

# WESTBROOK FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS 2026

## Introduction

The Westbrook Foundation administers more than two dozen scholarships for graduating Westbrook High School seniors who are residents of Westbrook, Connecticut, and who intend to pursue higher education. Additionally, some scholarships are open to residents of Westbrook, Connecticut, graduating from other area high schools: The Barbara Spencer Scholarships, and The Westbrook Grange #123 Grange Scholarship.

These scholarships are gifts from private donors who wish to memorialize loved ones, to recognize individuals' legacies, and to foster interest in a particular profession, vocation, or hobby. A few scholarships, such as the Barbara Spencer Scholarships, offer multiple awards.

The 2025 Westbrook Foundation scholarships totaled \$188,900.

## One Application Form, More than Two Dozen Different Scholarships

Each scholarship is tailored to recognize exemplary applicants who meet specific criteria. Often, applicants find that they meet the criteria for several of the available scholarships. For this reason, the Foundation accepts a single application form for all the scholarships it awards to graduating high school seniors.

## Eligibility Guidelines

In addition to the unique eligibility requirements dictated by each scholarship, the following basic requirements must be met to be eligible for any Westbrook Foundation scholarship:

- Applicants must be residents of Westbrook, Connecticut.
- Applicants must demonstrate good moral and ethical character.
- Demonstrated financial need will be considered, though it may not be a deciding factor for every scholarship. Refer to the individual scholarship summaries to determine specific weighting.

## Requirements to Receive and Maintain Scholarships and Other Rules

To remain eligible for scholarships that are disbursed across multiple years, once enrolled in institutions of higher education:

- Scholarship recipients must maintain their enrollment as full-time students at accredited trade schools or two- or four-year colleges or universities.
- Scholarship recipients must maintain a 2.7 or higher GPA each semester.

Scholarship awards are disbursed directly to the institutions in which the recipients are enrolled and may only be used for school enrollment fees and tuition.

Scholarship recipients must notify the Westbrook Foundation by **June 30, 2026**, of the following via the online Scholarship portal. If you are unable to submit there, please email to ([scholarships@westbrookfoundation.org](mailto:scholarships@westbrookfoundation.org)):

- Name and address of the bursar's office at the institution they will be attending.
- Student ID#

Please carefully review the FAQ beginning on page 3, which details students' responsibilities related to the scholarship disbursement process and how one-time and multi-year award processes differ.

## Items All Applications Must Include

Applications for the 2026 Scholarship cycle will now be online via the Foundation's online Scholarship portal which utilizes Foundant Technology's Scholarship Lifecycle Manager (SLM) software. Please watch the Applicant Tutorial Video and read all instructions carefully before starting your application. All items below will be submitted via the online application.

1. The completed scholarship application form.
2. Résumé.
3. A 200- to 300-word essay that discusses the candidate's interests, ambitions, concerns and/or specific future plans, and addresses the candidate's commitment to community service.
4. An up-to-500-word essay on the theme "My experience as a high school student."
5. Official transcript.\*
6. Official SAT or ACT score report.
7. Student Aid Report (SAR) from FAFSA.
8. Two letters of recommendation, one of which must be from a teacher or guidance counselor.\*\*

\*The Westbrook High School Guidance Department will upload applicant's transcript to their application directly via the Foundation's online Scholarship portal. The applicant will notify Guidance via email within their application with a third-party request to upload.

\*\*Letters of recommendation will be uploaded directly to the online application by applicant.

# Frequently Asked Questions Regarding Scholarships for High School Students

## Can I apply for more than one scholarship?

There is a single application form for all Westbrook Foundation scholarships. By submitting a complete application, you will be considered for all scholarships the Foundation administers for which you are eligible. Make sure you follow the application instructions outlined in “Instructions for High School Seniors Applying for Westbrook Foundation Scholarships,” and carefully read and satisfy the requirements for each specific scholarship.

## I plan to attend a two-year college or university, or to enroll in a technical school after graduating from Westbrook High School. Am I still eligible for a Westbrook Foundation scholarship?

