



# **Somerville High School Community Scholarships**

**Class of 2020**

Annual Scholarship Awards Ceremony

Somerville High School

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**Application Deadline:**

**February 24, 2020**



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## Non-Discrimination Policy

The scholarship committee is an affirmative action/equal opportunity committee and does not discriminate against any applicant because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, marital status, veteran status, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, ancestry, athletic performance, special-need, proficiency in the English language or a foreign language or prior academic achievement or any other legally protected group.

## Scholarship Application Procedure & Going Merry

- 1) Go to [www.goingmerry.com](http://www.goingmerry.com) and click on "Sign Up" green button in the upper right hand corner.
- 2) Signup using your personal email address. If you have a Gmail, just click "Sign up with Google"  
**Tip:** If you "Sign up with Google", then you are done after this step.
- 3) If you use a non-Google email address to sign up, you will be asked for your name, date of birth, gender, and password. After you click "Find Your Scholarships" to finish signing up, you will need to find the activation email within your inbox to activate and confirm your account. Please check your spam folder if you cannot find your activation email.
- 4) When you sign-in for the first time, you will be taken through an onboarding process to fill in some basic profile information.
  - Enter your address, phone number, class year/grade level
  - Enter your school name to find Somerville High School (Somerville, MA). Make sure to select the correct Somerville High School.
  - Enter your unweighted GPA (maximum 4.0)
  - Enter your targeted colleges
  - Enter your household income estimate
  - Enter your SAT and/or ACT scores
- 5) Once you've finished your onboarding, you'll be taken to your Matched Scholarships section:  
<https://app.goingmerry.com/awards/matched>
- 6) To find and start applying to all of Somerville High School's scholarships, please navigate to the Local Scholarships section by clicking on "Scholarships" on the left hand side menu:  
<https://app.goingmerry.com/awards/local>
- 7) You must follow the application process of applying for college financial aid by completing the FAFSA (if you are eligible to). If your FAFSA has not been completed, you can go back into Going Merry and update your profile once the FAFSA is complete.
- 8) The counseling department will provide any transcripts that are required for your scholarship applications.
- 9) All applications will be kept strictly confidential.
- 10) If there is no amount listed for a scholarship, it is yet to be determined by the contributor.

For more detailed Going Merry instructions please refer to this [Going Merry Instructions document](#).

# Somerville High School Community Scholarships

## Ann Murray Paige Memorial Scholarship

Ann Murray Paige was the beloved sister of Mary Beth Murray, a School Adjustment counselor at SHS, who passed away on March 16, 2014 after a courageous battle with breast cancer. Ann's journey through breast cancer is one that is familiar to the students in the Health Careers program at Somerville High School. Each year, during the month of October, the Health Careers students watch the documentary that she wrote called "The Breast Cancer Diaries" which chronicles Ann's journey through breast cancer. Watching Ann's documentary helps the Health Careers students know and understand the travails of breast cancer patients and their families. Ann also wrote a self-help book called: "Pink Tips: Breast Cancer Advice From Someone Who's Been There". The Health Careers students from SHS had the opportunity to meet Ann at her book signing at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute in October 2011. The special bond created between Ann and the Health Careers students at SHS paved the way for the Ann Murray Paige Positivity Scholarship Award. This award is given each year to a Health Careers student or a senior at Somerville High School who is pursuing higher education in the nursing field after graduation.

### Criteria for selection:

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

### Additional applicant requirements:

- Health Careers student or a senior at Somerville High School who is pursuing higher education in the nursing field after graduation.
- View Ann's documentary "The Breast Cancer Diaries"
- Interview with Ms. Murray
- Teacher recommendation

### Essay information:

View Ann Murray's documentary ""The Breast Cancer Diaries"" and then write an essay answering the following questions:

- How does Ann's cancer journey inspire you as you embark on your education in nursing?
- What was the most poignant moment during your viewing of the documentary that impacted your understanding of cancer patients and their families?
- How does your knowledge of Ann's cancer journey change your perspective on patient care as you move forward in your career in nursing?
- What personal struggle have you persevered through that exemplifies Ann's courageous journey through breast cancer?

**Amount:** 1 @ \$1000 each

## Argenziano PTA Book Award

This award is presented to a graduate of the Argenziano School who needs help paying for books for their first year of college.

### Criteria for selection:

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

### Additional applicant requirements:

- Argenziano School graduate
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 1 @ \$500 each

**Application Deadline: February 24, 2020**

### **Benjamin G. Brown School Alumni Award - Presented by the Brown School PTA**

The Brown School family is proud of all our students. The PTA presents this award to students who attended the Brown School and who demonstrate our traditions of working hard, dreaming big, and showing kindness to others.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Attended the Brown School at least 2 years, including 6th (final) grade.
- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Please provide a short essay explaining how the Brown School influenced who you've become as a person. Describe what you're motivated to do in the future and why.

