

# ESSEX CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION, INC.



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## SCHOLARSHIPS

### GENERAL ELIGIBILITY AND APPLICATION INFORMATION FOR 2024

Scholarships will be awarded by September 1, 2026 as follows:

1. The ECHS Foundation will award competitive scholarships to children or grandchildren or other descendants of Essex Catholic H.S. or Bishop Francis Essex Catholic H.S. alumni who are accepted and will be entering grades 9 through 12 in any private (non-public) U.S. high school; any college/university as an undergraduate or graduate; or any technical/trade school for the Fall 2026 semester.
2. All recipients of an ECHS Foundation scholarship for prior years must reapply for a scholarship.
3. Applicants must provide proof of acceptance or other evidence of attendance (e.g. copy of current student I.D.).
4. Submit two letters of recommendation with the application: one letter written by any of the following: the applicant's current school principal, a current teacher/professor or a school counselor; the second letter written by anyone other than a relative who has knowledge of the applicant from non-school-related activities, such as participation in church, sports, recreation, volunteering, etc.
5. The applicant must complete and sign Part I of the application. Parents or legal guardians can assist when necessary. The parent(s) or legal guardian(s) must complete Part II of the application and sign in the appropriate area if the applicant is a minor (under the age of 18).
6. The completed, signed application and letters of recommendation must arrive no later than midnight, June 1, 2026, via email or mail. The writer of a letter of recommendation may email or mail it directly to the ECHS Foundation, or the applicant may attach the letter to his/her application.
7. The Foundation Board of Trustees Scholarship Committee, composed of alumni and chaired by Roger Desiderio '67, will recommend the awarding of a scholarship based on several factors, including, but not limited to, the student's goals, school achievement/potential and non-school activities.
8. Email application and supporting materials to [rdesiderio@benditweinstock.com](mailto:rdesiderio@benditweinstock.com) or mail to:

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Please direct any questions to Roger Desiderio at [rdesiderio@benditweinstock.com](mailto:rdesiderio@benditweinstock.com) or call 973-736-9800.

**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2026**  
**ESSEX CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDATION, INC.**

**For students entering grades 9, 10, 11 or 12 in any non-public high school;  
undergraduate/graduate college/university; or technical/trade school in Fall 2026.**  
**Application deadline is June 1, 2026.**

**PART I**  
**APPLICANT**

The applicant student will complete Part I, and the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) must approve the content if the applicant is a minor (under the age of 18)

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Home/Residence Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_ or Home \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsoring Essex Catholic Alumnus: Name and Graduation Year and  
Relationship to Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) or Legal Guardian(s) Full Name(s):

Mother or Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Father or Legal Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of school currently attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the school you will attend in Fall 2023 (attach letter of acceptance or other proof of attendance, e.g. copy of current student I.D.): \_\_\_\_\_

**QUESTION 1**

In 100 words or less: Is there someone in your life that you look up to as a role model? Who is that and why?

**QUESTION 2**

In 100 words or less: Why are you attending or want to attend the school of your choice?

**QUESTION 3**

In 100 words or less: If you receive this scholarship award, how will this change your attitude about helping others?

**QUESTION 4**

In 100 words or less: Describe how attending the school of your choice has helped or will help you decide what kind of work you will do as an adult? (Continue on back or add a page.)

**QUESTION 5**

Attach a copy of your most recent report card or transcript and list each of your extracurricular activities at school and any community service performed by you.

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Part II**  
**PARENTS(S) or LEGAL GUARDIAN(S)**

If the applicant is a minor (under 18), the parent(s) or a legal guardian(s) listed on Part I must complete Part II of this application. One or both parents or legal guardians must sign Part II at the bottom. If a legal guardian is completing Part II, please attach a copy of any legal document authorizing your guardianship of the minor applying for the scholarship.

Daytime Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Evening Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Enter below the contact information only if different from the contact information in Part I:

Home Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone : \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_ or Home \_\_\_\_\_

Evening Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile \_\_\_\_\_ or Home \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional information, if any, you would like to add to enhance this scholarship application:

I (we) have reviewed and approve the content of Part I of the scholarship application completed by my (our) child and I (we) assure the ECHS Foundation that all the information I (we) entered in Part II is true and accurate to the best of my (our) ability. I (we) understand that applications, letters of recommendation, and all other supporting documents and materials submitted to the ECHS Foundation will become the property of the ECHS Foundation and will not be returned. By signing this application, the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) also agree to allow the ECHS Foundation to utilize the image and name in publicity, videos, newsletters, letters, electronic transmissions and news releases related to the scholarship award. Scholarship recipients agree to have their photograph taken with ECHS Foundation representatives and agree to release all rights to the photo to the ECHS Foundation for its promotional and fundraising activities.

Mother or Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Father or Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The ECHS Foundation Scholarship Committee must receive the application no later than midnight, June 1, 2026. Email your application to [rdesiderio@benditweinstock.com](mailto:rdesiderio@benditweinstock.com) or mail to:

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