Yes! There are several scholarships that are open to students who plan to attend two-year and/or technical schools. Be sure to carefully read each scholarship description: Some scholarships give preference to students who will attend four-year schools but will consider worthy candidates who plan to attend two-year and/or technical schools; others will consider all candidates.

## How can I make sure that I’m considered for every scholarship that I’m eligible for?

The best way to ensure this is to work the information necessary to determine your eligibility for a specific scholarship into your essay, or to include it in your résumé. For example, if you are applying for the Marie Mazeau Scholarship, include details of your participation in the Peer Counselor program in your résumé. Or, if you wish to be considered for the Dorothy Christopher Hoyt Scholarship, be sure to mention your relevant career intentions in your essay.

## Who selects the scholarship recipients?

Recipients are selected by the Westbrook Foundation’s Scholarship Committee. School counselors, teachers, principals, local officials, and/or scholarship stakeholders may also consult on decisions.

## When will I find out if I’ve been awarded a scholarship?

At Westbrook High School, scholarship recipients are announced on Senior Night. Non-Westbrook High School students should contact their guidance office to learn when recipients are announced at their respective schools.

## When will I receive the scholarship money?

For one-time awards, scholarship funds will be disbursed to recipients’ institutions in July 2026 for the 2026-27 academic year; there is no college transcript requirement for these one-time

awards. Students must submit their student ID# and their institution's bursar's mailing address to the Foundation via the Scholarship portal or [scholarships@westbrookfoundation.org](mailto:scholarships@westbrookfoundation.org) as soon as possible for funds to be disbursed in July. For ongoing awards, after the first award, funds are disbursed upon the Foundation's receipt of official spring transcripts that meet the 2.7 GPA minimum requirement for each semester; funds will be disbursed in July of subsequent years. The following is a sample schedule of how disbursement would work for a student who is awarded an ongoing, multi-year scholarship from the Westbrook Foundation:

*First award, for academic year 2026-27:* There is no college transcript requirement for this first award. Students must simply submit as soon as possible to the Foundation via the online portal or email ([scholarships@westbrookfoundation.org](mailto:scholarships@westbrookfoundation.org)) their student ID# and their institution's bursar's mailing for funds to be disbursed. Funds will be sent to the recipient's institution in July 2026.

*Second award, for academic year 2027-28:* Students must submit \* their student ID#, their institutions' Bursar's office mailing address, and their official spring 2027 transcript for review by the Foundation by the deadline of June 15, 2027, for funds to be disbursed.

*Third award, for academic year 2028-29:* Students must submit \* their student ID#, their institutions' Bursar's office mailing address, and their official spring 2028 transcript for review by the Foundation by the deadline of June 15, 2028, for funds to be disbursed.

*Fourth award, for academic year 2029-30:* Students must submit \* their student ID#, their institutions' Bursar's office mailing address, and their official spring 2029 transcript for review by the Foundation by the deadline of June 15, 2029, for funds to be disbursed.

\* Official transcripts can be emailed to the Foundation at [scholarships@westbrookfoundation.org](mailto:scholarships@westbrookfoundation.org) or mailed to Westbrook Foundation, Attention: Scholarship Committee, P.O. Box 528, Westbrook, CT 06498.

### What happens to my four-year scholarship if I finish in three years?

Multi-year scholarships are disbursed in four equal installments, at the start of the academic year, and are contingent upon the recipient being enrolled full-time in school. Therefore, if a student graduates in three years, they forfeit their fourth-year award as they will not be enrolled as a full-time student for that upcoming academic year.

### What happens to my scholarship if I take a leave of absence from school?

If you decide to take a year off after being awarded a scholarship, contact the Westbrook Foundation via email at [scholarships@westbrookfoundation.org](mailto:scholarships@westbrookfoundation.org). The decision to continue funding will be subject to review by the Scholarship Committee.