**Amount:** 3 @ \$250 each

### **Best Buddies Scholarship in Memory of Brian Higgins**

The Best Buddies Award in memory of Brian Higgins is presented to a Somerville High School senior who has been a member of the Best Buddies Program for at least two years and has been a Peer Buddy for at least one year.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Member of Best Buddies for at least two years.
- Has been a Peer Buddy for at least one year.
- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Write a 500 word essay describing how being a member of the Best Buddies club and a Peer Buddy has impacted your life.

**Amount:** 1 @ \$100 each

### **Betsy McDonald Llanwarne Memorial Scholarship**

The Somerville Police Employees Association is sponsoring the Betsy McDonald Llanwarne Scholarship on behalf of the McDonald Family, who lost their daughter, sister and wife to cancer at the age of 32. Betsy fought a lengthy and courageous battle with cancer and faced severe adversity during her illness. She always approached her illness with grace and hope and often persevered in the most difficult of times. While battling cancer, Betsy earned her Master's Degree and achieved the highest GPA in her class. Her strength, determination and love for family was always on display throughout her young life and anyone that had the opportunity to know her came away a better person for it.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Write a 500 word essay on the adversity you have faced and how you have overcome it.

**Amount:** 1 or 2 @ \$1500 each

### **Biogen Idec Community Lab Scholarship**

The Biogen Community Scholarship is presented to a college-bound senior who has demonstrated interest and enthusiasm for science and is considering a career in a science field. Applicants should be planning on pursuing studies in a science field, particularly in the life sciences.

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicants should be planning on pursuing studies in a science field, particularly in the life sciences.
- Teacher recommendation from a science teacher

#### **Essay information:**

Please write an essay on the following prompt: Why do you want to pursue studies in the sciences in college? Include what past experiences influenced your interest in the sciences.

**Amount:** 1 @ \$1000 each

### **Brian Higgins Foundation Memorial Scholarship**

Brian was a nine-year old special needs child that attended the SKIP program in the Kennedy Elementary School. He passed away on August 29, 2002.

Brian was a very special child with a very special role in our family as the big brother. We were honored to have him in our lives. Brian showed us the world with a very different view. We met many wonderful people in the past years that helped us help Brian.

We are pleased to be able to offer scholarships to two seniors in Brian's memory. To be awarded this scholarship we ask that the applicant continue their education in the field of special education or nursing. It may be in the teaching role or that of the related fields of occupational, physical, speech therapies or vision services. These were all fields that were important in Brian's life.

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be continuing their education in the field of special education or nursing. It may be in the teaching role or that of the related fields of occupational, physical, speech therapies or vision services.
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 2 @ \$1000 each

### **Brickbottom Artists' Building Award**

The Brickbottom Artists Building is located in the Brickbottom District of East Somerville in Ward Two. The association consists of 155 units in three buildings. It is approximately 70% artist occupied. The Brickbottom Artists Association owns and operates a Gallery that is open to the public, Wednesday through Sunday, Noon – 5:00PM. The Brickbottom Artists are host each year, on the weekend prior to Thanksgiving, to an Annual Open Studios with many studios open to the public. Open Studios is very interesting and a lot of fun and is attended by thousands. The Brickbottom Artists Award has been made annually for 19 years to a graduating senior chosen by the Somerville High School Art Department to honor achievement and excellence in the arts.

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Graduating senior who has achieved excellence in the arts.
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 1 @ \$300 each

### **Build Together Scholarship**

The Build Together Scholarship is given to 2 high school seniors that are difference makers in their community and want to continue that throughout college and beyond. They also display great academic potential, are willing to receive guidance/support, and see the value in being mentored as they further their education.

Build Together Scholars receive a financial award; however, they receive MUCH more than that.

Scholars are given 4 YEARS of professional academic, career, and personal guidance via routine check-ins, resume/cover letter workshops, interview practice, and academic tips prior to and throughout college. If you desire the tools, guidance, and support needed to be successful, consider taking on the responsibility of being a Build Together Scholar.

For more information, please visit <https://buildtogetherscholarship.org>

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

#### **Essay information:**

Our Scholarship will have 3 essays required. Combined, they should be a minimum of 3 pages double-spaced, but no longer than 5 pages. Responses should be split up by question (the question will not be included in the combined length). Below you can find the 2020 essay prompts:

1. How have you helped build community within Somerville High School (specific examples)? In College, how do you imagine yourself contributing to the campus community?
2. Talk about the ways in which you persist through classes that you have felt challenged by? What strategies do you use to improve?
3. What are your career goals? How do you hope to use your education to accomplish them?

