write an effective rec letter for you. Some high school counselors require that you submit the official rec letter request through their Google Rec Letter Request Form. If your rec letter prefers, they may email the letter directly to your Scholarship Coordinator:
 - Ms. Matkowski: ellen.matkowski@rpsar.net
 - Mrs. Pierce: jennifer.pierse@rpsar.net
 - Mrs. Wright: kathy.wright@rpsar.net
- **WHAT IF NEW SCHOLARSHIPS GET ADDED AFTER I SUBMIT MY APPLICATION?**
 - In the event of a new community scholarship becoming available after the 1/31/26 deadline, a pool of applicants will be determined from submitted community scholarship applications. The donor or the RHS/HHS/RALI scholarship committee will pick a winner from that pool. If extra documents are required, the Scholarship Coordinators will reach out to the qualified applicants to request them.
- **HOW DO I APPLY FOR A BUCK UPPERCLASSMEN SCHOLARSHIP DURING COLLEGE?**
 - If you win a community scholarship, you will be qualified to apply for the Buck Foundation Upperclassmen Awards every year of your undergraduate college studies. That application will open in the late fall every year and your invitation to apply will be sent to the email that you leave on file.
- **WHEN WILL I KNOW IF I AM RECEIVING A SCHOLARSHIP?**
 - At the end of April, you will be notified if you need to attend the Community Scholarship Ceremony. You will not find out which scholarships you might be receiving until the actual ceremony.
- **WHEN IS THE RPS DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP CEREMONY?**
 - The ceremony time, date and venue will be announced in the spring.
- **IF SELECTED, HOW DO I RECEIVE MY SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS?**
 - After the ceremony, you will receive an email directing you to fill out a form on Smarter Select, which will explain the steps to take, as well as your future college information.
- **IF SELECTED, WHEN WILL I RECEIVE MY SCHOLARSHIP?**
 - Scholarship amounts are for one year, divided between Fall & Spring semester, unless otherwise noted. The Rogers Development Foundation will handle fund distribution.

Available Community Scholarships

PLEASE NOTE:

- To be considered for the following scholarships, you **MUST** check the scholarship name box in the checklist section of your Smarter Select Application. If you do not check the box, your application will not be sent to that donor for consideration.
- If a scholarship requires additional required documents, those items must be uploaded to your Smarter Select Application to the Additional Documents section by the **1/31/26** deadline.
- If you do not upload all the required documents, your application will be invalid for that scholarship.

MILITARY

◆ HOME FOR DINNER SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$1,000

Requirements:

- Must be students planning to enlist or who have completed basic training.

Extra Steps Required:

- Future military service question on the Community Scholarship Application

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- Additional online Home for Dinner Scholarship Google application:
 - [2025-2026 Home for Dinner Scholarship Application](#)
 - Direct Link will also be included in the Smarter Select Community Scholarship Application

VOCATIONAL, TECHNICAL AND TRADE

◆ BILL GRIMES VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP **RALI Students Only**

Amount: \$1,000

Requirements:

- Minimum GPA 2.5
- Must be planning to pursue a major related to vocational education
- Has successfully completed vocational classes in high school
- Financial need considered

◆ BROOKS MARINE VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$1,000

Requirements:

- Must be planning to attend a vocational school or 2-year technical degree school
- Must have GPA of 2.5 or above

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- One letter of recommendation

◆ JENKINS FAMILY WORKPLACE SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: 2 @ \$5,000

Requirements:

- Must be planning to attend a vocational school or 2-year technical degree program
- Have financial need

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- One letter of recommendation
 - Submitted statement detailing your career path, school attending and what this scholarship could mean for you.
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◆ **JON AKEHURST MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$2,000 over 2 years; \$500 per semester

Requirements:

- Plans to attend an accredited skilled trade or technical school in the fall of the academic year following high school graduation
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◆ **MERWIN VOCATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$1,250

Requirements:

- Must be planning to attend a vocational school or 2-year technical degree program
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◆ **RAMON AND MODENA PARRA SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$5,000

Requirements:

- Students have been in the RPS ESOL program at any point.
- Students are planning to attend a vocational, technical or trade school.