### What happens to my scholarship if I transfer schools?

If you are the recipient of a multi-year award and you transfer schools, you must notify us immediately via email at [scholarships@westbrookfoundation.org](mailto:scholarships@westbrookfoundation.org) so that we can disburse your remaining installments to the correct institution. Provide your new student ID# and the mailing address for the institution's bursar's office as soon as possible upon transfer.

### Can I apply for another Westbrook Foundation Scholarship next year?

You can! Visit [www.westbrookfoundation.org](http://www.westbrookfoundation.org) starting in February 2027 to apply for a Messerschmidt scholarship administered by The Westbrook Foundation.

### How can I get in touch with the Westbrook Foundation if I have questions beyond those that can be answered by the Westbrook High School Guidance Office?

You can email [scholarships@westbrookfoundation.org](mailto:scholarships@westbrookfoundation.org).

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# **Calderari-Hoxsie-Schubert-Steinson Veteran's Memorial Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$1,000*

## **Purpose**

This scholarship memorializes those who served in World War II—especially the three servicemen from Westbrook who lost their lives in that war—and the one serviceman from Westbrook who lost his life during the Korean Conflict. The purpose of the scholarship is to support young people in pursuing a career in the scientific or nursing field.

## **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must display a strong interest in the sciences.
- The candidate must plan to pursue a major in some aspect of science or nursing. Preference is given to candidates who are planning to attend a four-year college; however, worthy candidates planning to attend a two-year college or nursing school are eligible.
- Demonstrated financial need is a consideration.

## **Josephine S. Crump Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$500*

### **Purpose**

This scholarship is intended to support a student who is furthering their studies with the intention of ultimately teaching business education.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must intend to pursue teaching business education.
- The candidate should demonstrate academic achievement in business courses.

## **Allie Cyphers Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$500*

### **Purpose**

This scholarship was established in memory of Albert H. Cyphers, Sr. (Allie), with contributions from his family, friends and Westbrook Scout Troop 38 to honor his service and commitment to the community of Westbrook.

Allie was a longtime resident of Westbrook and served for many years as the Scout Master of Troop 38 in Westbrook. Scouts always knew that “Mr. C” had their best interests at heart and considered themselves fortunate to be under his leadership. Although occasionally regarded as tough at times, the scouts believed that he was fair, had a heart of gold and was a great leader. He truly believed that all 12 points of the Scout law were important; a person should be trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean, and reverent. He led by example. He would spend countless hours with the members of his troop assisting with the revitalization of a local scout camp. He will long be remembered for the countless years of community service he provided to the town of Westbrook as well as to the scouting program.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

This award is intended for students who have made a positive impact on their communities by their involvement in community service activities or tending to the needs of their families.

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must be a member of the Westbrook High School senior graduating class.
- The candidate must be able to demonstrate their commitment to community service and/or their family.
- The candidate must exhibit the qualities of a good citizen as recommended by the Scouting program (demonstrating the 12 points of the Scout Law above).
- Preference is given to candidates that intend to pursue post-secondary education either a two-year or four-year college, technical school or nursing school and have a history of participation in the Scouting program.
- Demonstrated financial need is a consideration.

## **Eileen M. Daily Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$1,000*

### **Purpose**

Beginning locally on the Westbrook Board of Education, subsequently elected for three terms as the town's first selectman, and then serving 20 years as the district's Connecticut state senator, Eileen M. Daily personified a tireless dedication and relentless commitment to service.

Throughout her distinguished tenure, her honesty and integrity were underscored by incredible kindness, lasting friendships, and great humor. The Eileen M. Daily Scholarship has been established by the Connecticut Water Company with contributions from Daily's family and friends to honor her outstanding public service career, particularly in the area of open space preservation and environmental protection.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must intend to pursue four years of higher education at an accredited institution.
- The candidate must demonstrate a substantial commitment to community service and have made a significant contribution to the community.

