

# Scholarship Opportunities 2016-2017

## **Deputy Frank J. O'Brien Memorial Scholarship Fund**

Eligibility Requirements:

1. Currently enrolled in a High School within Rensselaer County, NY
2. Graduating senior attending 2- or 4-year college in fall of 2017
3. While all are encouraged to apply, preference will be given to students pursuing a career in law enforcement or criminal justice.

Essay #1: 50 to 200 words, not judged on length – Select one person in your life who has been a significant influence on you and explain why.

Essay #2: 50 to 200 words, not judged on length – Explain what your plans are after college and how you will utilize your education.

Both essays should be computer printed and must be attached.

**Must be received by committee by:** June 3, 2017

## **The Price Chopper/Market 32 Corporate Scholarship Program 2017**

Students must apply online for up to four scholarships. Information is available on their website:

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

**Deadline: June 2, 2017**

## **2017 Rensselaer County JSEC Educational Scholarship**

\$500 check made payable to the student's institution of acceptance

- Student must be full-time resident of Rensselaer County (minimum of one year)
- Student must have a minimum cumulative average of at least 85
- Student must be planning to attend college on a full-time basis
- Early acceptance, vocational aspiration, writing quality, previous work/volunteer activities, educational proficiency and demonstrated financial need will carry weight in determining scholarship recipient.
- Student must have a GED, High School diploma or be a member of the current year's high school graduating class in good standing.

Applications are available in the Counseling Office.

**DEADLINE: May 31, 2017**

## **Berlin Teachers' Association Scholarship**

Each year, the Berlin Teachers' Association awards a scholarship in the amount of five hundred dollars to a Berlin senior who is interested in pursuing a career in the field of education and or public service. The money is intended to help the student with college expenses. Students seeking this grant should fill out the scholarship form, attach their essay, and give it to Mrs. Harrison. Essays will be reviewed by a committee of three to five teachers. Students must submit this application, including the essay, by the deadline of June 3.

## **Berlin Volunteer Fire Department**

\$600 per year for up to four years – Maximum Award: \$2,400

Must be a Berlin resident, graduating senior seeking a higher education in the following fields: Fire Science, Fire Protection Engineering, Forestry, Health, Medicine, Police Sciences, Education or Human Services.

Applications available in the Counseling Center.

Due Date: June 2, 2017

## **Berlin Rescue Squad**

It is with great honor that the Berlin Rescue Squad offers a scholarship award to a **Town of Berlin** resident and graduating senior of the Class of 2017.

1. Resident of the Town of Berlin (including Cherry Plain)
2. Career goals in the following will be given priority consideration, but anyone may apply (please circle or indicate):
  - a. Health

- b. Medicine
- c. Emergency Services Management
- d. Education or Human Services

**Application Deadline – June 2, 2017**

**Submit to the Counseling Office**

#### **Berlin Central School District - Class of 2017 - Local Scholarships**

The 2017 Local Scholarship packet is available in the Counseling Office. Students will complete one application which will qualify them for one or more of 11 listed scholarships. Completed applications and documentation must be returned to the Counseling Office **no later than Thursday, May 18th.**

#### **Berlin High School PTO Scholarship**

Requirements: Student must be a graduating senior who has attended the Berlin Middle High School for at least two years and participated in one of the following during those two years:

- Music Program (Band and/or Chorus) and/or Drama Club
- Community Service (volunteer work within or outside the school)
- Interscholastic Sports Program

DEADLINE: May 26, 2017

#### **Stephentown Memorial Library Scholarship**

This year Stephentown Memorial Library will award one graduating high school senior for his or her service to the Stephentown community with a \$1,000 scholarship to a two- or four year college or university. To be eligible for consideration, the student must provide the following:

- Three letters of reference: one from the school counselor and two from non-relative adults.
- An 800 word essay summarizing his or her record of public service and plans for college.
- A copy of your school transcript.
- Resident of Stephentown.

Completed applications should be mailed no later than May 12, 2017

### **The Grafton Community Library and Grafton Historical Society Presents**

#### **The Ethel Simmons Memorial Award - 2017**

The Award is \$400

Requirements and a copy of the application form is available at the Grafton Community Library, Counseling Offices of Berlin, Brittonkill, Catholic Central, Hoosick Falls, Averill Park, and at [www.graftoncommunitylibrary.org](http://www.graftoncommunitylibrary.org) or email the Grafton Historical Society at, [jpaine53@gmail.com](mailto:jpaine53@gmail.com).