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- One letter of recommendation
 - Essay: Tell a story about a person who has been an influence on your life or has inspired you.
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◆ **THE ROGERS CLASS OF 1975 SCHOLARSHIP** LAUNCH Students Only

Amount: \$6,000

Requirements:

- Must be a RPS Launch Program completer
 - Must be planning to attend a vocational or 2-year technical school
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COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

◆ **ADDINGTON FAMILY TRUST SCHOLARSHIP** HHS Students Only

Amount: \$1,500

Requirements:

- Must be planning a career in the education or medical field
 - Financial need considered
 - Must be planning on attending NWACC
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◆ **ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL OF ROGERS – THE SHIRL COLEMAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** RHS Students Only

Amount: \$500

Requirements:

- Must be planning to be an education or pre-dentistry major
 - Financial need considered
 - Community service considered
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◆ **ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL OF ROGERS – THE BONNIE GRIMES HONORARY SCHOLARSHIP** RALI Students Only

Amount: \$500

Requirements:

- Must be planning to be an education or pre-dentistry major
 - Financial need considered
 - Community service considered
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◆ **ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL OF ROGERS – THE VIRGINIA MOCIVNIK MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** **HHS Students Only**

Amount: \$500

Requirements:

- Must be planning to be an education or pre-dentistry major
 - Financial need considered
 - Community service considered
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◆ **BENCHMARK GROUP INC. SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$1,000

Requirements:

- High School Seniors attending any Rogers district high school
- Must have a minimum 3.5 G.P.A.
- Must have minimum 23 ACT
- No behavior infractions during high school
- Financial need will be considered
- Must be planning to attend an accredited 4-year college/university in Arkansas, Texas or Missouri
- Must be pursuing a degree in Architecture or Engineering

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- One Letter of Recommendation
 - Letter of Acceptance to college/university
 - Additional essay
 - **PROMPT:** *Why are you going into (architecture or engineering)?*
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◆ **BLACKWOOD HOLDINGS SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$250

Requirements:

- RHA Student
- Meets all RHA requirements

Extra Steps Required:

- RHA question on the Community Scholarship Application
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◆ **BUCK FOUNDATION RALI ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP** **RALI Students Only**

Amount: \$8,000 (\$2,000 per year renewable, if requirements are met)

Requirements:

- Recipients must demonstrate outstanding school academics and strong community involvement and be deemed future community leaders
 - ACT score 24-30 (Superscore accepted)
 - Must attend a 4-year college or university beginning in the Fall of 2026 commencing in the Spring of 2030
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◆ **CAPTAIN MOUNTIE SCHOLARSHIP IN MEMORY OF JERRY HUGHES** **RHS Students Only**

Amount: \$500

Requirements:

- RHS graduating senior who shows "over the top" enthusiasm for the Rogers Mounties
- Participation in extra-curricular activities in school and community considered

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- Submit a photo that represents Mountie school spirit to honor the memory of Jerry Hughes, a 1984 RHS Graduate, aka "Captain Mountie"
 - Extra Short Essay (No longer than two paragraphs):
 - Give a description of the photo
OR
 - Describe what being a RHS Mountie meant to you.
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◆ CARROLL ELECTRIC SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$500

Requirements:

- Must have a minimum of a 3.85 G.P.A.
- Participation in extra-curricular activities in school and community considered
- Financial need considered
- Preference given to students who parents or legal guardians receive service from Carroll Electric Co-Op

Extra Steps Required:

- Carroll Electric service question on the Community Scholarship Application
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◆ CEI ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$750

Requirements:

- Must be planning to pursue a degree in the engineering field (civil engineering given priority)
- Minimum 3.0 GPA

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- One letter of recommendation
 - Statement of engineering career goals
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◆ COLE MICHAEL PHILLIPS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$500

Requirements:

- Minimum 3.0 GPA
 - Minimum 19 ACT
 - Must have a part-time job and work 15 hours per week or more
 - Financial need and community service considered
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◆ DAVIS BUB MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: 2 @ \$250 (1 RHS student, 1 HHS student, RALI will zone to their school zone)

Requirements:

- Current member of TSA
 - Must have completed in a TSA contest
 - 3.5 G.P.A. minimum
 - Must have completed a STEM class
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◆ FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF NWA SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$1000

Requirements:

