

NCEF

NORTHEAST CONNECTICUT EDUCATION FOUNDATION

2026 SCHOLARSHIPS

Open to Residents of Windham County Connecticut pursuing higher education.

APPLICATION OPENS FEBRUARY 1 - MARCH 13

INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

RANGE BETWEEN

\$500 - \$2,500

ALL IT TAKES IS ONE HOUR TO APPLY!

**ALL INFORMATION
CAN BE FOUND AT:**



NECTEDUCATIONFOUNDATION.ORG/SCHOLARSHIPS

The Northeast Connecticut Education Foundation's mission is to provide scholarships and other financial support to residents of Northeast Connecticut who want to pursue higher education.

WHO CAN APPLY:

- Residents of Windham County, Connecticut
- Most scholarships require a minimum 3.0 GPA; select scholarships do not have a GPA requirement

WHEN TO APPLY:

Scholarship applications and all supporting documents are accepted between February 1 and noon on March 13, 2026.

A COMPLETE APPLICATION MUST INCLUDE:

1. Online Application

2. Supporting Documents:

- **Academic Letter of Recommendation:** Must be a current letter signed by the reference.

- **Character Reference:** Must be a current letter signed by the reference.

**NOTE Academic and Character letters cannot be from a family member.*

- **Official Transcript of Grades:** Official transcripts must be submitted.

High School students should submit their in-progress transcripts

- **Personal Statement:** This is a very important part of your application. The scholarship selection committee relies heavily on personal statements to aid in the process. Provide numerous reasons and details as to why you should be chosen for a scholarship. You must reference your financial need and any "yes" responses from the Additional Criteria section on this online application. **Note - the use of AI in the writing of your personal statement is prohibited.*

- **Signature Page**

**Note – Forms for the academic letter, character reference, personal statement, and signature page are available for download here: necteducationfoundation.org/scholarships*

OTHER MATERIALS:

In addition to the above supporting documents, select students must submit the following:

- **Military applicants** must provide your DD214.

All supporting documents must be turned in together in ONE packet at:

Northeast CT Education Foundation Office (Room W222)

Attn: Sarah Wolfburg, Coordinator

CT State Community College Quinebaug Valley,

742 Upper Maple Street

Danielson, CT 06239

Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00am - 4:15pm

HOW SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AWARDED:

Scholarship applicants are screened by an impartial committee from the NCEF. Scholarship awards are presented at the Northeast Connecticut Education Foundation Scholarship Night on Wednesday, May 6, at 5:00 pm. Recipients are notified in advance of the ceremony and are required to attend to receive their awards. Call The NCEF office at 860.932.4133 for more information.

bankHOMETOWN Scholarship (14 @ \$2,000)

Applicant must:

1. Be a full-time student at a recognized college or university
2. Have a GPA of 3.0 or better
3. Have demonstrated financial need
4. Reside in a Windham County Connecticut town served by a bankHOMETOWN branch

Buttner Family Fund (\$2,500)

Applicant must:

1. Be a full-time or part-time student at a recognized college or university
2. Have a GPA of 3.0 or better
3. Be pursuing a career in health care

Dr. Murray Buttner Family Scholarship (\$2,600)

Applicant must:

1. Be a full-time or part-time student at a recognized college or university
2. Have a GPA of 3.0 or better
3. Be pursuing a career in health care

Jewett City Savings Bank Scholarship (\$1,000)

Applicant must:

1. Be a full-time or part-time student at a recognized college or university
2. Have a GPA of 3.0 or better

Emil & Alice Miller Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000)

Applicant must:

1. Be a new student at a recognized college or university
2. Have a GPA of 3.0 or better
3. Have demonstrated financial need
4. Be a recent high school graduate

Dr. Robert E. & Sylvia M. Miller Scholarship (\$1,100)

Applicant must:

1. Be a full-time or part-time student at a recognized college or university
2. Have a GPA of 3.0 or better
3. Show outstanding involvement in community service

The Elizabeth "Betti" Kuszaj Northeastern Connecticut Chamber of Commerce Scholarship (1,900)

Applicant must:

1. Be a full-time or part-time student at a recognized college or university
2. Have a GPA of 3.0 or better
3. Have demonstrated financial need

Preference to: A student planning to attend a college or university in Northeast CT (QV, ECSU, UCONN)

Northeast Opportunities for Wellness Norman Corriveau Scholarship (\$1,100)

Applicant must:

1. Be a full-time or part-time student at CT State Quinebaug Valley
2. Have a GPA of 3.0 or better

Dr. Lynn Pasquerella & John Kuchle Scholarship (\$1,150)

Applicant must:

1. Be a full-time or part-time student at a recognized college or university
2. Have a GPA of 3.0 or better
3. Have demonstrated financial need
4. Be pursuing a degree in liberal arts and sciences

Rooke-Norman Women's Opportunity Scholarship (\$1,000)

Applicant must:

1. Be a full-time or part-time student at a recognized college or university
2. Be female
3. Have demonstrated that she has persevered to overcome hardship

United Natural Foods Scholarship (2 @ \$1,650)

Applicant must:

1. Be a full-time or part-time student at a recognized college or university
2. Have a GPA of 3.0 or better
3. Have demonstrated financial need

Preference to: Employees of United Natural Foods and members of their immediate families

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**The 2026 – 2027
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Deadline is NOON on March 13, 2026

The information contained in this booklet is accurate as of January 2026