A member of the Grafton Historical Society will be present at the Grafton Town Hall on May 6, from 10am-1pm and May 20, from 12-2pm.

The deadline for receiving applications is 1pm on Saturday, June 3, 2017

#### **George Sheffield Memorial Scholarship – Deadline May 10, 2017**

##### **CSEA Albany County Local 801**

George Sheffield Memorial Scholarship

Two \$1, 250 awards annually

1. must be a child of a **CSEA Local 801** member in good standing (a municipal, or board of education employee within Albany County)
2. must be a high school senior graduating in June of the current year.
3. has at least a cumulative “B” , 80%, or 3.0 grade point average.
4. must show proof of acceptance to a two or four year college, university, or trade school.

Criteria: Academic record, school activities, and financial necessity.

DEADLINE: May 10, 2017

#### **Berlin Central School District Alumni Association Scholarship**

Application available in the Counseling Office.

No requirements – everyone can apply.

Deadline: May 15, 2017

#### **MARGARET J. KINN SCHOLARSHIP**

This scholarship will be given to a deserving Berlin High School graduate pursuing a business finance or accounting degree program:

- The student must be enrolled in a 2 or 4 year college
- The student must maintain a 3.0 GPA and will receive \$1,000 for each year completed for the length of the program
- This scholarship will be awarded to a student to whom it will make a difference to, not based upon their highest GPA, but who will benefit the most.

To apply, students must write an essay explaining why they are interested in their chosen field, their outside work and extra-curricular activities while at Berlin Central School District and what they hope to do after graduating from college. Selection will be made by the Berlin Alumni Association.

Applications are available in the Counseling Office and should be returned to the School Counselor.

**Deadline: May 15, 2017**

To receive the award the recipient must attend the Alumni Banquet:

June 3, 2017 - 6:30 pm

Hilton Garden Inn, Hoosick Street, Troy, NY

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Three letters of reference: one from the school counselor and two from any source excluding relatives.

An 800 word essay summarizing his or her record of public service and plans for college, and a current transcript.

Applicants should submit these materials, along with a cover letter that includes a current mailing address, phone number and e-mail address, no later than May 12, 2017.

## **Cornell Cooperative Extension Rensselaer County Scholarships**

### Farm Credit East Scholarship

Farm Credit Services East provides up to thirty one- \$1500 scholarships to qualified students. They look for students committed to having a career in agriculture, commercial fishing, or the forest products industry. More information about this scholarship can be found by visiting the Farm Credit East scholarship website at: <https://www.farmcrediteast.com/Scholarship> Application Deadline is April 5th.

### Rensselaer County Farm Bureau

Rensselaer County Farm Bureau is proud to sponsor scholarships for candidate (s) interested in pursuing a career in agriculture. **Must be postmarked on or before August 15.** The scholarship guidelines can be found [here](#).

### Milk Lovers Ball Scholarship - Larry Peck Memorial Scholarship

The Tri County Holstein Club has dedicated the proceeds from their Milk Lovers Ball to go toward a scholarship in memory of Larry Peck. Youth who are enrolled in the fall of 2017 in a college majoring in an Agriculture related degree who have a minimum GPA of 3.0 are eligible to apply. For a full application please contact the CCE office, application is due January 1st.

### Rensselaer County 4-H Teen Council Scholarships

Presented annually to three high school seniors who exemplify the Essential Elements of 4-H. Applications can be found on the [Forms page](#).

### The Beryl H. Moul Memorial Grange Scholarship

Established in 1958 by West Sand Lake Grange #949 in memory of prominent Grange member Beryl H. Moul. Applicants must be pursuing a career in Agriculture, Home Economics, Human Ecology, Family Sciences, Forestry, Human or Animal Medicine, Education, Consumer Sciences, Nursing, Natural Resource Management, Environmental Engineering, or Pharmacology. The instructions and application can be found on our [Forms page](#).