- Graduating senior in the Rogers School District
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◆ FRIENDS OF THE ROGERS HISTORICAL MUSEUM SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$3000

Requirements:

- Minimum G.P.A. of 2.5
- Planning to major in pre-law, government, history, social studies, or a related field

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- One Letter of Recommendation
 - Submit a 1,000-1,500 word essay on one of the following topics:
 - **PROMPT OPTION #1:** *Why is the study of history important?*
 - OR**
 - **PROMPT OPTION #2:** *Why is preserving a city's past important?*
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◆ **GRAND SAVINGS BANK SCHOLARSHIP – DIXIELAND BRANCH**

Amount: \$500

Requirements:

- Must meet **one** of the following:
 - Have financial hardship
 - Have a medical condition/disability
 - Be a minority student
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◆ **GREER LINGLE REAGAN FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: Varies up to \$4,000 [*RALI students will be considered in their RHS/HHS zone*]

Requirements:

- Must have strong academic record
- Must be a well-rounded student with strong academics and school/community involvement
- Must have a minimum 3.75 G.P.A.
- Financial need is strongly considered

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- One letter of recommendation
 - Finalists will be interviewed at a later date (TBD)
 - If chosen for an interview, finalists will need to submit their FAFSA SAR. [Access your FAFSA SAR PDF online through your FAFSA account.]
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◆ **HIGHT JACKSON ASSOCIATES – GARY RYEL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$1,000

Requirements:

- Must be planning to major in architecture or engineering
 - Must have strong academic record
 - School/Community involvement considered
 - Financial need considered
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◆ **IRVELENE KHONE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$1,000 [*RALI students will be considered in their RHS/HHS zone*]

Requirements:

- Minimum of 2.75 GPA
 - Elementary Education major
 - Financial need considered
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◆ **JASON FUND - PATSY MOONEY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** **HHS Students Only**

Amount: \$1,000

Requirements:

- Male
 - 2.8 GPA
 - 20 ACT
 - Single Parent Household
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◆ **JEFFREY-PRENTICE-REAGAN EXCELLENCE IN CIVICS AND HISTORY SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$5,000

Requirements:

- 3.0 GPA
- Demonstrated interest in history, civics, or government-related areas
- Students do not need to be attending a 4-year college — all accredited post-secondary paths are eligible, including community colleges, junior colleges, technical and vocational programs
- Please see downloadable **JPR Scholarship Extra Information Packet** on RPS Community Scholarship Page for complete details.

Extra Materials Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- Teacher or Community Member Nomination Form
- Multimedia Submission: 2–3 minute multimedia project (video, narration, creative digital work) with short written summary (150-200 words)

OR

- Essay (750-1000 words) *Please choose one of the five following essay prompts.*
 - **PROMPT 1: Your Civic Action Story** - *Describe a time you took action—big or small—on an issue that mattered to you. What motivated you, what did you do, and what did you learn about yourself in the process? [Great for: personal stories, volunteer work, leadership experiences, organizing events, community impact.]*

OR

- **PROMPT 2: A Moment That Changed You** - *Tell us about a moment in a history class—or a real world event—that changed how you see the world. How has it influenced your future goals or choices? [Great for: reflecting on current events, inspiring lessons, eye-opening conversations or news, turning points.]*

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OR

- **PROMPT 3: The Toughest Choice** - *Describe a time you faced an ethical or moral decision related to fairness, justice, or civic responsibility. What choice did you make, and what did you learn from it? Would you make the same choice again? Why or why not? [Great for: showing your values, decision-making under pressure, learning from challenges, standing up for what's right.]*

OR

- **PROMPT 4: Make Us See What You See** - *Choose a civic or historical issue that matters deeply to you. Use your submission to help us see it through your eyes. Why does it matter? What do you want others to notice, care about, or change? [Great for: Great for: creative storytelling, advocacy, passion projects, issues you care about that deserve more attention.]*

OR

- **PROMPT 5: Bridging Generations** - *What lessons from your family, culture, or community have shaped your understanding of civic life? How do these lessons guide the kind of citizen or leader you want to become? [Great for: Great for: immigration stories, family influence, cultural identity, role models, multi-generational values.]*

◆ **KATHLEEN JOHNSON LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$1,000

Requirements:

- Must be a resident of LOWELL for at least one year [Your mailing address MUST be Lowell, AR.]

