

2026 FRED BRAGG MEMORIAL AWARD

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The 45th Annual Fred Bragg Memorial Award” could be awarded to your graduating senior.

The application must be submitted to the Guidance Department by Wednesday, May 20th

“HIGH ACADEMIC STANDING IS NOT A PRIORITY”

THIS IS NOT A SCHOLARSHIP. IT’S AN AWARD.

Who was Fred Bragg? Fred Bragg was not a scholar, or had the greatest athletic ability, but he did have the most common sense and the greatest human spirit of anyone that his family, this committee and so many others have ever known. As a student at Whitesboro Central School, he contributed his time and spirit to different athletic teams. As an adult, for example, he was Chief Purchasing Officer for the Whitestown Youth Association Boys & Girls Baseball & Softball. Fred loved kids – all of them. He would do whatever was asked of him and even do whatever was necessary if he saw that someone needed assistance. Fred could find something good to say about each child he encountered. Anyone who knew Fred misses him and feels a big gap with his passing. This award helps to fill that gap.

Criteria:

- This award is open to all seniors.
- Scholastic rating is not a priority.
- Continuing education a preference. Apprentice and/or Trade School is included.
- Need is not a factor, nor is attendance at college.
- It is the student's selfless contributions to school and community, not the level of academic or athletic achievement that determines the award winner.

Requirements:

- Within 250 words or less, describe to the Fred Bragg Memorial Award Committee how you feel you exemplify the same ideals as Fred Bragg.
(SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY SPIRIT)
- All documents must be submitted to the Guidance Department by **Wednesday, May 20th**.

Awards will be given to seniors from Whitesboro Central School that the committee feels best exemplifies the ideals of Fred Bragg.