## **Lew Daniels Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$500*

### **Purpose**

Established in 2020 and awarded for the first time in 2021, the Lew Daniels Scholarship recognizes Westbrook Public Library Director Lewis Daniels and his 40 years of exemplary service to the community of Westbrook (1980 to 2020). Over the years Lew has been recognized for his kind and helpful ways, excellence in research, development of a high-quality, balanced collection of materials, support for the library's evolving technological needs, and strong and varied partnerships with local organizations. Lew's contributions and commitment over the years have resulted in enduring and positive impacts for many groups and individuals. In partnership, the Friends of the Westbrook Public Library, the Westbrook Public Library Board of Trustees, the Westbrook Foundation, and community donors have established the scholarship to encourage young people of Westbrook to pursue a career in librarianship, education, science, technology, engineering, the arts, or mathematics.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must intend to pursue a career in librarianship, education, science, technology, engineering, the arts, or mathematics.
- The candidate must demonstrate academic achievement as well as school and community service.
- The candidate must intend to pursue post-secondary education.
- Demonstrated financial need is a consideration.

## **Dorothy Christopher Hoyt Scholarship**

*Two \$500 or one \$1,000 one-time awards*

### **Purpose**

This scholarship is intended to encourage young people of Westbrook to pursue a career in the teaching profession. Preference is given to individuals entering the teaching profession; however, an award may be made to others if no qualified prospective teacher candidates are available.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate should intend to pursue a career in the teaching profession.

# **Lawrence L. Lariviere Entrepreneurial Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$1,500*

## **Purpose**

This scholarship was established in memory of Lawrence L. Lariviere with contributions from his family and friends to honor his service and commitment to the Westbrook Foundation and the community. This scholarship is intended to support a well-rounded student with a desire to pursue a career in business or entrepreneurship, exhibits interests in athletics and/or music, and has a strong involvement in the community and/or volunteering.

Larry's first career was in retail management, eventually becoming one of two regional directors of Ames Department Stores. When he decided to leave retail, he looked for a business that would allow his young family to remain in Westbrook. In 1989, he purchased Westbrook Lobster, a retail and wholesale seafood business. Eventually, Westbrook Lobster became the restaurant it is today, with an additional location in Wallingford. Larry's sons, Michael and Matthew continue with the business today.

Larry played the saxophone and was voted "Most Musical" in high school. His love of music continued throughout his lifetime. He also loved sports, coaching and cheering his kids as well as UCONN basketball.

He spent endless hours volunteering as chairman of two Westbrook School Building committees.

Larry was a valued Board Member, Scholarship Committee Chair, and Treasurer of the Westbrook Foundation for many years, and we are pleased to introduce this new scholarship in his name.

## **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- Overall well rounded student with at least a B average academically throughout high school career (over 4 years)
- Desire to pursue career in business or entrepreneurship at a college or trade school
- Exhibits interests in athletics and/or music (ideal candidate would have interest in both)
- Strong community involvement and/or volunteering
- Essay required and should be well written

## **Manstan-Nolf Memorial Technology Education Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$1,000*

### **Purpose**

The grandchildren of Oscar “Ty” Manstan created this scholarship in his memory. His early years included service to the community in the Westbrook Fire Department and drove the brand new 1921 Ford Model-T pumper truck to its first fire. He was also a founding member of the Westbrook Fife and Drum Corps serving for five decades. Ty was a creative person throughout his life, working as an auto mechanic in Westbrook for forty years, and building the family home here in town. He appreciated and encouraged those hands-on skills in the youth of the community. He believed that there should be options for “industrial arts” classes, now recognized as “tech ed,” providing a balanced education to prepare students for career options after graduation.

This award is intended to recognize a student who excels in technology education, intending to follow high school at a trade or vocational school, or a two-year college with programs to prepare for careers in any of the fields that support technologies of the modern world.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate should demonstrate academic achievement in technology education.