Extra Steps and Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- Lowell residency question on Community Scholarship Application
 - Additional Essay OR Video
 - **PROMPT:** *What is your favorite Lowell memory?*
 - *Helpful hint: Consider mentioning specific Lowell places or events, such as the Kathleen Johnson Memorial Park or Mudtown Days.*
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◆ **KENDRICK FINCHER HYDRATION FOR LIFE SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$500

Requirements:

- Minimum 2.0 GPA
- Must be involved in school
- Must have community service hours
- Preference will be given to Kendrick Fincher Hydration for Life volunteers

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- One letter of recommendation
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◆ **MARJORIE ROOD APPLGATE SCHOLARSHIP** **RHS Students Only**

Amount: \$1,000

Requirements:

- Applicant must be female
 - Minimum 3.0 GPA
 - Minimum 21 ACT
 - Financial need considered
 - School/community involvement considered
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◆ **OPTIMIST CLUB OF ROGERS SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$ VARIES

Requirements:

- Minimum 3.0 GPA
 - School/Community involvement considered
 - Financial need considered
 - Must be known for having an optimistic/positive outlook on life
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◆ **P.E.O. CHAPTER CN SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$ VARIES

Requirements:

- Applicants must be female
 - Minimum 3.0 GPA or 25 ACT
 - Must have strong moral character
 - Must be a U.S. Citizen or legal resident
 - Must be planning to attend an accredited 2 or 4-year college/university
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◆ **P.E.O. JAMI JENSEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – CHAPTER BT** **HHS Students Only**

Amount: \$1,000

Requirements:

- Applicants must be female
- Must be a U.S. Citizen or legal resident
- Must be planning to attend an accredited 2 or 4-year college/university
- Demonstrates leadership ability
- Demonstrates strong community service and/or employment
 - Financial need is strongly considered

◆ **P.E.O. JO SODEQUIST MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – CHAPTER BT** **RALI Students Only**

Amount: \$1,000

Requirements:

- Applicants must be female
- Must be a U.S. Citizen or legal resident
- Must be planning to attend an accredited 2 or 4-year college/university
- Demonstrates leadership ability
- Demonstrates strong community service and/or employment
- Financial need is strongly considered

◆ **P.E.O. SOLVEIG BERRY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP – CHAPTER BT** **RHS Students Only**

Amount: \$1,000

Requirements:

- Applicants must be female
- Must be a U.S. Citizen or legal resident
- Must be planning to attend an accredited 2 or 4-year college/university
- Demonstrates leadership ability
- Demonstrates strong community service and/or employment
- Financial need is strongly considered

◆ **REGIONS BANK STUDENT BANK BOARD SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$750

Requirements:

- Must be an active member of the Regions Bank Student Bank Board

Extra Steps Required:

- Regions Bank Student Bank Board participation question on the Community Scholarship Application

◆ **RICK & MICHAEL BERTSCHY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** **HHS Students Only**

Amount: \$5,000 over four years (\$1,250/yr.)

Requirements:

- Well-rounded student with strong academics and school/community involvement
- Financial need strongly considered

◆ **ROGERS NOON KIWANIS SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$1,000

Requirements:

- Must participate in extracurricular activities that involve children
- Preference will be given for participation in Kiwanis Club organization/events

Extra Steps Required:

- Child-focused extracurricular activity question on the Community Scholarship Application

◆ **ROGERS DOWNTOWN ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: 3 @ \$2,000

Requirements:

- Must be planning to attend 2-year or 4-year university, community college, or vocational or technical school in Arkansas
- Minimum GPA of 2.5 OR a 19 on the ACT
- Applicant cannot be a family member of a current Rotarian
- Preference will be given for participation in Rotary Club organization/events, but not required

Extra Steps and Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- Rotary Club participation question on the Community Scholarship Application

- Additional Essay OR Video
 - **PROMPT:** Describe how you have employed the Rotarian motto "Service above Self" and the "Four-Way Test" in your life, and how you plan to employ these guidelines in your life, and how to plan to employ these guidelines in your future profession.
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◆ ROGERS NOON ROTARY SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: 4 @ \$5,000

Requirements:

