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# Welcome Class of 2025

# Honors Night Scholarship Information Session

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### Honors Night Timeline

# Lowell High School Honors Night Timeline 2025

- Eligible Student Information Session: 1/23/25
- Parent/Guardian Information Session (virtual meeting): 1/27/25 at 5:30pm
- Application opens: 1/24/25
- Transcript ready for upload: 2/7/25\* \*Pending successful release of grades by this date\*
- Application closes: 2/26/25 at 11:00PM
- Honors Night invitation to students/families: 5/13/25
- Scholarship Night Rehearsal: 5/20/25
- Scholarship Night: 5/20/25





## **Honors Night Eligibility**

Open to any Lowell High School senior who:

- ➤ Has a minimum 2.5 GPA\*
- Attended Lowell High School as a Junior and Senior Student has to have attended LHS since 10/1 of their junior year
- > Will further their education in the Fall 2025
- Meets other eligibility criteria specified by individual scholarships

\*For students who have a 2.3 GPA and were invited to attend today's meeting, please remember that you must have a 2.5 GPA after Q2 grades have been recalculated on the transcript. Please check in with your guidance counselor or College & Career Center to confirm you are eligible before submitting your application.\*

## **Application Requirements**

Students need to complete & submit the following:

- Online Honors Night Application (Complete all questions!)
- ID Only Transcript with Semester 1 grades
  - Will be made available as a published report in Aspen shortly *after* Q2 grades are issued (*on 2/7 pending successful release of grades by that date; possibly earlier*)
  - Student uploads the transcript (PDF) to their scholarship application on or after this date

<u>Do NOT upload any other transcript! You will be notified when the ID only transcript is available.</u>

- Required essay (300 word maximum); <u>No names or identifying information in the essay</u>
- > Any other required documents specified by individual scholarships
  - Additional essays, poems, short stories, and /or letters of recommendation, community service documentation, etc.

### **Honors Night Essay Requirements**

Please upload a 250-300 word essay on the following topic:

### SOME STUDENTS HAVE A BACKGROUND, IDENTITY, INTEREST, OR TALENT THAT IS SO MEANINGFUL THEY BELIEVE THEIR APPLICATION WOULD BE INCOMPLETE WITHOUT IT. PLEASE SHARE YOUR STORY.

Please note:

- > Additional essays may be required; check each individual scholarship carefully
- > Do not put your name in your essay NO personal identifier
- Edit your essay for grammar, spelling and appropriate punctuation
- To protect your privacy, do not share confidential details you do not want others to know
- Ask someone to proofread your essay

### Reminder: Honors Night Application is "ID Only"!

Your name should NOT appear on the application, essay, transcript, or letters of recommendation.

### **Important Dates**

- Application opens: 1/24 at 9am
- > 2/7: Transcripts available to upload (possibly earlier)
  - Start early! It is recommended that you complete/submit your application on 2/7 to see your full list of eligible scholarships!
  - Your completed answers in the application will generate your final list of matching scholarships, including extra essay prompts, letters of recommendation, etc.
  - **Plan ahead!** Some scholarships require a letter of recommendation, and the applicant will need to send a request link to the recommender, but you cannot access the request link until after you have submitted your application.
- Application deadline: 2/26 at 11pm
   No late applications will be accepted! The portal shuts off at this time!
   All questions must be complete for a successful submission.

### Submit early to view potential scholarship additional requirements

### **How do I access the Honors Night Application?**

Greater Lowell Community Foundation Website: <u>https://www.grantinterface.com/Home/Logon?urlkey=glcfscholarships</u>

Lowell High School Student Support Services Scholarship Opportunities Website: <u>https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/Page/2874</u>

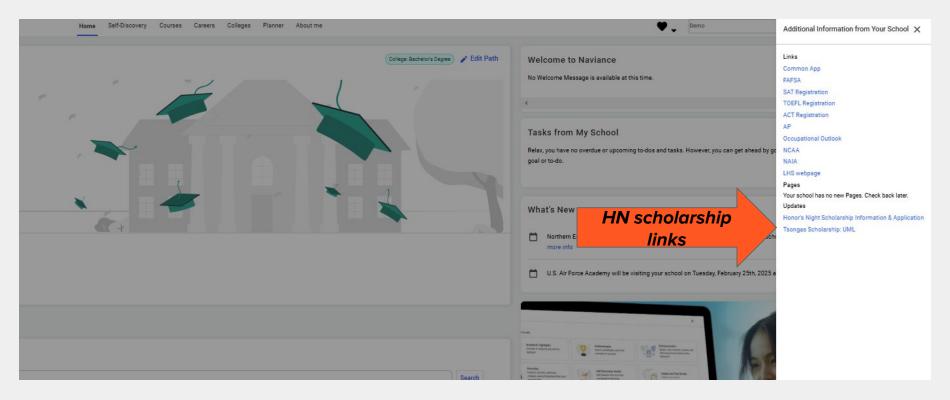
Naviance "Honor's Night Scholarship Application" link

Or, scan the QR code:

Application opens Friday, 1/24!