## **Marie Mazeau Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$500*

### **Purpose**

The parents of Marie Mazeau have established a scholarship in memory of their daughter. Mazeau was a premature baby when she was born; she weighed only one pound, one ounce. She worked hard to overcome her obstacles, despite her rough start. She was a third grader at Daisy Ingraham School and an excellent reader with a vivid imagination. She loved animals and dreamed of becoming a veterinarian. Mazeau had been paired with a high school student as part of the high school's Peer Counselor program. This program provides high school students the opportunity to see with their hearts the simple truths that cannot be found in a textbook. The goal of this scholarship is to recognize the peer counselor who has best put their heart and soul into the program.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must have been enrolled in the Peer Counselor program at some point during their time at Westbrook High School.
- Candidates who intend to pursue an education in a health-related profession (e.g. physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, respiratory therapy, veterinary medicine, nursing, medicine) will be given special consideration, although this is not a requirement for this scholarship.

## **Patricia Mazeau and Myrtie Gareau Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$500*

### **Purpose**

This scholarship was established by Steve Mazeau in memory of his mother, Patricia Mazeau, and his grandmother, Myrtie Gareau. The purpose is to provide a scholarship for a graduating senior who, like his mother, was raised by a single parent. Myrtie Gareau, a single parent, raised her three children during the difficult economic times of the late 1930s and 1940s. A special bond was formed between them despite the hardships they had to endure. This scholarship recognizes present-day single-parent families, their sacrifices, and their determination.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must be the child of a single parent.
- Demonstrated financial need is a consideration.

# **Krysta Brielle Morant Memorial Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$1,500*

## **Purpose**

The family of Krysta Morant has established this scholarship in memory of their loved one. Sharing in Krysta's spirit of strength, empathy, and regard for others, this memorial scholarship is intended to support young people in pursuing a degree in any of the life sciences, including agriculture, fisheries and food, anatomy and morphology, behavioral sciences, biology, biochemistry and biotechnology, biophysics, ecology, evolution and environment, entomology, forestry, genetics and heredity, immunology, mycology, paleontology, parasitology, pharmacology and pharmacy, physiology, plant sciences, toxicology, veterinary sciences, virology, and zoology.

## **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must display a strong interest in the life sciences.
- The candidate must plan to pursue a major in some aspect of life sciences. Preference is given to candidates who are planning to attend a four-year college; however, worthy candidates planning to attend a two-year college or nursing school are eligible.
- Demonstrated financial need is a consideration.

## **Herbert A. Muller, Jr. Memorial Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$400*

### **Purpose**

Anna Muller established a scholarship in memory of her son, Herbert Muller. It is intended to recognize the Westbrook High School senior who has put forth the greatest academic effort during senior year and will be pursuing further studies in college.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

There are no additional eligibility and selection criteria that candidates must meet beyond what is outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document.

## **Ellen S. Murphy Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$500*

### **Purpose**

The children of Ellen S. Murphy have established a scholarship to honor the memory of their mother. Ellen Murphy taught at Westbrook High School for over 25 years. She valued her association with the school's students, staff, and faculty. She enjoyed working with all of the students and was particularly gratified by those students who worked hard to improve both their academic performance and their conduct while in high school.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must have demonstrated improvement in course work and conduct during the four years of high school.
- Demonstrated financial need is a consideration.

## **Brandon E. Norman Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$500*

### **Purpose**

The Brandon E. Norman Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to a Westbrook High School graduating senior who can meet the criteria. This scholarship is intended to assist young people who demonstrate an interest in pursuing an education in industrial arts, now called technology education.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The graduating senior must intend to pursue an education in industrial arts, now called technology education, at a technical school/institute or institution of higher education in areas including but not limited to welding/metal fabrication, auto body, automotive, etc. If no applicant meets the criteria, any student pursuing technology education would be considered as a candidate.
- The candidate must have taken technology classes with the Westbrook High School industrial arts teacher.
- Demonstrated financial need is a consideration.

### **Special Instructions**

- One of the candidate's two letters of recommendation must be written by the Westbrook High School technology education teacher.