- Must be planning to attend 2-year or 4-year university, community college, or vocational or technical school in Arkansas
- Minimum GPA of 2.5 OR a 19 on the ACT
- Applicant cannot be a family member of a current Rotarian
- Preference will be given for participation in Rotary Club organization/events, but not required

Extra Steps and Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- Rotary Club participation question on the Community Scholarship Application
 - Additional Essay OR Video
 - **QUESTIONS TO ANSWER:**
 - What is your post-high school educational/training goal, and why did you choose it?
 - What community service have you performed in high school? What was your role, and why did you choose it?
 - What is the most important thing about you that you would like the committee to know?
 - What obstacle(s) have you overcome or are you overcoming in your school career?
 - Is there anything about your personal situation the committee should know (first-generation college attendee, following a family member's profession, housing insecurity, part-time work, etc.)?
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◆ ROGERS PTO - BONNIE GRIMES HONORARY SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: FIRST PLACE: \$1,000, SECOND PLACE: \$400

Requirements:

- Must be planning to attend an accredited 2 or 4-year college/university
- Minimum 3.0 GPA
- Minimum 19 ACT
- Must be a well-rounded student with strong academics and school/community involvement

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- One letter of recommendation
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◆ ROGERS PUBLIC SCHOOLS NUTRITION SERVICES SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$400

Requirements:

- Must be planning to attend an accredited 2 or 4-year college/university
- First consideration given to students related to a RPS Food Service employee
- Second consideration given to students planning a career in education or nutrition

Extra Steps and Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- RPS Food Service relative question on the Community Scholarship Application
 - Additional essay
 - **PROMPT:** What is your favorite school lunchtime memory?
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◆ SINGLE PARENT SCHOLARSHIP FUND OF NWA SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$ TBD

Requirements:

- Child of single parent
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◆ **SHELTER INSURANCE SCHOLARSHIP – JUSTIN MADICK AGENCY**

Amount: \$1,500

Requirements:

- Minimum 3.0 GPA
 - Minimum 25 ACT
 - Must be planning to attend an accredited college/university **IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS**
 - Must have strong participation in school, sports, or community activities
 - Must have reputation as a leader, hard worker, and good citizen
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◆ **SHELTER INSURANCE SCHOLARSHIP – KERI EARWOOD AGENCY**

Amount: \$1,500

Requirements:

- Minimum 3.0 GPA
 - Minimum 25 ACT
 - Must be planning to attend an accredited college/university
 - Must have strong participation in school, sports, or community activities
 - Must have reputation as a leader, hard worker, and good citizen
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◆ **SHELTER INSURANCE SCHOLARSHIP – TONY PUTNAM AGENCY** **RHS Students Only**

Amount: 3 Scholarships @ \$2,000

Requirements:

- Minimum 3.0 GPA
 - Must be planning to attend an accredited 2 or 4-year college/university or trade school **IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS**
 - Must have strong participation in school, sports, or community activities
 - Must have reputation as a leader, hard worker, and good citizen
 - Working a part-time job a plus
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◆ **SIMMONS FIRST BANK SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$500

Requirements:

- Minimum 2.5 GPA
 - Must be planning to attend an accredited college/university **IN THE STATE OF ARKANSAS**
 - Must be planning to major in business, finance, or marketing
 - Financial need considered
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◆ **STITT ENERGY SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$1,000 *[RALI students will be considered in their RHS/HHS zone]*

Requirements:

- Must be planning to major in an area of science which promotes renewable energy, solar energy, sustainability or energy-efficiency
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◆ **SUKEY DAKE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$500

Requirements:

- Minimum 3.2 G.P.A.
 - Must be planning to pursue a career in education
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◆ **SURLY CHASE YOUR DREAMS SCHOLARSHIP** **RHS Students Only**

Amount: \$1,000

Requirements:

- Minimum 3.0 GPA

- Minimum 19 ACT
- Financial need considered

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- Finalists will be interviewed at a later date (TBD)
- Additional essay questions [Each question should be approximately one or two paragraphs]:
 - What personal and professional goals have you set for the future?
 - What has been your most significant contribution to the community/RHS and why?
 - Think of someone who has helped you pursue your dreams or left a lasting imprint on your life. What is the most valuable thing you learned from them?
 - If you could take one piece of Rogers with you anywhere you go, what would it be and why?
 - What is your best quality and how will you use it to chase your dream

