**High School Senior Application**

Check the (ONE) scholarship for which you would like to apply. You may apply for more than one scholarship; however, a separate application and supporting documents are required for each.

 Health and Human Services

 Science, Technology, and Engineering

 Arts, Media, & Communications

 Business, Finance, & Information Technology

 William B. Seccurro Teacher Education

Name: Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Names:

Address: City: State: Zip:

Home Telephone #: High School:

Email Address: Cumulative 3-year GPA:

How did you hear about this scholarship?

 **(See Scholarship Summary Description for minimum GPA requirements. Scholarship Committee may waive GPA requirements upon documentation of special circumstances.)**

List the post-secondary schools to which you have applied and indicate if you have been accepted:

Please include the following information (**Typed in Times New Roman 12 pt font w/ 1 inch margins- not to exceed two pages):**

* One-page **Resume** highlighting:
	+ High school work and community activity involvement
	+ Personal contributions to those activities including leadership roles
	+ Awards and recognition you have received
* One-page (double-spaced) **Essay** discussing:
	+ Your educational goals and what inspired you to establish these goals

Additional items you **MUST** enclose:

* Most recent transcript of high school credits\*\*
* Two signed letters of recommendation from people who have known you for at least one year and who are not related to you. One of the letters **MUST** be from a teacher
* Supplementary materials may be required such as portfolio pieces for artists; copy of program for singers/performers; robotics competition results/video/photos, etc. *Submitted materials will not be returned*

*I certify that my responses on this application are true and factual. If selected, I hereby consent to and authorize the use and reproduction of my name and photographs by the Chamber or anyone authorized by the Chamber of any and all photography in film or print from which may be taken of me, in any form and for any purpose whatsoever without compensation to me. It will not be necessary to notify me when these pictures or my name is being used.*

 Date Signature

**Scholarship Summary Description for High School Seniors**

Applicant may apply for more than one scholarship but can only be granted one award. If you are applying for more than one scholarship, please submit separate applications and supporting materials for each.

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| **Type** | **Description** | **Required GPA** |
| **Arts, Media, & Communication Scholarship** | Based on funds available, $1000 scholarship(s) will be awarded to applicant(s) pursuing a degree in literary, visual, or performing arts. | 3.0 or above |
| **Business, Finance, & Information Technology Scholarship** | Based on funds available, $1000 scholarship(s) will be awarded to applicant(s) pursuing a degree in accounting, finance, business administration, information technology, or marketing.  | 3.0 or above |
| **Health and Human Services Scholarship** | Based on funds available, $1000 scholarship(s) will be awarded to applicant(s) pursuing a degree in government/public service, health service/personal care or hospitality, tourism and/or recreation.  | 3.0 or above |
| **Science, Technology, & Engineering Scholarship** | Based on funds available, $1000 scholarship(s) will be awarded to applicant(s) pursuing a degree in engineering, manufacturing, construction, environmental, agricultural, or natural resources, science and technology studies, or transportation technologies.  | 3.0 or above |
| **William B. Seccurro Teacher Education Scholarship** | A $1000 scholarship will be awarded to an applicant pursing a degree in teaching.  | 3.0 or above |

**GENERAL CRITERIA FOR ALL SCHOLARSHIPS:**

1. Be a Harford County resident currently in the senior year of high school, who will continue with post-secondary education as a full-time student in the designated field of the selected scholarship.
2. The applicant **must** register for a minimum 12 credits per semester beginning the 1st fall after high school graduation. \*\* If you are applying for a technical or trade school scholarship, please refer to the Technology/Trade Scholarship Application. \*\*
3. Have a minimum cumulative grade point average as listed on the Scholarship Summary Description. The Scholarship Committee may waive the GPA requirement upon documentation of special circumstances.
4. Complete a Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Application, complete the required essay and resume, and submit required supporting documentation as listed on the application.

The Scholarship Committee shall be composed of members of the Harford County Chambers of Commerce and sponsor representatives. The Scholarship Committee will select the award recipients. The Scholarship Committee reserves the right to award the scholarship to the most overall qualified applicant based on any or all of the selection criteria. The decision of the Scholarship Committee is final.

* Applications and supporting materials should be emailed to info@harfordchamber.org by **April 5, 2024**. Applications may also be dropped off to Chamber office at 108 S. Bond Street, Bel Air, MD 21014 by Friday, April 5th. If no staff is present applications can be left in the mailbox at the front door entrance.
* Awards will be announced by early **May 2024** with scholarship presentations to take place at the Scholarship Reception to be held in June 14th at **Towson University in Northeastern Maryland**.
* Recipients will have until **December 31, 2024** to make final arrangements for use of scholarship funds.

**SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

\*\*We will accept transcripts pulled from the online learning system but you may be required to provide an official transcript for further consideration before an award decision is finalized.

\*\*\* Presentation of scholarships to recipients occurs at the Chamber’s Education & Scholarship Breakfast in early June each year. Scholarship recipients are required to attend the breakfast and can attend with 2 guests.