

SMMAFund

A Charitable organization established by the directors of SMMA to support the communities that SMMA serves and the charitable activities of its employees.

Eligibility

The applicant must be a senior at one of the following high schools in Massachusetts:

- Ayer-Shirley
- Bedford
- Bridgewater-Raynham
- Chelsea
- Dennis-Yarmouth
- Douglas
- East Longmeadow
- Grafton
- Hudson
- Lexington
- Lynn Classical
- Marblehead
- Mashpee
- Medford
- North Middlesex
- Quincy
- Roxbury Prep
- Somerville
- Swampscott
- Tewksbury Memorial
- Turners Falls
- Wakefield
- Waltham
- Wellesley
- West Springfield
- Winchester



Waltham High School

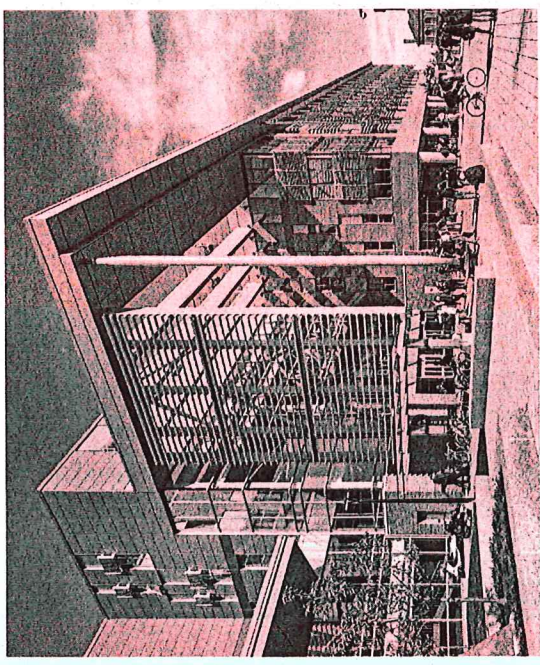
The SMMA is a charitable organization established by the directors of Symmes Maini & McKee Associates, Inc. to support the communities that SMMA serves and the charitable activities of its employees. The Fund provides assistance to organizations and individuals through scholarships and grants.

The SMMA Fund Scholarship Program reflects SMMA's commitment to the communities it serves, demonstrates SMMA's belief in education, and nurtures the design professions. The program provides financial assistance to high school seniors in the form of scholarships awarded for their continued education in a field of design that contributes to the built environment.

Eligibility

Eligible applicants must plan to enroll in an accredited, not-for-profit, educational institution in the United States to pursue study in **Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Interior Design, Environmental Graphic Design** or one of the following **engineering disciplines: HVAC, Electrical, Plumbing, Fire Protection, Structural, or Civil.**

2026 Scholarship Program



Somerville High School

Process and Criteria

Following a screening process, final selection will be based on academic excellence, clarity of goal, and professional promise.

To apply for this program, students must have the completed Application and Recommendation forms along with their school transcript sent to SMMA by the **Friday, March 27, 2026 deadline.**

Contact

Heather McCormack
SMMA
1000 Massachusetts Ave.
Cambridge, MA 02138

hmccormack@smma.com
617.520.9235

Forms

To obtain a copy of the Application and Recommendation forms, please see your Guidance Department or email Heather McCormack at hmccormack@smma.com.

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Eligible applicants must plan to enroll in an accredited, not-for-profit educational institution in the United States and pursue studies in Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Interior Design, Environmental Graphic Design, or one of the following engineering disciplines: HVAC, Electrical, Plumbing, Fire Protection, Structural, or Civil Engineering.

To apply, please **complete this Application Form and submit it by Friday, March 27, 2026** by email to Heather McCormack at hmccormack@smma.com, with your name and SMMA Fund in the subject line.