■ IMPORTANT ESSAY FORMATTING REQUIREMENTS:

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Name:

College/University:

Major:

No more than 1,500 words (for all total questions)

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◆ **UNITED BANK – DICK BARCLAY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$500 *[RALI students will be considered in their RHS/HHS zone]*

Requirements:

- Minimum 3.0 GPA
- Must be planning to major in finance or accounting from accredited 2 or 4-year college/university

◆ **VFW AMERICAN LEGION SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$500

Requirements:

- Must be planning to attend college, vocational or 2-year technical school

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- Essay:
 - Essay (500 word) on the importance of the United States Constitution.

◆ **WYATT FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$10,000 over 4 years (\$2,500/yr.) *[RALI students will be considered in their RHS/HHS zone]*

Requirements:

- Minimum 3.5 GPA
- Minimum 28 ACT
- Must be planning to attend an accredited 4-year/university
- Must be a well-rounded student with strong academics and school/community involvement

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◆ **ARNHART BI-LITERACY SCHOLARSHIP** HHS Students Only

Amount: \$300

Requirements:

- Senior that has taken or is taking at least one Spanish AP class
 - Intend to use Spanish in your future career
 - Recommendation letter from a Spanish teacher
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◆ **BELLVIEW ELEMENTARY ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP** **RHS Students Only**

Amount: \$500

Requirements:

- Must have attended Bellview Elementary at least one year
 - Must be planning to attend an accredited 2 or 4-year college/university
 - Community involvement considered
 - Finalists will be interviewed at a later date (TBD)
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◆ **DR. DONALD W. DAUT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** **HHS Students Only**

Amount: \$1000

Requirements:

- Majoring in pre-med, nursing, or education
 - Hard worker in academics and leadership roles
 - Other medical fields may apply
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◆ **EASTSIDE ELEMENTARY PTO SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$500

Requirements:

- Must have attended Eastside Elementary at least one year
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◆ **FATHER THOMAS AND SHIRLEY MORRIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** **HHS Students Only**

Amount: \$1000

Requirements:

- Student is majoring in the humanities, social work, art or ministries
 - Student must be an avid reader
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◆ **FOUNTAIN-ARNHART PERSISTENCE SCHOLARSHIP** **HHS Students Only**

Amount: \$300

Requirements:

- Senior taking an HHS Spanish class
 - First generation student - intends to go to 2 or 4 year college or a votech program
 - Statement of future goals (100 - 200 words)
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◆ **HHS DEBATE SCHOLARSHIP** **HHS Students Only**

Amount: 2 @ \$500

Requirements:

- Minimum 19 ACT score
 - 2 years of membership
 - 2.5 GPA
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◆ **HHS LULAC SCHOLARSHIP** **HHS Students Only**

Amount: \$ VARIES

Requirements:

- Member or Officer of HHS LULAC
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◆ **HHS SENIOR SHOWCASE SCHOLARSHIP** **HHS Students Only**

Amount: \$500

Requirements:

- HHS Senior Showcase Competition Participation
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◆ **HHS STUDENT COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP** **HHS Students Only**

Amount: \$ VARIES

Requirements:

- Must be an active HHS Student Council member in good standing.
 - Must hold an office in STUCO.
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◆ **JANIE DARR ELEMENTARY SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: 2 @ \$1,000

Requirements:

- Must have attended Darr Elementary at least one year
- Graduating senior planning to attend college or technical/trade school

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- Brief description of your favorite memory while attending this school
OR
 - Upload a short video for one of the following :
 - How did your experience at Janie Darr shape who you are today?
 - Who was a teacher or staff member that made a lasting impact on you? Why?
 - If you could give one piece of advice to current Jaguars, what would it be?
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◆ **MATHIAS ELEMENTARY ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$500

Requirements:

- Must have attended Mathias Elementary at least one year

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- Short written paragraph:
 - Type a paragraph about your time at Joe Mathias Elementary School. You might describe a special memory, event, or way our school has impacted your life and/or education.
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◆ **RALI STUDENT LEADERSHIP CBCO BLOOD DRIVE SCHOLARSHIP** **RALI Students Only**

