

Wallingford Town, Vermont
Ralph E. Stafford & Irving Smith Scholarships

Scholarship Intent

The Stafford and Smith Scholarships are granted to students who are residents of the Town of Wallingford and wish to pursue higher education beyond the high school level. The scholarships will be made available to a limited number of students each year who are entering their first year of post-high school higher education. Awarded funds will be distributed following proof of registration for the spring semester of the student's first year.

Scholarship Criteria

Scholarships will be awarded to a limited number of students based upon strength of coursework, extra curricular activities, community service activities, financial need, and quality of essay (part of the application process).

Application Process

Interested students should complete the entire application (included with this overview). The paper application should also be submitted with a copy of:

- Current high school transcript
- From the FAFSA (Student Financial Aid Report) submit the page that indicates your EFC (Estimated Family Contribution) Code
- One Letter of Recommendation (from teacher, coach, etc. - not from a parent/guardian or family member)

No application will be considered unless submitted in its entirety. All information shared on the application will be kept strictly confidential.

Submission Process

Completed applications with required supporting information should be mailed or delivered to:

Mill River Unified Union School District
Office of the Superintendent
Attn: Wallingford Scholarship Materials
2321 Middle Road, Suite 1
N. Clarendon VT 05759

Submission Deadline is May 1, 2026.

Decisions will be made by June 2, 2026. **NOTE, any scholarships awarded will not be paid until proof of registration for the spring semester is provided.**

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Application Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

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Phone: _____
Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____ HS Graduation Date: _____

HS Attended: _____

Grade Point Average: _____

Higher Ed Institution Attending: _____

Before any secured funding, what is the cost to attend this school? _____

First Year Secured Funding:

Grants/Scholarships Amount: _____ Loan Amount: _____ None: _____

Parent/Guardian Names:

(Occupation)

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Adjusted Gross Family Income:

Number attending college next year:

Activities/Community Service:

*** Attach minimum 1 page essay with application ***

Essay prompt:

Explain your goals for your post-high school educational career and the way in which this scholarship support will help you to achieve those goals. Also share any extenuating circumstances that the scholarship committee should be aware of or any further information that may help the committee to further understand who you are as a student and applicant.