



# **GUIDANCE NEWS**

**Huntington High School**

**March 2026**

*Special note:* Some awards are locally sponsored and more easily obtainable than those that are national or state competitions. Essays are usually required. As you look at deadline dates, please plan and allow ample time to prepare all necessary documents.

Kami, on Clever, can be used to complete some applications while others require specific scholarship accounts as indicated. Questions can be directed to Ms. Bonilla in Guidance West. When applicable, students can email or share completed applications to [scholarships@hufsd.edu](mailto:scholarships@hufsd.edu). Official transcripts and letters of recommendations already on Naviance can be printed by Ms. Wallace in Guidance West as needed.

## **CONTESTS & PROGRAMS FOR ALL GRADES**

**THE CIRKLED IN “NO SWEAT” SCHOLARSHIP** is a \$2,500 CASH scholarship you can use for any educational purpose, from books to summer camp. Students 13 years old or older must apply at <https://www.cirkledin.com/scholarships/>. **DEADLINE IS MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>**.

**COLLEGEBOARD OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS** is a scholarship program with \$5 million of scholarships each year. The more effort you put in, the more opportunities you have to earn a scholarship. Complete all six, and you’re eligible to earn \$40,000. Scholarships will be awarded through monthly drawings to seniors, juniors, and sophomores who complete each action, i.e. building your college list. For more information, students should visit <https://opportunity.collegeboard.org/>.

**TOWN OF HUNTINGTON PROJECT EXCEL** presents a writing contest for students in grades 4 through 12. Students are encouraged to submit poetry, short fiction, or an essay as there will be winners in each grade level. Interested students can apply [here](#). **DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 20<sup>TH</sup>**.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS FOR SENIORS**

**\*THE ADAM SPECTOR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** was created to remember and proliferate the values of Adam Spector who passed away from lung cancer in 2014. He was an avid community member, serving on the board of education for multiple terms and participating in Huntington school organizations such as the PTA. He was an outspoken advocate for the community, consistently fighting for solutions that served the best interests of all. Two scholarships of \$2000 will be awarded to a senior who plans to enroll in a two- or four- year college, university, vocational program upon graduation. Students must demonstrate satisfactory academic standing, financial aid need, and resiliency and submit a personal essay. Interested students can learn more [here](#) and share or email completed applications to [scholarships@hufsd.edu](mailto:scholarships@hufsd.edu). **DEADLINE IS APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup>.**

**\*ADVENTURELAND'S HELPING HANDS FOUNDATION** is now accepting applications for the Vivian & Tony Gentile Scholarship, the Sachem Dental Group Endowment Scholarship, the Island Harvest Scholarship, and more! Students must be seniors who plan to attend a Long Island college or university full-time in the fall. Students applying to the Sachem Dental Group Endowment must pursue a degree in the medical/health/ or science fields. Thirteen \$5,000 scholarships will be awarded. Students should log on to <http://www.helpinghandsli.org/> and click on Scholarship Fund to apply. **DEADLINE IS JULY 17<sup>TH</sup>.**

**THE BARBARA C. HARRIS SCHOLAR'S PROGRAM** provides financial support of up to \$5,000 to Black, African American and Caribbean students interested in attending community college, four-year college or university, trade, apprenticeship or vocational school. Interested students can apply at <https://www.dioceseli.org/reparations>. **DEADLINE IS APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup>.**

**BP COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM** is available to seniors who are planning to attend a two or four-year college and can demonstrate financial need. Interested students are invited to apply online at [www.bpscholarships.com](http://www.bpscholarships.com). **DEADLINE IS MARCH 16<sup>TH</sup>.**

**THE CHIME SCHOLARS FOUNDATION** provides students up to \$20,000 in renewable scholarships and the support they need to finish school and launch their careers. Chime Scholars are eligible for up to \$5,000 per year to cover tuition, books, housing, and other educational expenses. Scholars are required to fill out a short renewal application annually and are eligible for up to four years of support for undergraduate programs and up to three years for transfer, trade, and technical programs (for a maximum total of \$20,000 per scholar). Interested students should visit [chime.com/about-us/chime-scholars-foundation](http://chime.com/about-us/chime-scholars-foundation) to learn more and apply. **DEADLINE IS MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>.**

**THE COUNCIL OF ADMINISTRATORS AND SUPERVISORS (CAS)** awards four college scholarships of \$1,000 each to children or stepchildren. The scholarships are based on academic achievement, school, and community involvement. CAS members whose children or stepchildren will graduate at the end of the current school year and plan to attend college or university the following school year are eligible to apply. Interested students can click [here](#) for more information and to apply. **DEADLINE IS MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>.**