Amount: \$ VARIES

Requirements:

- Participation in the RALI CBCO Blood Drive

Extra Steps Required:

- CBCO Blood Drive question on the Community Scholarship Application
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◆ **REAGAN ELEMENTARY ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$250

- Must have attended Reagan Elementary at least one year
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◆ **RHS DECA CLUB SCHOLARSHIP** **RHS Students Only**

Amount: \$ VARIES

Requirements:

- Must be an active RHS DECA Club member
 - Must have strong academics and school/community involvement
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◆ **RHS FACULTY SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$ VARIES

Requirements:

- Must be the child of a RHS employee

Extra Documents Required:

- Must either complete the Community Scholarship Application **OR** if not attending a Rogers high school, RHS staff parent must email seniors academic resume to Ms. Matkowski (ellen.matkowski@rpsar.net)
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◆ **RHS FFA "CRITTER DAY" SCHOLARSHIP** **RHS Students Only**

Amount: \$ VARIES

Requirements:

- Must be an active RHS FFA Club member in good standing
 - Participation in the annual RHS FFA "Critter Day" event
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◆ **RHS LULAC SCHOLARSHIP** **RHS Students Only**

Amount: \$ VARIES

Requirements:

- Must be an active RHS LULAC Club member in good standing.
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◆ **RHS MOUNTIES ATHLETIC BOOSTER CLUB SCHOLARSHIP** **RHS Students Only**

Amount: 10 @ \$1,000 each

Requirements:

- Must have been in RHS Athletics minimum of 3 years, including Senior year
- Minimum 18 ACT
- Minimum 3.0 GPA
- Must be planning to attend an accredited 2 or 4-year college/university
- Family member must be a member of the Mountie Athletic Booster Club as of 1/31/26 [If unsure of Mountie Athletic Booster Club status, email rhsboosterclub15@gmail.com or Lottie Secker: lottie.secker@rpsar.net]

Extra Steps and Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- Mountie Booster Club membership question on the Community Scholarship Application
 - One letter of recommendation from coach
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◆ **RHS NATIONAL HONORS SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP** **RHS Students Only**

Amount: \$ VARIES

Requirements:

- Must be an active officer in RHS NHS in good standing

Extra Steps Required:

- RHS NHS officer question on the Community Scholarship Application
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◆ **RHS SEA CLUB SCHOLARSHIP** **RHS Students Only**

Amount: \$ VARIES

Requirements:

- Must be an active RHS Sea Club member in good standing
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◆ **RHS STUDENT COUNCIL DEBRA WINGERT STUDENT LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP** **RHS Students Only**

Amount: \$ VARIES

Requirements:

- Must be an active RHS Student Council member in good standing.
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◆ **RHS TESOROS HISPANOS SCHOLARSHIP** **RHS Students Only**

Amount: \$ VARIES

Requirements:

- Must be an active participant in Tesoros Hispanos Leadership Program in good standing.
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◆ **TUCKER ELEMENTARY: ELZA R. TUCKER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$400

Requirements:

- Must have attended Tucker Elementary for at least one school year.
- Applicants must have a 2.0 or higher GPA, OR submit a letter of recommendation by a current teacher.
- Applicants must demonstrate community service or involvement.

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- Additional online Tucker Elementary PTO Scholarship Google application:
 - [2025-2026 Elza R. Tucker Memorial Scholarship Application](#)
 - Direct Link will also be included in the Smarter Select Community Scholarship Application
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◆ **TUCKER ELEMENTARY: TUCKER TITANS LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$ VARIES

Requirements:

- Must have attended Tucker Elementary for at least one school year.
- Applicants must have a 3.0 or higher GPA, OR submit a letter of recommendation by a current teacher.
- Applicants must demonstrate community service or involvement.

Extra Documents Required [Upload to Additional Documents Section]:

- Additional online Tucker Elementary PTO Scholarship Google application:
 - [2025-2026 Tucker Titans Legacy Scholarship Application](#)
 - Direct Link will also be included in the Smarter Select Community Scholarship Application
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◆ **WILLIAM PAUL PATTERSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: \$1000

Requirements:

- Business, architecture, engineering major
- Student displays qualities of optimism and kindness within their leadership and work