### **Honor's Night Scholarship Link on Naviance**







Home > Departments > Student Support Services > Scholarship Opportunities

#### STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

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#### LHS HONORS NIGHT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

#### 2025 Honors Night Scholarship Information:

The 2025 Honors Night Scholarship Student Informational Meeting will be held on Thursday, January 23rd at 9am in the cafeteria. To be eligible for Honors Night scholarships, students must have a minimum 2.5 GPA\*, have attended Lowell High School since 10/1 of their junior year, will further their education in the Fall of 2025, and meet other eligibility requirements specified by individual scholarships.

\*Students who have at least at 2.3 GPA are invited to attend the informational meeting due to the opportunity to achieve a 2.5 or higher GPA before Q2 grades close.

There will be a virtual Honors Night Scholarship Information Session for parents/guardians on Monday, 1/27 from 5:30pm-6:30pm. The meeting link will be sent to all eligible seniors and parents/guardians.

The Honors Night Scholarship application will open Friday, January 24 and close on Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 11PM. The application link will be available to students in their Naviance accounts, or students can access the application on the Greater Lowell Community Foundation online scholarship portal.

Students are encouraged to apply early.

#### 2025 Honors Night Application Link

2025 Tsongas Scholarship Community Service Form	<b>★</b> A
2025 Honors Night Information Session (Jan 2025)	<b>★</b> A
2025 Honors Night Bulletin	*
2025 Honors Night Timeline	<b>♦</b> A

#### https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/Page/2874

ALL of this information presented today, including the Honors Night application link, bulletin, and this presentation, is located on the LHS Student Support Services website, under Scholarship Opportunities.

## **Honor's Night Application Instructions**

- Click "Create New Account" & enter your contact information (use your personal email)
- Click "next" to set-up your password, followed by "create account"
- Check your personal email to confirm you received an email from the GLCF
- > Return to your application to check off "I have received the email"
- When you see the "2025 LHS Honors Night Scholarship Application", click "Apply"
- > Complete **all** application questions and the general essay
  - If you miss a question, you will not be able to submit
  - Click on the arrow next to the application section to see all of the questions (if they are not visible)
  - You can return to your application by clicking "edit application" when you log in

# **Application Instructions (cont.)**

- It is recommended that you complete all questions and submit your application early
  - Scholarships that require extra essays/letters of recommendation will not appear until you submit the primary application first
  - If you wait until the last minute to apply, you will not have enough time to complete additional requirements
- After you submit, if you are eligible for additional scholarships, the list will appear
  - You will need to click on each scholarship to complete and upload the required essay question, statement, poem / short story, letter of recommendation, etc.
- Review your list of all matching scholarships; view the scholarship bulletin to view the scholarship criteria.
- If a scholarship does not appear on your list which you think you are eligible for, email Fatima Palermo at GLCF fatima@glcfoundation.org

### 2025 Honor's Night Scholarship Examples

### For the full scholarship bulletin, go to: https://www.lowell.k12.ma.us/Page/2874

#### Media Studio

#### 167. The Colleen Creegan Media Studio Scholarship

\$1,000

\$750

Awarded to students who have worked in the LHS media studio for a minimum of two years. Students must be pursuing a career in communications, media technology, or film, and must produce a two-minute media piece describing something they have done with the studio. Comparable classroom assignments are also acceptable. Students must submit additional documents online, as required below.

Applicants must produce a 2-minute media piece describing something they have done with the studio or submit a comparable classroom assignment

168. George M. Tsandikos Vocal Arts Scholarship Fund \$2,500 Awarded to LHS students that will study Broadcasting, Speech Pathology or Singing.

#### Personal Challenge

#### 169. Michael J. Donoghue Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a deserving senior who has demonstrated the ability to overcome any obstacle in life with humor. Applicants must submit an additional statement: "We the committee, challenge the applicant to make us laugh." (200 word max.).