**\*DANTE FOUNDATION OF NASSAU COUNTY** will award several \$10,000 scholarships to seniors of Italian American ancestry who live in Nassau or Suffolk County. Students who have achieved academic success, participated in extracurricular activities and scored above average on the SAT/ACT exam are encouraged to apply. Each high school may submit four applications for consideration. Interested students can click [here](#) for more information and must submit completed applications to Ms. Bonilla in Guidance West by end of school day or email to [scholarships@hufsd.edu](mailto:scholarships@hufsd.edu). **DEADLINE TO SUBMIT IS MARCH 13<sup>TH</sup>.**

**GERALD J. BUCKENMAYER FASNY VOLUNTEER SCHOLARSHIPS** offers twenty-five \$1,500 scholarships to young volunteer firefighters who plan to continue their post-secondary education. Interested students should visit <https://fasny.com/awards/scholarship/> for more information. **DEADLINE IS MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup>.**

**\*GREENLAWN FIRE DEPARTMENT** awards three scholarships of \$1,000 to graduating seniors who live within the Greenlawn Fire District and have “given something back” to their school. Applications are available [here](#) and are due to Ms. Bonilla in Guidance West. **DEADLINE IS APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup>.**

**THE HAGAN SCHOLARSHIP** is a nationwide need-based merit scholarship, providing recipients with the opportunity to achieve their goals and graduate college debt-free. The scholarship provides \$2,000 to help pay for essential items to attend college and up to \$7,500 each semester for up to 8 consecutive semesters. Hagan Scholars have attended 637 colleges and universities located in 49 states and the District of Columbia and have studied abroad in 58 countries. To learn more or apply, students should visit <https://haganscholarships.org/>. **DEADLINE IS MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup>.**

**HAMILTON RELAY** is currently accepting applications for the Hamilton Relay High School Scholarship of \$1,000 per qualifying state, which will be awarded in Spring 2026. Candidates must be deaf, hard of hearing, DeafBlind or have difficulty speaking to be considered. Interested students should visit <https://hamiltonrelay.com/high-school-scholarships/>. **DEADLINE IS MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>.**

**\*THE HONORABLE PETER FOX COHALAN SCHOLARSHIP IN AMERICAN HISTORY** is awarded to a graduating Suffolk County high school senior who will pursue an undergraduate degree with a concentrated study of a minimum of 24 credit hours in American History and/or American Government. The scholarship award is \$10,000 per year for up to four years of degree completion. Only 3 students per high school can apply. Please see Ms. Bonilla in Guidance West with intent to apply by March 26<sup>th</sup>. For more information, students should visit [here](#). **DEADLINE IS MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>**.

**\*HUNTINGTON LIONS CLUB** will award a \$5,000 scholarship, payable in installments. The award will be based on financial need, service to the community and school, academic accomplishments, and acceptance to an accredited academic institution. A copy of the Financial Aid Form, SAT scores, and a letter of recommendation must be included. Applications are available [here](#) and are due to Ms. Bonilla in Guidance West. **DEADLINE IS APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup>**.

**\*THE HUNTINGTON MARINE CORPS LEAGUE DETACHMENT** is proud to offer two scholarships of up to \$2,000 to candidates who are residents of the Town of Huntington. Candidates must have a family member who is a former or current marine and plan to attend an accredited college/ university/ trade school upon graduation. Students can visit [here](#) for more information. **DEADLINE IS MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>**.

**\*THE HUNTINGTON MEN'S CHORUS** is soliciting applications from seniors at each high school in the Town of Huntington to receive a single will \$1,250 scholarship. Any students with formal choral experience during high school and community service activities who are planning on attending an accredited college after graduation are encouraged to apply. This scholarship is not limited to a male students. Interested students should visit [here](#) for more information and the application. **DEADLINE IS MARCH 27<sup>TH</sup>**.

**ISLAND FEDERAL CREDIT UNION** will award eleven high school seniors scholarships of \$2,500 - \$10,000. Eligible students must be accepted into a full-time undergraduate program at the time of entry and hold an Island checking/debit card account. Print out and complete the Scholarship Entry Form at <https://www.islandfcu.org/Island-Scholarship.aspx>. **DEADLINE IS APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup>**.

**\*THE JUNIOR WELFARE LEAGUE'S YOUTH IN PHILANTHROPY AWARD** is open to female high school seniors who reside in the Township of Huntington. Applicants should exhibit all that the JWL of Huntington believes in and strives for a sense of community, a giving spirit, compassion, and a willingness to assist those in need. Interested students should visit [here](#). **DEADLINE IS MARCH 14<sup>TH</sup>**.