## **Dan Nuhn Memorial Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$500*

### **Purpose**

This scholarship is to be awarded to a graduating senior of Westbrook High School who is furthering their education in the area of art. A Westbrook student until his death in October 2005, Dan Nuhn displayed a love of art manifested not only in experimenting in various art genres but also in the formation of a very profitable business. For years, he collected Andy Warhol art and was frustrated by the fact that there was not one single source for this. He had to search the world over to add to his collection. This eventually led to Dan Nuhn Art, the only single source for Andy Warhol art. His passion for art fueled his desire to contact art dealers all over the world to purchase and sell Andy Warhol art. He was respected by everyone he came in contact with, none of whom even suspected that he was so very young. He was a very compassionate person who would delight in knowing that a student with the passion he had for art would benefit from a scholarship in his name.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must show proficiency in one or more artistic mediums.

## **Tom ODell Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$500 Purpose*

The Tom ODell Scholarship has been established in recognition of his half-century of volunteer leadership in conservation and preservation of Westbrook's natural resources as Chairman of the Conservation Commission, and to encourage young people of Westbrook High School to pursue a career in a science or in a teaching profession related to the conservation, preservation and restoration of natural resources, including coastal resources. Under Tom ODell's leadership the town has permanently protected over 1,000 acres of forested open space that sustains fresh water quality and quantity in Westbrook's rivers, estuaries and Long Island Sound; protects wildlife habitat; and provides opportunity for passive recreation. The results of his conservation advocacy and actions for preserving forest land and protecting water quality will enhance the character of the community and be enjoyed by present and future generations. ODell grew up exploring Connecticut's woodlands and spent 35 great years with the U.S. Forest Service as a research forest entomologist developing biological controls of invasive forest insects.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must intend to pursue a career in a science or teaching profession related to the conservation and protection of natural resources, including coastal resources.
- The candidate must demonstrate academic achievement as well as school and community service.
- The candidate must intend to attend a four-year college.
- Demonstrated financial need is a consideration.

## **Henry Ortner, Jr. Memorial Scholarship**

*Two awards of \$7,000 with equal payments divided over four years (\$1,750 per year to each recipient)*

### **Purpose**

Henry Ortner, Jr., dedicated much of his life to community service. He was a particularly unique resource for the people of Westbrook. Through his many years of service on the Planning and Harbor Commissions, he helped shape the current and future direction of this community. Ortner was a career diesel-engineering specialist who applied his talents above and beyond his specialty. This scholarship was established by his late wife, Esther Ortner, as a living memorial to his effort and dedication.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must demonstrate academic achievement as well as school and community service.
- The candidate must intend to pursue a career in engineering, sciences, nursing, or any technical field including health services.
- Demonstrated financial need is a consideration.

## **Barbara (Ginger) Reeve Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$500*

### **Purpose**

This scholarship was established in memory of Barbara (Ginger) Reeve with contributions from her family and friends to honor her service and commitment to the Westbrook community. This scholarship is intended to support a student with a desire to pursue a career in education and who has demonstrated the importance of promoting community service.

Ginger dedicated her life to education as a teacher for 34 years in the Westbrook School System. Even after her retirement, she continued to make a difference as a tutor for 12 years. Ginger was deeply involved in her community. She served on numerous committees, including Board of Selectmen, Westbrook Foundation, and Board of Education among others. Her passion for making Westbrook a better place was evident in her tireless dedication to these organizations.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate should intend to pursue a career in education.
- The candidate must demonstrate a substantial commitment to community service.
- Demonstrated financial need is a consideration.

## **Dr. Robert J. Schreck Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$2,500*

### **Purpose**

This scholarship honors Dr. Robert J. Schreck, longtime educator and former Superintendent of Westbrook Public Schools. Dr. Schreck's 50-year career began as a math teacher at Troup Jr. High in 1956. After seven years, he transitioned to administration, playing a key role in the integration of Sheridan and Basset Middle Schools. In 1969, he transitioned to a defining role in his career as Principal of Lee High School.

While at Lee, Dr. Schreck was invited to advise President Gerald Ford on education and led academic accreditation committees in Boston and Providence. Later, he served as Superintendent in Westbrook for 13 years, where five of his 21 grandchildren attended school.