### Timothy H. Gifford Memorial Scholarship

The Timothy H. Gifford Memorial Scholarship Fund was established in 2011 by the Gifford Family in memory of Tim Gifford. Tim Gifford was an active farmer and enthusiastic member of Rensselaer County 4-H, showing both sheep and cows at the Schaghticoke Fair. Tim always lived life to its fullest. This \$1,500 scholarship has been made possible due to the generosity and kindness of the local community to which Tim belonged. One scholarship is available annually to anyone pursuing post-secondary education in agriculture or mechanics. Although special consideration is given to current/ past 4-H members, the applicant need not to be a member to apply. Applicants are encouraged to apply multiple years, although each recipient can only receive the scholarship once. The application must be post marked by May 1, 2017. The application can be found on the [forms page](#).

### Rensselaer County Dairy Princess Committee Scholarship

Awarded to a Rensselaer County Resident who will be entering college. The purpose of this scholarship is to award funding for an educational endeavor to a deserving student who exemplifies the qualities of the dairy industry. Applications can be found on our [Forms page](#).

### Safe Driving Scholarship

Driving-Tests.org is proud to announce a new \$2,500 scholarship for all high school juniors and seniors, as well as undergraduate university or community college students in the United States.

This scholarship is being offered to reward students for using their creativity to encourage safe driving behaviors. To apply for the scholarship, candidates will create a 2-minute video and post it online. Click here for [more information](#).

### Farm Kids for College Scholarship

Some of the most exciting careers available today are in agriculture, on farms and throughout the industry. Farm enterprises, science careers, the vast dairy, grain and livestock industries. Ag has just about everything. At National Farmers, we are honored to encourage the next generation to chase their ag dreams – and catch them. Part of how we at National Farmers do that, is through the national Farm Kids for College Scholarship. Follow this link for more information: [Farm Kids for College Scholarship](#)

### **New York Farm Bureau**

[www.eny@nyfb.org](http://www.eny@nyfb.org)

Candidate must be a resident of Rensselaer County, a member of the Farm Bureau and studying an agriculturally related field. Criteria for selection:

- Ability and Potential
- Academic performance
- Scholarship Application
- Letter of Recommendation
- Interview by Scholarship Committee (at committee's discretion)

Applications available in the Counseling Center

Deadline: Postmarked June 1, 2017

### **Petersburgh Fire Department – Cindy Harrison Memorial Scholarship**

Application Requirements:

- A completed Petersburgh Fire Department/Cindy Harrison Memorial Scholarship application must be submitted. **DEADLINE: May 12, 2017.**
- Applicant must write and submit a brief essay summarizing how he/she meets the basic criteria.
- Two (2) letters of recommendation from non-relatives must be submitted.
- Applicant must be planning to attend college or vocational training and be fully matriculated prior to receiving the award/grant.

Application is available in the Counseling Office.

### **PNC Richard M. Pedro Scholarship**

The Department of New York is offering a \$1,000 scholarship in memory of Past National Commander Richard M. Pedro, who was also a past department commander and long-time department adjutant.

The scholarship is available to high school seniors residing in New York State who are descendants (child, grandchild, and great-grandchild) of living or deceased Legionnaires; or who are children of New York service members who died in the war on terrorism.

**Deadline for submitting an application is June 15, 2017.** The application must be accompanied by an essay less than 500 words or a video on the topic of "the importance of The American Legion in my community." The scholarship will be awarded during the annual Department Convention in July. <https://nylegion.net/wp-content/uploads/2017/01/Richard-M.-Pedro-Scholarship-Application-fill.pdf>

### **The 2017 Aspiring Nurse Scholarship**

<http://www.nursingschoolsalmanac.com/node/17039>

Nursing Schools Almanac is proud to announce our third annual Aspiring Nurse Scholarship. We will award a \$1,000 scholarship to an aspiring nurse who best demonstrates:

- A track record of academic excellence, particularly in science and mathematics
- A passion for the nursing profession and the overall field of healthcare

#### **Competition eligibility**

This scholarship competition is open to all U.S. high school seniors who plan to pursue college education in nursing, including LPN / LVN, ADN, and BSN programs.

#### **FIND A SCHOOL**

Applicants must be in good academic standing and on track to graduate from high school at the conclusion of the 2016-17 academic year. Only one application entry is accepted per student.

#### **Important dates**

**June 30, 2017: Submission deadline for scholarship applications** is 11:59pm PT.

July 2017: Scholarship committee will meet to review all applications received.