 170.
 Frederick T. Murphy Jr. Memorial Scholarship Fund
 \$1,000

 Awarded to a student who has demonstrated motivation and potential, who works part-time, who demonstrates financial need, and who plans to attend a four-year college or university.
 Applicants must submit an additional short essay online on the following essay topic: "The highest reward for man's toil is not what he gets from it, but what he becomes by it." (250 word max)

#### 171. Rogers Middle School Scholarship Fund

\$250 - \$499

\$5,000

Awarded to students who have attended the Edith Nourse Rogers Middle School, have demonstrated academic merit, have financial need, and who have best personified the spirit of persistence and engagement despite personal challenges, as exemplified in the Rogers Middle School motto of "Try. Try hard. Try harder. Never give up."

#### 172. Team Mickey Ward Charities Scholarship \$1,000

Awarded to a graduating senior who demonstrates the traits of "The Fighter" hard work, determination, perseverance and resiliency in overcoming adversity; must also demonstrate strong academic performance and participate in community service and extracurricular activities.

#### Politics/Political Science/Public Policy

173. Awarded to responsibil	E. Caulfield and R. Mercier Lowell Wonders Scholarship Fund o a student who exemplifies honorable citizenship and demonstrates a s ity.	\$250 sense of social
174.	Clement McDonough Memorial Fund* o an outstanding student of politics or current events.	Book Award
	Marty Meehan Educational Foundation Scholarship Fund o a student who plans to pursue a degree in government, political science academic institution.	\$250 - \$499 or public policy at an
School-Re	lated	
176. Awarded to	Walter A. Bacigalupo Memorial Scholarship Fund o deserving students who will attend a Massachusetts public college, univ	\$250 versity or community

college.

177. Bartlett Community Partnership School Alumni Scholarship Fund \$1,000 - \$1,499 Awarded to one graduate of the Bartlett Community Partnership School. The criteria used in determining the recipients must be in priority order: need, scholarship, character, service, and participation in school activities.

#### 178. Esther Loynes Curseaden and Ruth Loynes Barker \$250 - \$499

Memorial Scholarship Fund

Awarded to a deserving senior who will pursue study at a two- or four-year academic institution.

179.	Richard L. Dacey Scholarship Fund	\$1,500+
Awarded to	o a student who plans to attend an accredited four-year college or university.	
180.	Daley Middle School Faculty Scholarship	\$300 - \$50

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Awarded to	a graduate of the Daley School.	

#### 181. Michael Dubois Memorial Scholarship\*

Awarded to one student who is hard working, well-rounded, involved in school activities, clubs, and/or sports. Candidates must have a B average or above-average GPA.

Applicants must submit an additional essay online: Discuss an accomplishment, event or realization that sparked a period of personal growth & a new understanding of yourself. We want to be pulled into your story; whether it makes us laugh or cry. Give us a sense of who you are. (500 word max).

### **2025** Honor's Night **Scholarship Examples**

then the scholarship will terminate, and future disbursements will stop.

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Science		37. 1826 Lowell High Scholarship Fund Awarded to a minimum of two and no more than four graduating seniors with	
197. Edward J. Babigan Scholarship	\$500	two Business Education courses at LHS (excluding Office Intern, Work Exp and have received a grade of 85 or above in each course. Preference wil	
Awarded to an outstanding senior student pursuing chemistry.		participated in DECA, Business Professionals of America, or who worked in must attend a two- or <b>four-year</b> institution or technical school.	
198. Kathleen M. Doyle, Ph.D. Scholarship	\$1,000	38. George and Carol Duncan Family Scholarship Fund	\$400
Awarded to students with financial need and majoring in science.		Awarded to a student in the top 1/3 of the graduating class who demonstrates financial need, and plans to study business, finance, or accounting at an accredited college or university.	
199. Doyle Family Scholarship Fund	\$250	39. John M. Kenney Memorial Scholarship Fund	\$250
Awarded to a student who plans to study science or mathematics a	at an accredited college or university.	Awarded to a student who plans to pursue an education in accountancy or busin	ness administration.
	1	40. The Lowell Property and Business Group Scholarship	\$250
200. Jachaly Engineering Scholarship	Up to \$10,000/year	Awarded to a graduating senior who demonstrates strong academic performance given to those with an interest in Entrepreneurship.	formance and financial need;
Awarded to three students, up to \$10,000 per year, graduating fro		41. Ann Burns Murphy Scholarship Fund	\$250
undergraduate degree in engineering at one of the University of M	Aassachusetts (UM) campuses located in	Awarded to a senior from Lowell High School with average or higher grades w	
Lowell, Amherst, Boston or Dartmouth, MA.		business administration or related studies at a two-year or four-year institution.	
<ul> <li>The scholarship will be disbursed directly to UML before ea the student earns their undergraduate degree, whichever comes fi</li> </ul>		Community Service	
the school each semester, which will then be paid directly throug	h the Greater Lowell Community	42 Alian Credit Union Scholaushin	5500