**Amount:** 2 @ \$1500 each

### **Century Bank Scholarship**

The Century Bank Scholarship is awarded to high school seniors who are an active participant in one of the school's sponsored activities, an unsung hero who is not recognized through other awards, and has an interest in pursuing a career in the financial services industry, such as accounting, finance and the like. The founder of Century Bank, Marshall M. Sloane was born and raised in Somerville and graduated from Somerville High School.

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicants must be in the top 10% of the graduating class.
- Applicant must be an active participant in one of the school's sponsored activities.
- Applicant must be a good citizen and an unsung hero not recognized through other awards.
- Applicant must have an interest in pursuing a career in the financial industry.
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** TBD @ TBD

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### **Charlene Harris Memorial Scholarship**

Charlene Harris was all things to her students: a friend, a counselor, a mentor, a guide, and an educator. She was always there when her students needed her most, inspiring them to give their best. Charlene never turned away from anyone needing help and lovingly played a part in the shaping of who they are and who they are yet to be. This scholarship is given in Charlene's memory to students who, like her, give of themselves and expect nothing in return.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Please provide an example of when you put someone's wellbeing before your own and how it has influenced your road to further your education (500 words or less).

**Amount:** 2 @ \$500 each

### **Chef Manuel Borges Scholarship**

Manuel Borges was the owner of the Neighborhood restaurant . He passed at home in November 2018 at the young age of 97. The Chef Manuel Borges Scholarship will be given by his daughter to a culinary arts student who LOVES cooking as much as Manuel did.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Culinary Arts student with a passion for cooking.
- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Write a brief essay about yourself including your background and life goals.

**Amount:** 1 @ \$1000 each

### **Cindy Pluciennik - deVill Fund**

This scholarship is given in loving memory of Cindy Pluciennik. Cindy was a Somerville resident as well as an artist.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be attending the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Lowell or Boston.
- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Write a brief essay about yourself including your background and life goals.

**Amount:** 1 @ \$2500 each

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### **Dana Mercauto Memorial Scholarship & Class of 2006 Book Award in Memory of Dana Mercauto**

Dana Mercauto was a graduate of Somerville High School. Dana's journey ended sadly when she passed away from bladder cancer. The Mercauto Family wishes to see Dana's journey carry onto another Somerville High School Student. Dana's motto was "Reach for the stars – go after your dream – dream big – all is possible if you believe."

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Scholarship recipient must be involved in the community.
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 2 @ \$50 each

### **David Martini & Nick Peters Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship is named after David Martini and Nick Peters, lifelong friends and athletes who were always there to lend a helping hand to those in need. Taken from us too early, Dave and Nick never had the chance to reach their full potential. The scholarship keeps their legacy alive by ensuring a deserving local student will have the chance to reach their full potential through higher education.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 2 @ \$250 each

### **East Cambridge Savings Bank Scholarship**

The East Cambridge Savings Bank provides two scholarships to graduating high school seniors from Somerville High School. Each scholarship goes to students attending a two or a four-year college or technical school. These students must demonstrate outstanding commitment to community/school.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be planning to attend a two or four year college or technical school
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 2 @ \$1000 each

### **East Somerville Community School PTA Book Award**

The East Somerville Community School PTA is proud to grant at least one award of \$200 to a graduate of the East Somerville Community School.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be a graduate of the ESCS.
- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Applicants should submit a 1 page essay describing what they gained from being part of the East Somerville community, how they will use the award and why they would be a good candidate to receive the award.

**Amount:** 1 @ \$200 each

### **Elizabeth Raymond Memorial Scholarship**

Elizabeth Raymond was a life-long resident of Somerville and attended Somerville High School in the 1920's. She had a long career as an artist and an art instructor, teaching painting for many years at the Somerville High School night school and the Cambridge Center for Adult Education. Applicants must be serious about art, and be good citizens of Somerville High School and the Somerville community.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be a good citizen of Somerville High School and the Somerville community who is pursuing further education in art, art history, woodworking or design.
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 1 @ \$2000 each

### **ESCS Favaloro Community Service Scholarship**

The ESCS Favaloro Community Service Book Award was established in 1994. This award is given in recognition of a graduate from the East Somerville Community School who has exemplified a commitment to community service.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Former East Somerville Community School student who has enriched the community through service and leadership.
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 1 @ \$250 each

### **Flora Pignatiello Memorial Scholarship**

The scholarship is given in memory of Flora Pignatiello who was a lifelong resident of Somerville.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant should be pursuing a career in nursing
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 1 @ \$500 each

### **Franke Riviuccio Memorial Scholarship**

The Franke Riviuccio Memorial Award is given by Franke's family in memory of Franke Riviuccio. Franke passed away in November of 2009.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Please submit a short essay about how addiction has affected your life

**Amount:** 1 @ \$500 each

### **Healey School PTA Book Award**

The Healey School PTA Book Award is presented to a Somerville High School graduate who was also a graduate of the Healey School.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Graduate of the Healey School.
- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Please write a short essay describing your interests and future goals.