August 2017: Winner will be notified and \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

#### **Application form**

Interested students may find the complete scholarship application form [here](#). We recommend composing the 500-word essay in your favorite word processor and then pasting the finished product into this form.

## "Aspiring Fashion Professional" Scholarship

Fashion-Schools.org is proud to announce our fourth annual "Aspiring Fashion Professional" Scholarship Program. Our goal for this program is twofold:

1. To promote fashion and its related fields as a career path for young people
  2. To encourage aspiring fashion professionals to research and understand what a career in fashion requires.
- Our program offers scholarship opportunities to high school seniors in the US. A single \$1000 scholarship will be awarded.

Scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors who:

1. Intend to pursue a fashion related field at an accredited post-secondary school or college.
2. Have a demonstrable record of academic success.
3. Have a passion and drive for a fashion related career.

### Selection Criteria

- Scholarship may be used at any accredited post-secondary school or college.
- Selection is based on the students high school academic performance combined with the student's application essay.
- Selection is determined by the Fashion-Schools.org staff.
- Scholarship is a one-year non-renewable scholarship.
- Application and essay are submitted online at [www.Fashion-Schools.org](http://www.Fashion-Schools.org).

### Eligibility:

The scholarship is limited to high school seniors in the US pursuing a fashion related degree program at an accredited post-secondary school or college. Fashion related fields include, but are not limited to, the following programs:

- Fashion Design
- Fashion Merchandising
- Fashion Marketing
- Fashion Management
- Fashion Retailing

### Application process:

There are two steps to the application process:

**Step 1:** Applicants must submit an application via the [scholarship application form](#) on Fashion-Schools.org.

**Step 2:** Applicants must submit an original 250-500 word original essay on the following topic:

What specific skill do you most want to develop?

Essay is submitted via our [scholarship application page](#) and MUST include your name and contact information (so we know whose application goes with which essay!).

## "Aspiring Animation Professional" Scholarship

The 2nd Scholarship is the "Aspiring Animation Professional" Scholarship Program. This is the 5th year we are awarding this scholarship for AnimationCareerReview.com. We are offering high school seniors the opportunity to win a \$1,000 scholarship. This will be awarded to students that are interested in pursuing an animation career path at an accredited post-secondary school or college. We ask that you have interested students visit our website, <http://www.animationcareerreview.com/> to find eligibility information along with the online application. The scholarship will be on the right side of the page and click on it. Deadline: June 1, 2017

## "Aspiring Business Professional" Scholarship

The 3rd scholarship was started late last year and is being offered again this year. "Aspiring Business Professional" Scholarship. This is a \$1,000 scholarship that will be awarded to students that are interested in pursuing a business degree at any accredited post-secondary school or college. Interested students can visit this link <http://www.onlinembareport.com/> and find the scholarship located at the right side of the page and click on it.

**Deadline for applications is June 1, 2017.** Scholarship winners will be announced in July 2017 and the scholarships paid in August, 2017.

## Hudson Valley Community College's Liberal Arts HonorsScholar Program

25 students will be accepted into the Honorscholar program designed for students who are: intellectually curious, serious about their academic goals, willing to challenge their views, willing to discuss their ideas, willing to accept various cultures and perspectives, eager to be a part of a community of scholars that includes peers and faculty. The program provides excellent transfer options and guarantees a \$3000 scholarship each academic year (roughly 75% of tuition). There is a community service component to the program. Those interested in joining the HonorScholar community at Hudson Valley must meet academic entry requirements - a high school average of at least 90 and a cumulative score of at least 1100 on the SAT math and critical

reading sections. Additional information and the supplemental application are available at the website:  
<http://www.hvcc.edu/honorscholar/> The submission deadline is March 31, 2017 for applicants wishing to be considered for early admission action. All other applications must be submitted by June 30, 2017. **3/31/17 for Early Decision-----6/30/17 for Regular Decision**

**[StudentScholarships.org](http://www.studentscholarships.org)**

New York high school students are encouraged to apply to any of the 9 scholarship programs offered by StudentScholarships.org. If you are interested in a more comprehensive list of scholarship opportunities, please visit the website. <https://www.studentscholarships.org/2016scholarships.php>