Foundation (GLCF). The scholarship will be awarded each semester if the student remains academically

eligible at UML and maintains at least a 3.0 GPA. If the student withdraws for more than one semester,

These funds may also be used to support room and board for the student at UML and potentially academic tutoring, materials, and other support, if that need is determined and agreed upon by the Awards

#### Align Credit Union Scholarship 42.

Business

Awarded to one student who demonstrates academic success, has been in a leadership role, and has been actively involved in school, community service, and extracurricular activities.

\$500

\$250

Applicants must submit an additional online essay on the following topic: Please describe how credit unions positively impact your community (200 words or less).

#### 43. Verda Annan Scholarship Fund

Two-year scholarship awarded to Lowell High School graduating seniors who will attend a community college. Applicants must have participated in community service and demonstrate financial need.

### **Remember:**

- ★ Apply EARLY to maximize scholarship opportunities (on 2/7!)
- ★ ID only; no names!
- ★ Semester 2 transcripts ID only will be published on Aspen by 2/7\*; do not upload any other transcripts in the application!

\*Pending successful release of grades by this date\*

### Paul Tsongas Scholarship UMass Lowell 4-Year, Annual Award

This award is in memory of Senator Paul Tsongas, who was a Trustee at UMass Lowell and a champion of the City of Lowell.

This scholarship provides free tuition, fees, a standard room, and the meal plan for up to eight traditional fall and spring semesters toward the completion of a bachelor's degree at UMass Lowell.

To be awarded to 2 recipients at Lowell High School.



### **Tsongas Scholarship Application Process & Requirements**

- Complete the <u>Tsongas Scholarship Application</u>
  - The scholarship link will be a checklist item on the student's admissions portals
- Acceptance to UMass Lowell for the Fall 2025 semester
- > 3.0 GPA minimum requirement
- Completed & submitted Honors Night application and general essay
- Additional Tsongas essay (550 words max.):

Discuss your service to the school and/or community and the effect that this service has had on your life and those you served.

- > Three letters of recommendation to be submitted online
  - <u>1 letter must be from a community service supervisor</u>

# **Tsongas Scholarship Application Process & Requirements**, *continued*

- Tsongas Scholarship Community Service Form
  - Form available in Naviance and on LHS Scholarship website
  - Signed and submitted online by a supervisor that verifies the dates, hours & services
  - If you completed community service at multiple agencies, each supervisor must complete the form to receive credit for your hours; multiple forms must be uploaded as one PDF
- > Resume
- LHS will load transcript for eligible candidates
- Submit application materials via the UML link, including the application, Honors Night General Essay, Tsongas Essay, letters of recommendation, Community Service Form, resume and ID only transcript <u>by Feb. 26, 2025 at 11:00pm</u>. *No late entries will be accepted.*
- > Finalists will be selected for an interview with a scholarship panel
  - $\star$  Interviews will be conducted for the top six candidates.
  - ★ Two scholarship recipients will be selected.

### **Parent/Guardian Virtual Information Session**

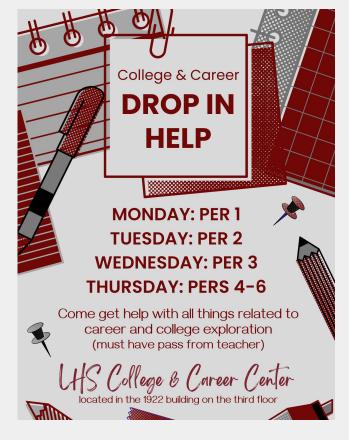
### Monday, January 27<sup>th</sup> 5:30pm-6:30pm Virtual Meeting

- Link will go out to all students & parents/guardians prior to the meeting
- This virtual information session will be a repeat of today's session.
- > Tell your parents/guardians to join!

## **College & Career Center: Drop In Hours!**

Need help with the Honors Night scholarship application?

- Drop in to College & Career Center!
- Honor's Night Scholarship Flex
   Block is coming up in Feb!



# **Questions about Honor's Night Scholarships?**

Contact: Fatima Palermo, Greater Lowell Community Foundation <u>fatima@glcfoundation.org</u>

# **Questions about Tsongas Scholarship?**

Contact: College & Career Center Counselors