**Amount:** 2 @ \$200 each

### **Howard "Butchie" Griffin Memorial Scholarship**

The Howard "Butchie" Griffin Memorial Scholarship is given in the name of Howard "Butchie" Griffin. Butch was a 1969 graduate of Somerville High School and the funds were raised by friends, classmates and teacher who remember him fondly. We give it to a deserving graduate who is a good person, good student, and demonstrates financial need. We think Butch would approve.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 2 @ \$1000 each

### **Jack Daly Memorial Scholarship**

The Jack Daly Memorial Scholarship fund was established in 2010 as a tribute to a man who was a world class traveler. A teacher in Somerville for more than 30 years, Jack spent his spare time traveling the world. Before his death, he traveled to all 7 continents – many several times. This scholarship is awarded to a Somerville High School Senior who plans to study international relations or study abroad.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be interested in world travel or political science.
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 2 @ \$500 each

### **James and Carol Wilbanks Memorial Scholarship**

The James and Carol Wilbanks Memorial Scholarship Fund was created in memory of James and Carol Wilbanks. James and Carol were very supportive, influential and proud grandparents.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be a Full Circle student
- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Write an essay (1 or more paragraphs) describing how your grandparents have been an influential support for you through your academic career.

**Amount:** 1 @ \$500 each

### **James Cullinan Memorial Scholarship**

The James Cullinan Scholarship is awarded to a graduating Somerville High School senior who plans to major in business.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Recipient must be majoring in business
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 1 @ \$1000 each

### **Jean L. Foley Memorial Scholarship**

Jean L. Foley was an exceptional Somerville educator for over thirty years. She became the Assistant Principal at the West Somerville Neighborhood School in 1997. She was much loved by the faculty and staff of the West Somerville Neighborhood School. More importantly, she was adored by the children, because she had a wonderful way of making them each feel special. This book award is presented by Jean's family in her memory.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- West Somerville Neighborhood School graduate who exemplifies leadership in the Somerville community.
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 1 @ \$500 each

### **John O'Neill Scholarship Fund Sponsored by Somerville Cambridge Elder Services**

To honor Executive Director John O'Neill on his retirement and tireless commitment to the mission of Somerville Cambridge Elder Services (SCES), the Board of Directors established the John O'Neill Scholarship Fund. Our mission is to help meet the growing need for a well-trained network of motivated, committed advocates and leaders in the field of elder health care.

One scholarship is awarded to a graduating student who has a good GPA, requires financial aid and plans to pursue higher education and a career in health care, social work or public policy advocacy. O'Neill Scholars are selected based on their promise as critical thinkers, potential leaders and strong advocates for elder health causes and issues.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be planning to pursue higher education and a career in health care, social work or public policy advocacy
- The successful recipient will participate in a 6 to 8 hour internship to learn about programs and services offered at SCES as well as a field visit with clients if possible.
- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

The successful recipient will be required to complete a brief essay on interaction with aging people and responding to the following questions:

1. What specific knowledge or experience with older people is motivating you to apply for this Scholarship?
2. Explain in detail how your career goals include working with and/or advocating for elders. Why does this work inspire you?
3. Looking back at your Junior and Senior years, are there any moments that you can't believe happened?

**Amount:** 1 @ \$1000 each

### **Joseph Foti Sr. Memorial Scholarship**

Joseph Foti emigrated from Messina, Sicily to Boston in 1955. In 1975, after working a number of different jobs including a laborer for Teamsters Local 25 he and his wife Florence founded and operated Florence's Restaurant in the North End, Boston and Merrimack, New Hampshire until his passing in 2000. This scholarship is given by the Foti Family in memory of Joseph Foti, Sr.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be accepted to and attending a culinary arts program.
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** TBD @ TBD

### **Joyce Murphy Memorial Scholarship**

The Joyce Murphy Memorial Scholarship was created by the family, friends and colleagues of Joyce Murphy, a longtime staff member of Somerville High School. It is available to a graduating student of Somerville High School who has demonstrated persistence, courage, and strength in overcoming the obstacles in the face of adversity.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Please share a particular situation or experience you have encountered that was challenging and explain the impact this had on you and how you persevered.

What impact has this had on your present and future goals?

