

WEST HIGH ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM APPLICATION

CLASS OF 2019

Each year, the West High Alumni Association aims to help graduating West High seniors pursue their higher education goals.

The number of scholarships awarded each year varies, but are awarded to deserving West High seniors who are committed to pursuing a college education and demonstrate financial need.

Application Link: <https://westalumni.org/awards-and-scholarships/student-scholarships/2019-scholarships/>

Application Deadline: Friday, March 22, at 11:59 p.m.

Questions? If you have any questions, please contact WHAA Scholarships Chair Emily Berry at scholarships@westalumni.org.

Minimum Eligibility Requirements

Applicant must:

- Be an incoming college freshman for the 2019-2020 academic year
- Demonstrate financial need
- Demonstrate a commitment to pursuing a college education
- Not be a current recipient of a scholarship award(s) totaling greater than \$4,000
- Academic performance, other scholarships, community service and, other factors may also be considered in the selection process
- Agree to join the [WHAA Mentorship Program](#)
- Agree to provide follow-up information, such as grades or credit hours, regarding the recipient's college experience to WHAA (for informational purposes only)

Application Requirements

- Complete the online scholarship application by Friday, March 22 at 11:59 p.m.
- Letter of recommendation from a teacher or similar. Please see additional details below.
- Answer the following short answer essays
 - Please explain your need for financial assistance (250 words)
 - Tell us about your family. (250 words)
 - What are your academic and career goals? Have you decided on a major? If

- yes, provide details. (250 words)
- Do you plan to become involved in extracurricular activities in college? If yes, provide details. (250 words)
 - Is there anything else we should know about you? (500 words)

Letter of Recommendation

- A letter of recommendation should be provided from a teacher, coach, West High faculty/staff, community professional or similar mentor.
- **The letter must be submitted to the WHAA directly by the recommender no later than Friday, March 29 at 11:59 p.m.**
- An email will automatically be sent to the email address provided by the applicant once the scholarship application is submitted. **Students are encouraged to request letters of recommendation before submitting their application** to ensure recommenders have adequate time to write a letter, and may do so at <https://westalumni.org/awards-and-scholarships/student-scholarships/request-a-letter-of-recommendation/>.
- There is no page limit; letters may be as brief or detailed as the recommender feels necessary. We strongly encourage recommenders to include in details about extenuating circumstances, strengths, etc. about the scholarship application the recommender feels may relevant for the scholarship committee.