This award is intended for a student with good values and an intention to bring those values into the field of education.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate should intend to pursue a career in education.
- The candidate must demonstrate academic achievement as well as school and community service.
- Demonstrated financial need is a consideration.

## **Barbara Spencer Memorial Scholarships**

*Note that the below award quantities and amounts may vary at the discretion of the Westbrook Foundation.*

**Academic Achievement Scholarships:** Three awards of \$6,000 divided into equal payments over four years (\$1,500 per year, per recipient) will be given to the three students with the highest GPAs among the applicants.

**Leadership Scholarship:** One award of \$3,000 divided into equal payments over two years (\$1,500 per year).

**Good Citizen Scholarship:** One award of \$3,000 divided into equal payments over two years (\$1,500 per year).

**Special Awards:** One-time awards given at the discretion of the Westbrook Foundation based on available funds.

**Spirit of Westbrook Scholarships:** Additional awards may be given at the discretion of the Westbrook Foundation based on available funds

### **Purpose**

The various Barbara Spencer Memorial scholarships are intended to encourage young people to pursue higher education.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- Preference is given to candidates who are planning to attend a four-year college; however, worthy candidates planning to attend a two-year college, technical, or nursing school may also be eligible.
- Demonstrated financial need is a consideration.

## **Elliot A. Spencer Memorial Scholarship**

*One award of \$5,000 with equal payments divided over four years (\$1,250 per year).*

### **Purpose**

This scholarship is intended to encourage young people of Westbrook High School to pursue higher education.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must have a grade-point average of B or higher.
- Candidates intending to attend a four-year college are given preference; however, worthy candidates planning to attend a two-year college, technical, or nursing school may also apply.
- Demonstrated financial need is a consideration.

# **Shoreline Amateur Radio Club Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$500*

## **Purpose**

The Shoreline Amateur Radio Club was formed in 1964 to promote the hobby of amateur radio with enthusiasts in lower Middlesex County. The club has a long history of camaraderie within the hobby and supporting the area with emergency communications. In 1993 a scholarship fund was started by life member David Andrews to assist a graduating high school senior in the pursuit of their post-secondary education.

This scholarship is intended to encourage and financially assist mature young people of Westbrook High School toward a higher education in electronics, electrical engineering, or a related technical communication field.

## **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must have a grade-point average of B or higher.
- The candidate must intend to attend a technical institution, two-year college, or four-year college to pursue a major that will lead to a career in electronics, electrical engineering, or a related technical radio frequency (RF) communication field. Demonstrated financial need is a consideration.

## **Nicholas P. Tragakes Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$500*

### **Purpose**

This scholarship supports a student who is intending to major in agricultural sciences or STEM-related studies.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must intend to major in an agricultural science (such as horticulture, landscaping, veterinary studies, or agricultural studies) or STEM studies (science, technology, engineering, or mathematics) at a four-year or two-year college or university.
- Candidate must demonstrate academic achievement as well as school and community service.
- Financial need is not a primary factor.

## **Westbrook Education Association - Peter M. D'Errico Award**

*A single, one-time award of \$1,000*

### **Purpose**

This scholarship is given in honor of Peter M. D'Errico, a founding member of the Westbrook High School faculty and former Board of Education member. This award recognizes a student whose integrity, character, and contribution to the school are exemplary.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate may be called for a personal interview.
- The candidate must exhibit the qualities of a good citizen.

## **Westbrook Education Association - Daisy Ingraham Memorial Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$2,000*

### **Purpose**

This scholarship is given by the Westbrook teachers in memory of a former faculty member. It is intended to recognize and encourage mature young people of Westbrook High School toward higher education and is awarded primarily on the basis of scholarship; however, character, leadership, and service are also important considerations. This scholarship is unique because it is awarded by those who may be best qualified to judge these criteria.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- Candidates intending to attend a four-year college are given preference, however, worthy candidates planning to attend a two-year college, technical, or nursing school are also eligible to apply.
- Financial need is not necessarily a consideration.
- All candidates must possess an 84 or better GPA at the end of first semester of their senior year.
- The candidate may be called for a personal interview.