**Amount:** 1 @ \$1000 each

### **Kennedy School PTA Book Award**

The Kennedy School PTA Book Award is provided by the Kennedy School PTA. These book awards are presented to former Kennedy School students.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must have attended and graduated from the Kennedy School.
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 2 @ \$250 each

**Application Deadline: February 24, 2020**

### **Leader Bank Community Reinvestment Scholarship**

The Leader Bank CRAS is awarded to a low incoming student who volunteers in their community, applies themselves to their studies, is respectful, thoughtful and wants to make a difference in their community - always caring for others in a selfless way. Two recommendations are required for this scholarship.

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must volunteer in their community, apply themselves to their studies, be respectful, thoughtful, and care for others in a selfless way.
- Applicant must be a low to moderate income student
- 2 teacher recommendations

#### **Essay information:**

Please write an essay on the importance of financial education in your life.

**Amount:** 2 @ \$500 each

### **Lee K. Riethmiller Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship is given in loving memory of Lee K. Riethmiller. Born and raised on a dairy farm in Ohio Township, Lee helped his parents with countless chores and milking 100 cows twice a day, as he learned the value of hard work, perseverance and determination to attain his academic goal. Graduating tri-valedictorian of this high school class, he was awarded a full scholarship to Ohio State University ('63-'67); a Rockefeller Fellowship to Harvard Divinity School (M.Div. '67-'71); and a Fulbright Scholarship to Madrid, Spain ('71-'73). Upon return stateside, Lee founded and directed the Intercontinental Foreign Language School that offered 118 languages to people of all ages and from all walks of life for four decades (1976-2016). Through his deep and abiding love of languages, poetry, and music, Lee Reithmiller touched the lives of many, many people, instilling in each person he taught that learning a new language was fun, exciting, and attainable for everyone. A scholarship in his honor will be awarded to a Somerville High School senior enrolled full-time at a four-year college, with preference given to a student who is pursuing career(s) in the teaching profession and/or furthering intercultural understanding.

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be enrolling in a four-year college.
- Applicant must be pursuing a career in the teaching profession and/or furthering intercultural understanding.
- Teacher recommendation

#### **Essay information:**

Please choose one to answer:

- 1) How have you taken the initiative to resolve and/or improve a situation that initially seemed insurmountable?
- 2) Describe what you have done to further intercultural understanding which provided a positive impact among your peers?

**Amount:** 1 @ \$250 each

**Apply for scholarships online at [www.goingmerry.com](http://www.goingmerry.com)**

### **Loring H. Raymond Jr. Memorial Scholarship**

Loring H. Raymond, Jr. grew up in Somerville and attended Somerville High School in the 1930's. He went on to attend Harvard College, and Harvard Business School earning a degree in mechanical engineering. In his later years, Loring was an active volunteer with the Boston Chapter of SCORE, a non-profit group advising entrepreneurs and new business owners. Recipients must be hard workers and good citizens of Somerville High School and the Somerville Community.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 1 @ \$2000 each

### **Lyric's Champs Scholarship**

The Lyric's Champs Scholarship is offered to a graduating senior pursuing studies in Special Education. Lyric's Champs is a Somerville non-profit organization whose mission is to promote Autism Awareness, Acceptance and Education within the community.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be pursuing a degree in Special Education. May be in general teaching or related fields such as Occupational, Physical, Speech therapies or Vision Services.
- Community Service and/or Volunteer Work
- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Write a 500 word essay describing why you want to pursue a degree in Special Education and what if/any experiences influenced you in this decision.

**Amount:** 1 @ \$500 each

### **Mt. Horeb Lodge of Masons [formerly Somerville Lodge of Masons]**

The Mt. Horeb Lodge [formerly Somerville Lodge of Masons] scholarships are offered to graduating seniors with criteria based on scholarship, community service, respect amongst peers and contributions to Somerville High School.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 3 @ \$500 each

**Application Deadline: February 24, 2020**

### **Mudflat Pottery Outstanding Ceramic Student Award**

This year, Mudflat Pottery School and Studio celebrates its 48th year as a member of Somerville's vibrant, dynamic, and professional artist community. A long-time advocate for arts in education, Mudflat proudly supports Somerville Public Schools' impressive ceramics curriculum. The Mudflat Award for Outstanding Ceramics Student goes to a graduating Somerville High School student who has excelled in the high school's ceramics program, will attend a school of higher education, and plans to continue with art classes.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be a ceramics student.
- Applicant must plan to continue art classes.
- Teacher recommendation from a teacher in the art department

**Amount:** 1 @ \$500 each

### **Nissenbaum Realtors Culinary Award**

This award is given annually in honor of Jonah Nissenbaum who is a four year graduate of the Culinary Institute of America. For the past several years he has been a cook at some of Boston's most prestigious restaurants and is now an Executive Banquet Chef at a top hotel in New Orleans.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be a culinary arts student who will be continuing their education in culinary arts.
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 1 @ \$500 each

### **Pearl P. Morrison Recognition Award**

This recognition award will be presented to former West Somerville Neighborhood School students accepted to a two or four-year program at a college level. This award is made available from the former Principal of the West Somerville Neighborhood School, Mrs. Pearl Morrison and family.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be a graduate of the West Somerville Neighborhood School
- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Write a brief essay stating your goals and intended area of studies.