YOUR BACKGROUND

Name:

Address:

City/State/Zip:

Phone No.: Email Address:

High School you are attending:

Name of Superintendent:

Anticipated graduation date:

Cumulative high school GPA:

1. Describe your school/sports activities (identify roles and accomplishments, and include dates).

2. Describe your community service/volunteer activities (identify roles and accomplishments, and include dates).

[Empty text box for describing community service/volunteer activities]

3. Describe any work you performed for pay (identify responsibilities and accomplishments).

YOUR PLANS

4. Provide the name and location of the college or university you will attend, and the date you will begin.

5. What are your educational and career goals related to Architecture, Landscape Architecture, Interior Design, Environmental Graphic Design, or one of the following engineering disciplines: HVAC, Electrical, Plumbing, Fire Protection, Structural, or Civil Engineering? (300 words or less)

6. What excites or interests you most about the prospect of helping to create the built environment?
(300 words or less)

WHY THIS SCHOLARSHIP

7. Please tell us why this scholarship is important to you (250 words or less).

YOUR REFERENCES

Please provide the names of two people, neither family nor personal friends, who will provide recommendations for you. Please see the **SMMA Fund Recommendation Form**.

Name/Relationship:

Name/Relationship:

YOUR HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT

Please ask your school to provide your high school transcript directly to **SMMA**. **SMMA must be in receipt of your Transcript by Friday, March 27, 2026. Request that your school send your official transcript to the following address:**

**SMMA
Attn: Heather McCormack
1000 Massachusetts Avenue
Cambridge, MA 02138**

APPLICANT'S CHECK LIST

- I read the description of the SMMA Fund Scholarship Program
- I completed the Application Form
- At least 30 days prior to due date, I requested Recommendation Forms from two people and provided them with a copy of the SMMA Fund Recommendation Form to be filled and sent to SMMA. SMMA must be in receipt of your Recommendation Forms by **Friday, March 27, 2026**.
- At least 30 days prior to the due date, I requested an **official transcript** from my high school be sent directly to SMMA.

Please sign the following release so that SMMA may access and/or confirm information if necessary.

I authorize the SMMA Fund Scholarship Committee to review my application materials for this scholarship program and release academic and other pertinent information needed to determine my eligibility and qualifications.

Signature:

Date:

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The SMMA Fund Scholarship Committee respectfully requests your insights into the applicant's activities, accomplishments, and personal characteristics that demonstrate their potential for success. Please complete this form and **submit it to Heather McCormack by email to hmccormack@smma.com**, with student name and SMMA Fund in email subject line. SMMA must be in receipt of your Recommendation Form **by Friday, March 27, 2026**.

Applicant's Name:

Applicant's Address:

Applicant's High School:

1. Tell us how long you have known the applicant and in what capacity.

2. Help us understand the applicant's likely success in higher education and the design professions by rating his/her demonstration of the following attributes and providing comments as you wish.

Rating Scale:

1 - Poor: Rarely demonstrates this attribute

2 - Fair: Demonstrates occasionally or inconsistently

3 - Good: Demonstrates at an expected level

4 - Very Good: Demonstrates consistently and effectively

5 - Excellent: Demonstrates at a high or exemplary level

Leadership

Comments:

Rating (select one):

1 - Poor

2 - Fair

3 - Good

4 - Very Good

5 - Excellent

Creativity

Comments:

Rating (select one):

1 - Poor

2 - Fair

3 - Good

4 - Very Good

5 - Excellent

Collaboration

Comments:

Rating (select one):

1 - Poor

2 - Fair

3 - Good

4 - Very Good

5 - Excellent

Initiative

Comments:

Rating (select one):

1 - Poor

2 - Fair

3 - Good

4 - Very Good

5 - Excellent

Dependability

Comments:

Rating (select one):

1 - Poor

2 - Fair

3 - Good

4 - Very Good

5 - Excellent

Enthusiasm

Comments:

Rating (select one):

1 - Poor

2 - Fair

3 - Good

4 - Very Good

5 - Excellent

3. Provide any other information or observations about the applicant that might assist the committee in its deliberations.

Printed Name:

[Redacted]

Email Address:

[Redacted]

Phone Number:

Signature:

Date: