

HINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL

CLASS OF 2010

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

FOR

COLLEGE

VOCATIONAL, OR

TECHNICAL SCHOOL

PLEASE NOTE:

**LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
FORM AT BACK OF PAMPHLET**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE: NO LATER THAN
3:00 PM – MARCH 5, 2010**

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Many families are understandably concerned about paying for rising college costs. Hingham High School is fortunate in having a local scholarship program which grants financial aid to a large number of graduating seniors, and Hingham organizations are generous in providing funds for these scholarships.

The Class of 2009 at Hingham High School received over 320 awards and scholarships from local organizations and trust funds. The total cash value of the scholarships was over \$250,000---one of the largest scholarship funds on the south shore!

Application for Hingham local aid is a relatively simple process. Most of the organizations will require the local application found in the back of this booklet. Thus, by filling out the local application, a student will be eligible for over 100 scholarships! You may find an explanation of the local scholarships at www.hinghamschools.com. Included in this list are some scholarships which require an additional application.

The process of selecting candidates for scholarships varies from club to club. Some organizations choose recipients with the School Counseling Office coordinating the program. Other organizations ask the Hingham High School Scholarship Committee to make the selection. Committee members include the superintendent of schools, high school principal, assistant principals, director of pupil services, school counselors, and faculty members. **ALL DISCUSSIONS ARE COMPLETELY CONFIDENTIAL.**

REGIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Each year close to 100 regional scholarships are offered to seniors. These scholarships may be for a particular school, such as Boston University, or for a particular major, such as engineering. These awards are often based on merit rather than need and, thus, are very competitive.

Announcements of regional scholarships are received in the School Counseling Office and kept in a "scholarship basket." Examples of regional scholarships are: The Scituate Federal Savings Bank-Allan R. Wheeler Memorial Scholarship, the Mark Bavis Leadership Foundation, and the Henry David Thoreau Foundation. Students should check the scholarship basket periodically and should ask their counselors for further information about the scholarships offered.

FEDERAL, STATE AND INSTITUTION AID

Aside from local aid, students should consider applying for money from the federal government, the state government, and the colleges. Financial aid is generally awarded on the basis of need.

Students who wish to apply for financial aid are required to fill out the FAFSA which is available in the School Counseling Office and online at www.fafsa.ed.gov. This form must be used as the appropriate application for federal awards such as the Federal Pell Grants, the Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants (SEOG), Federal College Work-Study (CWS), Federal Perkins Loans and Federal Stafford Loans. The FAFSA is also used for state grants and awards from educational institutions themselves. The questions asked on the form are designed to obtain information needed by colleges about the family's financial structure. This information is used to determine which qualified students' needs are the greatest. Students may also be required to fill out a college Scholarship Service (CSS) Profile online at www.collegeboard.com. The CSS is required by some private colleges and helps determine eligibility for institutional aid. Students should check with individual schools to see if they require a CSS Profile. The final determination of candidates' financial need and the selection of the scholarship recipients are made by the individual colleges, each having its own standards for awarding aid. **To be considered for need-based local scholarships, students must fill out the FAFSA and submit a copy of the Student Aid Report (SAR) along with their application. Students do not need to fill**

out the CSS Profile to be considered for local scholarships. If you are applying for Merit-based Scholarships only, you do not have to fill out the FAFSA and submit a copy of the SAR.

SCHOLARSHIPS WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE APPLICATIONS

Each year there are some scholarships presented to recognize and honor students who are outstanding in particular areas. Students do not apply for these awards but are selected according to the criteria established by the donors. The following are honorary awards that require no application:

- The Cyrus V. Bacon & Ada B. W. Bacon Scholarship
- The Grace F. Burton Music Scholarship (not given every year)
- The Grossman Memorial Scholarship
- The 1988-1989 Hingham Band Scholarship
- The Hingham High School Town Basketball Boosters' Club Scholarship
- The Pamela Noble-Hill Memorial Scholarship (Class of 1970)
- The Isaac Sprague Art Award sponsored by the Hingham Historical Society
- The William A. Dwiggins Scholarship sponsored by the Hingham Historical Society

The following scholarships may be awarded to students who have not filed local applications. However, preference will be given to applicants who have filed the local forms.

- Wallace Lee Chipman Music Prize
- The Hingham Theatre for Children Scholarship
- The Margaret McElroy Award
- Ann Mulholland Memorial Fund
- The Caroline S. Murdock Award in Family & Consumer Science

ADDITIONAL APPLICATION REQUIRED

The following scholarships are guaranteed to be awarded to Hingham students; however, each club and organization requires a separate application. Applications will be available in the School Counseling Office or by contacting the club directly.

- The Aisling Gallery Scholarship
- The Hingham Civic Music Theatre Scholarship
- The Hingham Community Center Scholarship
- The Hingham Federal Credit Union Scholarship
- The Hingham Mothers' Club Scholarship
- The Hingham Rotary Club Scholarship
- The Dean Keeler Memorial Football Scholarship
- The Leslie J. Messina Educational Trust
- The Old Colony Masonic Lodge Scholarship
- The Scituate Federal Savings Bank-Allan R. Wheeler Memorial Scholarship
- The Philip O. Swanson Memorial Fund-Future Teacher Award

Although the following area-wide scholarships are not guaranteed to Hingham students, we recommend reviewing the necessary eligibility requirements. Applications are available by contacting the club directly.

- The Pilgrim Skating Arena Scholarship
- The Sons of Italy South Shore Lodge #1850 Scholarship