**Amount:** 4 @ \$500 each

### **Ralph and Anna Champa Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship is given in loving memory of Ralph and Anne Champa, both lifelong residents of Somerville.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Please write a 100 word essay on perseverance.

**Amount:** 2 @ \$1500 each

### **Remigio Memorial Scholarship**

The scholarship was created to give back to students looking to go into public service fields. Amy and Louis Remigio, of the Somerville High School Class of 1980, both gave back to their communities. Louis was a 30-year veteran of the Somerville Police Department, coached football and basketball in Somerville and Tewksbury, was active in his community, and lover of his family. Amy volunteered at schools, blood drives, PTA's and had valued the importance of generosity. Both understood the value of hard work and kindness, and its impact in the world. This scholarship is a means to shed light on the next generation of philanthropists, teachers, nurses, social workers, first responders, and other professional fields that provide a direct service to the larger community. Thank you in advance for bettering the world around you. We hope our contribution to the start of your university careers makes a small difference in your experiences.

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant should be going into a public service field (philanthropist, teacher, nurse, social worker, first responder, etc.)
- Teacher recommendation

#### **Essay information:**

Submit an essay with no more than 600 words describing why you want to go into a public service field and explain why your chosen major will help you achieve that goal.

**Amount:** 1 @ \$500 each

### **Rita Donovan Carli '39 and Ralph V. Carli Memorial Scholarship**

Rita Donovan Carli graduated with honor from Somerville High School in 1939. Always a proud alum, Rita treasured fond memories of friends and experiences at SHS. Rita and her husband, Ralph V. Carli, established Carli Fence Company in Somerville in 1952. This scholarship is presented to a student who has demonstrated pride in attending SHS.

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

#### **Essay information:**

Rita Donovan Carli (SHS Class of 1939) was very proud to be a Somerville High School graduate. Write a 250 word essay describing how you have demonstrated pride in attending Somerville High School.

**Amount:** 1 @ \$1000 each

### **Rose Guanci Memorial Scholarship**

Rose Guanci was a kind and hard-working person from a family new to the country. Rose had limited educational opportunities because of financial and family responsibilities. This scholarship is given by Rose's family so that a young person in a similar situation may be able to further their education.

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be a Full Circle Student
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 1 @ \$250 each

### **Rosemary Flanagan Memorial Scholarship**

The family, friends and colleagues of Rosemary Flanagan, a longtime teacher of East Somerville Community School, created the Rosemary Flanagan Memorial Scholarship Fund. This award will be given to two former East Somerville Community School graduates.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be a graduate of East Somerville Community School
- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Write a brief essay about a particular situation or experience where you helped or received help and its impact on your future goals.

**Amount:** 2 @ \$250 each

### **Sanctuary City Scholarship**

The Sanctuary Scholarship is awarded to a Somerville High Senior who shows great leadership and career success potential by continuing onto higher education. This scholarship celebrates someone who is foreign born and despite difficult challenges, has continued to work hard, engage in their high school/ local community and has brought their best self forward to succeed. In their motivation and success, they have created a path for others to do the same. This scholarship is named in Memory of Darlene Nicgorski (11/19/43- 02/28/2017) who served many immigrant and refugee residents from the City of Somerville for well over a decade in the '90s. Outside of Somerville Darlene was known internationally for her tireless fight for equity, justice and sanctuary for immigrants. Her story and work can be found in the archives of Claremont Library. Claremont, CA.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be an immigrant who does not qualify for enough financial aid to cover the cost of college.
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 1 @ TBD

### **Savage Family Memorial Scholarship**

The Savage Memorial Scholarship is given by the Savage Family in loving memory of their parents Robert and Patricia Savage. Pat and Bob instilled a strong work ethic and a love for learning in their children. Preference may be given to students majoring in Education.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must have attended the Argenziano School
- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Write a 250 word essay describing how your time at the Argenziano School contributed to your success at Somerville High School.

**Amount:** 1 or 2 @ up to \$500 TBD

### **Somerville Administrators Association Scholarship**

This scholarship is presented to a Somerville High School graduate by the Somerville High School Administration Association.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Submit a short essay providing information concerning your financial need and your reasons for deserving this scholarship.