## **Westbrook Education Association Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$2,000*

### **Purpose**

This scholarship is given by the Westbrook teachers. It is intended to recognize and encourage mature young people of Westbrook High School toward higher education and is awarded primarily on the basis of scholarship; however, character, service to the school and students, and financial need are important considerations. This scholarship is unique because it is awarded by those who may be best qualified to judge these criteria.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined in “Instructions for High School Seniors Applying for Westbrook Local Scholarships”:

- The candidate must exhibit good and moral ethical character.
- The candidate must exhibit the qualities of a good citizen.
- Candidates intending to attend a four-year college are given preference; however, worthy candidates planning to attend a two-year college, technical, or nursing school are also eligible to apply.
- The candidate’s financial need is a consideration.
- The candidate must be a member of the Westbrook High School senior graduating class. All candidates must possess a B average GPA or better by the end of semester one in their senior year.

## **Westbrook Grange #123 Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$750*

### **Purpose**

This scholarship is intended to support a Westbrook resident who is a senior in a private, parochial, technical, or public school.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must show promise in and intend to pursue further education in one or more of the following fields: agriculture, environmental sciences, forestry, horticulture, and/or animal husbandry.
- Demonstrated financial need is a consideration.

## **Raymond L. Wilson Scholarship**

*A single, one-time award of \$1,000*

### **Purpose**

Few, if any, educators have contributed more directly to the quality of education of Westbrook children than Raymond L. Wilson, principal of Westbrook elementary schools from 1961 through 1987, a period of 26 years. He worked capably and industriously to establish a nurturing climate of educational excellence. He sought to know each child by name and in a kindly and fatherly manner. He effectively blended his disciplinary function with humor and love. This scholarship is a means of memorializing his deep caring for Westbrook children.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The candidate must be in the top 25% of the graduating class.
- The candidate must have attended Westbrook Public Schools for a minimum of 10 years.
- The candidate must intend to pursue a major that will lead to a career in public education.

## **The Gary Gavigan Scholarship**

*Annual award of \$1,000 to one recipient*

### **Purpose**

The scholarship was established in honor of Gary F. Gavigan with contributions from his family and friends to recognize his military service and honor his commitment to public service and contributions volunteering in Westbrook.

Immediately following Gary's graduation from college, he joined the US Army where he served for 4 years. He was selected to serve in a rigorous program at the Defense Language Institute in California and became fluent in the Vietnamese language before being deployed to Vietnam. Upon his return from duty in Vietnam, he completed his service at the National Security Agency in Maryland. He was proud of his service, was active in American Legion Post #103 and was committed to supporting other veterans.

Gary and Teri raised their family in Westbrook where Gary gave back to the town in so many ways. He founded the local Jaycees, served as president of the Chamber of Commerce, was active in Little League, served on the Council of St. Mark's Church, and was a member of the Westbrook Elks. He served 13 years on the Westbrook Board of Education, and 24 years on the Board of Finance, finishing as its Chair. He was involved on various other town boards and commissions, including two school building committees, the town garage building committee, and a member of the Traffic, Senior Management, and Energy Committees. He was Chair of the Westbrook Democratic Town Committee.

He was recognized for his considerable service to the Town in 2023 as the recipient of the Westbrook Democratic Town Committee Eileen Daily Award.

### **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection outlined on pages 1 and 2 of this document:

- The student must have demonstrated a commitment to the community by volunteering or participating in community focused organizations or activities such as committees or clubs at school, scouts or other organizations, projects or activities focused on the community.
- The individual shall show an interest in a career in a public service-related field (including but not limited to public safety, education, coaching or social services, etc.).
- The candidate shall be a well rounded individual in good academic standard but is not required to have a minimum GPA or class rank.
- The scholarship may be used toward costs of (1) post-secondary education at an accredited two- or four-year college to pursue a career in a public service related field or (2) training for licenses or certification for public safety positions such as police, fire, emergency medical services or the military.