

Alison Caso Scholarship

Department/Deadline	Service - April 24, 2026
Award & Description	<p>The Alison Caso Guerra Scholarship Award will be presented to a graduating senior in loving memory of Alison Caso Guerra; a teacher at Westorcharde Elementary School who tragically passed away in 2016. After graduating from Boston College, she received Masters Degrees in Elementary Education and Educational Leadership. She was a NYC Teaching fellow and taught at Westorcharde from 2004-2016. With her infectious laugh and great sense of humor, Mrs. Guerra was an influential teacher, well-respected colleague and loyal friend who left an indelible mark on the lives of those she touched. She was an intelligent and passionate individual, who took great pride in her family, students, and career. Through determination, resilience, and a positive attitude, Alison Caso Guerra inspired those around her to work hard to exceed expectations and fulfill their dreams.</p>
Actual Scholarship	\$1,000 (rec'd from EC)
Scholarship Criteria	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Passion for Education or Helping Others ● A strong interest in education, mentorship, or service to others, reflecting Alison’s dedication to her students and school community ● Resilience and Determination ● Evidence of perseverance in the face of challenges, along with a commitment to personal growth and achieving goals ● A consistently positive attitude, strong character, and the ability to uplift others through kindness, humor, and meaningful relationships
Application Requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Personal Essay 250 word essay describing how you embody the qualities of resilience, positivity, and dedication to others. Include specific examples of how you have worked to overcome challenges and made a meaningful impact on those around you. ● 1 letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, or mentor who can speak to your character, perseverance, and ability to positively influence others