**Amount:** 1 @ \$300 each

### **Somerville Council of PTA's Scholarship**

Each year, the Somerville PTA units at each school work together to raise funds to provide a scholarship to at least 5 seniors. We look for students that exhibit the qualities of volunteerism at SHS and throughout the community of Somerville. We also take into consideration grades, improvement, financial needs and family situations. Applicants need to sign up as a paid member of SHS PTSA. Membership cost is \$10. There is no deadline to become a member of the PTSA. Please contact the SHS PTSA Board with any questions at shspta1@yahoo.com

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Student (or parent/guardian) must be a paid PTA member. If the applicant is unable to afford the \$10 membership fee, please contact the PTA to make special arrangements at mmlcs@aol.com
- Teacher or community member recommendation

**Essay information:**

Please write a one page essay describing one of your most memorable experiences at Somerville High School.

**Amount:** 5 @ \$1000 each

### **Somerville High School PTSA Book Award**

The Somerville High School PTSA would like to celebrate our students by providing a book award(s) to a student(s) who we feel are committed to their education and their community; and are pursuing a program or a 2-4 year college degree. Please contact SHS PTSA at shspta1@yahoo.com with any questions you may have.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Student (or parent/guardian) must be a paid PTSA member of Somerville High School. If the applicant is unable to afford the \$10 membership fee, please contact the PTA to make special arrangements at mmlcs@aol.com
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 3 @ \$250 each

**Application Deadline: February 24, 2020**

### **Somerville High School Social Studies Award**

The Somerville High School Social Studies Award goes to a senior who has demonstrated interest and achievement in the Social Studies. Members of the Social Studies Department seek to recognize a student for their hard work, thoughtfulness and ability to enrich a classroom. The award winners are nominated and selected by members of the Social Studies Department. Criteria include: 1) number of Social Studies Class taken; 2) level of achievement in the classes; 3) thoughtful participation and contributions to class; 4) civic and community engagement; 5) intention to pursue a career in a field related to Social Studies.

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be planning to pursue a career in a field related to Social Studies.
- Teacher recommendation

#### **Essay information:**

Please answer the following questions: How many social studies classes have you taken? What was your level of achievement in the classes?

**Amount:** 1 @ \$200 to \$300 each

### **Somerville Mathematics Fund Scholarship**

The Somerville Mathematics Scholars Fund, was chartered in September 2000 to celebrate and encourage achievement in mathematics in the City of Somerville. We are a non-profit, tax-exempt organization run completely by volunteers. We offer renewable mathematics scholarships to students who were residents of Somerville during their high school years, without regard to which high school the applicant attended. Scholarship is worth \$1,500 annually and up to \$6,000 for 4 years.

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

#### **Essay information:**

Please write a brief essay (1- 2 paragraphs) discussing the role that math has played thus far in your life and what function you envision it performing as part of your future goals.

**Amount:** Varies @ \$1,500 annually; up to \$6,000 for 4 years

### **Somerville Road Runner Scholarship**

The Somerville Road Runners (SRR) is Somerville's oldest running club and hosts several weekly runs and annual races open to runners of all abilities. SRR will award scholarships to graduating Somerville High School seniors who have exemplified SRR's motto through either running, athletics, overcoming a personal obstacle or service to the community and demonstrate a strong potential for future postsecondary success.

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

#### **Essay information:**

The Somerville Road Runner motto is "Fortudine vinicimus" which means "By endurance we conquer". Please write an essay describing a personal experience exemplifying this motto.

**Amount:** 3 @ \$1000 each

### **Somerville Rotary Educational Fund**

Somerville Rotary will award a scholarship to a graduating senior(s) who will be continuing their education after high school.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Please write a short statement about why you feel you deserve a Rotary Scholarship.

**Amount:** TBD @ TBD

### **Somerville School Employees Federal Credit Union Scholarship**

This scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior who plans on attending a two or four-year college. The parent/guardian of the scholarship applicants must be a member of the teacher's credit union.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- The parent/guardian of the scholarship applicant must be a member of the teacher's credit union.
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 1 @ \$1000 each

### **Somerville Teachers Scholarship Fund**

These scholarships are gifts from Somerville teachers and administrators in recognition of our students achievements.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

**Essay information:**

Write a 500 - 650 word essay explaining strong reasons as to why you have earned this scholarship.

**Amount:** Varies @ TBD

### **Somerville Youth Foundation - Richard "Dick" Knibbs Scholarship**

This scholarship is presented annually to a Somerville High School senior who best exemplifies scholarship, leadership and community support. These characteristics are reflective of Dick Knibbs, who for the past fifty years has devoted his personal time and resources to his family, friends, church and citizens of Somerville. He had provided leadership and guidance to youth needing direction through the opportunity to be a member of one of his many organized sports teams and has sponsored annual outdoor activity events throughout New England for all to enjoy.

