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EARL L. VANDERMEULEN HIGH SCHOOL
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SCHOLARSHIPS

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Program SCHOLARSHIP	AMOUNT	CRITERIA	DEADLINE
<p>The Andrew McMorris Foundation Scholarship 2025</p>	<p>\$250 - \$2,500</p>	<p>The Andrew McMorris Foundation was created to honor the memory of an extraordinary twelve-year-old boy, Andrew McMorris, who was tragically killed by a drunk driver while hiking with his Boy Scout troop in the Fall of 2018. Andrew was full of life and a positive spirit. His charisma was contagious. A friend to everyone, Andrew had a way of making everyone feel good about themselves, and he had a knack for bringing people together. He consistently demonstrated his compassion and care for others. Andrew’s passion and zest for life were unrelenting, and he never wanted to waste a moment. He loved music, scouting, painting, skiing, hiking, dancing, and traveling, but most of all he loved aviation. Since he could walk, Andrew dreamed he would someday become a pilot. He had already taken his first flight lesson by the summer of 2018. Andrew was a dreamer who lived life to the fullest.</p> <p>Eligibility Criteria: We are looking for a candidate who embodies Andrew’s qualities. The candidate for this award should demonstrate kindness, selflessness, and a commitment to improving their community and leading an impactful life. The applicant must be a high school senior who plans to continue their education in either a two to four-year program or a trade school. Applicants involved in a scouting program, interested in fine and performing arts, and interested in aviation are encouraged to apply.</p> <p>If interested, please apply on-line to:</p> <p>https://andrewmcmorrisfoundation.org/awards</p>	<p>3/30/25</p>
<p>Thomas Cutinella Memorial Foundation</p>	<p>Various</p>	<p>Thomas Cutinella was a loved and respected sixteen-year-old junior at Shoreham Wading River High School. He cherished life and he always put others first. Thomas set his goals high and was determined to be the best possible human being he could be. Thomas was an exceptional person with unquestionable character and integrity. He was an energetic leader in the classroom, on the athletic fields and in the community in which he lived. Thomas assumed many leadership roles throughout his life, but he always found the time to help others, especially those who faced difficult circumstances. Thomas also understood the importance of volunteerism, academics and giving back. He planned on attending the United States Military Academy and he was determined to make the world a better place.</p>	<p>4/1/25</p>

	<p><u>The Criteria</u> The Thomas Cutinella Memorial Scholarship was established to honor the memory of this truly outstanding young man. Students applying for this award must exhibit characteristics of kindness, modesty, selflessness, as well as a genuine concern for improving the condition of the community at large. The applicant for this scholarship must inspire and share the fundamental beliefs and values that defined Thomas’s life. This person must be exceptional.</p> <p><u>Eligibility and Details</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant must be a high school senior who plans to pursue a higher education. • Applicant must have an 88 minimum cumulative average. • Applicant must attach his/her high school transcript. (unofficial is ok) • Applicant must be involved in extracurricular activities. • Applicant must provide (1) letter of recommendation from a high school teacher, coach or staff member. • Application: Student must submit via email, their school transcript together with the letter of recommendation AND word document response covering the items below to 54tomc@gmail.com by April 1, 2025. Note: please submit all items in one e-mail <p>Application in the word document to include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name • Address • Phone number/e-mail address • Intended major • Any honors, awards or scholarships already received. • Colleges you have applied to and the current admissions status. • Personal Statement: include any other information that you would like the scholarship committee to consider when reviewing your application. • 500 word or less essay on “What inspires you to help others” <p>Scholarships will be announced at tom54.org in May 2025</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 3 - Shoreham Wading River High School • 4 - other High Schools or organizations. • Amounts: 1-\$1500, 1-\$1000, 2-\$750, 3-\$500 	