**THE LIFE LESSONS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM** is open only to legal residents of the United States who are between 17 and 24 years of age, have experienced the death of a parent

or legal guardian, and are currently enrolled in, or have been accepted to, a college, university or trade school within the United States. Interested students should visit [here](#) to learn more and apply. **DEADLINE IS MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>.**

**THE LORRAINE PACE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP** sponsored by Good Samaritan Hospital Foundation is available to students who have been directly impacted by cancer and whose guardian resides outside of Huntington. For more details and to apply, interested students should fill out the application [here](#). Students who need assistance mailing out the completed application need to contact Ms. Bonilla a week before the deadline date. **DEADLINE IS APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup>.**

**NEW YORK SCHOOLS INSURANCE RECIPROCAL (NYSIR)** announces the following scholarships that will award winners up to \$5,000:

The Bambino Scholarship is available to a special education student who is college bound. The goal of this scholarship is to reward a student who has worked through his/her special challenges to complete high school and gain acceptance into a college or university.

The Goncalves Scholarship is available to a student who demonstrates an involvement and work for a cause or organization that promotes social justice, equal opportunity, relief of human suffering; or other aspiration generally understood to be within the meaning of humanitarian activity throughout his/her high school career.

The Jensen Scholarship is available to a student who has excelled in design in his or her high school career. The goal of this scholarship is to reward a student who has shown interest and promise in design and who wishes to pursue this path in college.

Interested students should click [here](#) for more information. **DEADLINE IS APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup>.**

**\*OMEGA PSI PHI FRATERNITY INC./CHI RHO CHAPTER ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP** of \$1,000 is designed to help (Suffolk County) students in need who will be or is attending an accredited college in the upcoming year. This scholarship is open to African American/Latino males. Interested students should click [here](#). **DEADLINE IS MAY 15<sup>TH</sup>.**

**THE ORGANIZATION OF LATINO ACTUARIES (OLA)** is proud to announce its 2026 Scholarship and OLA Avanza Conference Travel Sponsorship Program. With just one application, candidates are eligible for two impactful opportunities: financial support for their education and the chance to experience OLA's in-person event. Applications will be

evaluated on various criteria including, but not limited to, academic performance, commitment to pursuing the actuarial profession, exam progress, work experience, and leadership experience. Scholarship winners of up to \$7,500 are expected to be notified in July 2026. Interested students should visit <https://members.latinactuaries.org/page/OLA-Scholarship-Avanza-2026> to apply and learn more. **DEADLINE IS MARCH 31<sup>ST</sup>.**

**SENATOR JOSÉ PERALTA NEW YORK STATE DREAM ACT** gives undocumented and other students access to New York State-administered grants and scholarships that support their higher education costs. Students can visit <https://www.hesc.ny.gov/dream/> to learn more and make an account. Students eligible to apply for financial aid through the NYS DREAM Act must also complete an application for each program they are interested in obtaining aid from. *Students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible.*

**\*THE VINCENT D'ANTONI-RICHMOND MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** honors the life and legacy Vincent D'Antoni-Richmond, who tragically lost his life to fentanyl poisoning. Candidates must reside in the Town of Huntington and write an original essay regarding select social challenges. To learn more student can visit [here](#) for the application. **DEADLINE IS MARCH 15<sup>TH</sup>.**

**\*WESTERN SUFFOLK COUNSELORS ASSOCIATION** will be awarding Suffolk County seniors who volunteer and plan on pursuing a post-secondary education this fall. An essay, letter from an activity advisor, resume of volunteer experience and official transcript is required. Please see [here](#) for an application. You must be nominated by your counselor to be considered. Completed applications must be submitted to Ms. Bonilla in Guidance West or emailed or shared through google drive to [scholarships@hufsd.edu](mailto:scholarships@hufsd.edu) by **MARCH 16<sup>TH</sup>** for consideration.

#### WEBSITES FOR SCHOLARSHIP SEARCHES

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com)

[www.collegeanswer.com](http://www.collegeanswer.com)

[www.MeritAid.com](http://www.MeritAid.com)

[www.studentscholarshi](http://www.studentscholarshi)

[ps.org](http://ps.org)

[www.scholarshipguidan](http://www.scholarshipguidan)

[ce.com](http://ce.com)

<https://www.maldef.org/>

Families are encouraged to visit <https://www.hesc.ny.gov/get-help/find-event/> for more opportunities to get one-on-one help or to get more information about financial aid.

**Friendly reminder: If your counselor or teacher needs to submit information, please provide them with ample time prior to the deadline for submission. Teacher recommendation letters and transcripts are available to Ms. Bonilla through Naviance.**

**Also, please be reminded that you have access to scholarships at any point in time by accessing your Naviance account on Clever. Just click "Colleges" and "Scholarships and Money" to find your free money!**