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 2 @ \$1000 each

### **Sylvia Brewster Memorial Scholarship**

Sylvia R. Brewster was born and raised in Roxbury, MA, but moved to Somerville when she was in eleventh grade. She raised five children here, all of whom went to Somerville High School. She always stressed the importance of education, and was tremendously proud of all her children accomplished. Sylvia was a wonderful wife, sister, aunt, and mother. She was the glue that held the family together and placed her love of family above all else. Though mild-mannered, she drew people to her. She had an endless capacity for love and radiated it. Her children's friends called her Ma until the day she died. All who met her commented on her cuteness which was evident in her personality from the first moment. She taught us all that education, faith, love, and family are most important in life and she led by example. Lisa Brewster-Cook and her family hope that the recipient of this scholarship carries on Sylvia's legacy of goodness while pursuing her/his dream of post-secondary education.

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

#### **Essay information:**

Please write a 500 - 650 word essay showing evidence of resilience.

**Amount:** 1 @ \$1000 each

### **West Somerville Neighborhood School PTA Book Award**

The West Somerville Neighborhood School PTA Book Award is provided by the West Somerville Neighborhood School PTA to a graduating SHS Senior who attended WSNS.

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must be a graduate of the West Somerville Neighborhood School.
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 2 @ \$250 each

### **Winter Hill Community Innovation School Alumni Award**

The Winter Hill Innovation School PTA Book Award is awarded to a graduating senior from Somerville High School who also attended Winter Hill Community Innovation School.

#### **Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

#### **Additional applicant requirements:**

- Applicant must have attended Winter Hill Community Innovation School
- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** 2 @ \$300 each

**Application Deadline: February 24, 2020**

## Somerville High School Scholarship Foundation

Students who apply for the *Somerville High School Scholarship Foundation Scholarship* become eligible for the scholarships listed below and others that may be announced later in the school year.

A Scholarship in Memory of Anthony V. Fedele	\$2500
A Scholarship in Memory of John A. O'Meara	\$2000
Agnes & Thomas O'Brien Memorial Scholarship	\$500
Brian Liberatore Memorial Scholarship	\$1000
Charles Diehl Memorial Scholarship	\$2500
Clarence McDavitt Memorial Health Careers Scholarship	\$500
Class of 1944 Scholarship	\$1000
Community College Scholarship	\$1000
David Brundage Memorial Scholarship	\$1000
Dr. George & Eleanor Coyne Memorial Scholarship	\$1000
Florence Lucy Luppi/Phillip L. Holmes Memorial Scholarship	\$2000
Francis DeThomasis Memorial Scholarship	\$1000
Gertrude Kohler Memorial Scholarship	\$2000
Gilli Family Memorial Scholarships (2)	\$2000 each
Harold & Janice Cohen Foundation Scholarships (2)	\$1000 each
Helen McIntyre Memorial Scholarship	\$2000
Henry T. Murray III Memorial Scholarship	\$1000
Home First Charitable Corporation Academic Scholarship	\$1000
Home First Charitable Corporation Academic Scholarship - Vocational	\$1000
James Grana Health Careers Scholarship	\$1000
Joseph & Mary Rigazio Family Scholarship	\$500
Lions Club Scholarship in Memory of James Goddard, Former Secretary	\$1000
Marie Camille Murray Memorial Scholarship	\$2000
Marjorie H. Murray DeThomasis Memorial Scholarship	\$1000
Marketing Education, DECA Awards (multiple)	\$5000 total
Michael Cullinane Memorial Scholarship	\$2000
Powderhouse Productions Scholarship	\$500
Rita O'Brien Memorial Scholarship	\$2000
Sabie Capuano Awards	\$500
Sean Collier Memorial Scholarships	\$1000 each
SHS Scholarship Foundation Scholarships (10)	\$2000 each
SHSSF Award - In Memory of Edward Ciampa	\$2500
SHSSF Award - In Memory of John P. Joyce	\$2500
SHSSF Award - In Memory of Joseph Mackey	\$2500
SHSSF Award - In Memory of Robert J.L. Publicover	\$2500
SHSSF Renewable Scholarship in Honor of Eugene Brune	\$2000
SHSSF Scholarship in Honor of David O'Brien	\$2500
The Cook Family Scholarship	\$1000
Tony Lavelli Memorial Scholarship	\$1000
Winifred Hagerty Memorial Scholarship	\$1000

**Criteria for selection:**

- Attendance, Extra-curricular activities, Financial need and GPA/Grades

**Additional applicant requirements:**

- Teacher recommendation

**Amount:** up to 50 awards at various amounts