

OCEAN COUNTY MAYORS' ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS 2025

GENERAL STATEMENT:

The Ocean County Mayors' Association is sponsoring **21 - \$1,000** (4-year accredited high schools) and **4 - \$500** (Ocean County Vocational-Technical Schools) scholarships to be given annually to high school seniors residing in Ocean County in accordance with the conditions listed below. The administration of the scholarships will be under the direction of the Ocean County Superintendents' Roundtable. All funds shall be raised and maintained by the Mayors' Association. In addition, interested students should contact their guidance counselor for any additional information that may be required. **ALL RECIPIENTS MUST BE RESIDENTS OF OCEAN COUNTY. Deadline to receive all materials is Friday, May 2, 2025.**

CONDITIONS:

1. **Eligibility:** One graduating senior class member from each four-year accredited high school (21) in Ocean County for the **Mayors' Scholarships** and one graduating senior for the OCMA's "special" scholarships: Russell K. Corby Scholarship (Special Education), William W. Curtis (Health Science Interest), Arthur P. Petracco (Student Furthering Their Education), and David Siddons Scholarship (Political Science)– see criteria for these special scholarships below.
2. **Awardee Characteristics:** Award winners shall have demonstrated excellence in academics. They shall have an expressed interest in government. They shall have documented a history of service to their school and/or home communities.
3. **Ocean County Vocational – Technical School:** Four (4) \$500 scholarships shall be awarded to Ocean County students attending Ocean County Vocational Technical Schools (**i.e. the Toms River, Jackson, Waretown and Brick centers**) and three (3) \$1,000 scholarships shall be awarded to Ocean County students attending Ocean County Vocational Technical Academies (**MATES, GPAA and ALPS**).
4. **Funding:** Funding for the scholarships shall be provided by the Ocean County Mayors' Association. The amount of the scholarships shall be determined annually by the Ocean County Mayors' Association.
5. **Selection Process:** Within the limits of the general provisions established for the scholarships, all selection procedures shall be determined by the Ocean County Superintendents' Roundtable.
6. **Presentation:** Presentation of the scholarships shall be at the Annual Ocean County Superintendents' Roundtable Student Recognition Breakfast.
7. **Photographs:** A non-returnable photograph of the student is required to be submitted along with the scholarship application.
8. **William T. Hornidge Scholarship:** One (1) \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a student with the highest academic record achieved during the four years attendance in high school. The committee chooses this winner based on the schools' submissions for the Mayors' Scholarship. The criteria for judging the highest shall be as follows:
 - 1) Since different high schools have varying methods of quantifying all academic excellence, all student grade point averages that equal the top score awarded shall be considered equal.
 - 2) In the case of a tie, the second tie-breaker shall be the highest SAT score.
 - 3) In the case of an additional tie, consideration shall be given to public service performed within the school or within the community
9. **Russell K. Corby Scholarship:** One (1) \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a student with interest in **"special education"**. **Students must have a family member present or past that is/was an elected official.** Multiple nominees accepted.
10. **William W. Curtis Scholarship:** One (1) \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a student with an interest in **"health sciences"**. **Students must have a family member present or past that is/was an elected official.** Multiple nominees accepted.
11. **Arthur P. Petracco Memorial Scholarship:** One (1) \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a student **"furthering their education"**. **Students must have a family member present or past that is/was an elected official.** Multiple nominees accepted.
12. **David M. Siddons Scholarship:** One (1) \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a student with a **"political science"** interest. **Students must have a family member present or past that is/was an elected official.** Multiple nominees accepted.
13. **Ocean County College:** The Ocean County Mayors' Association shall give to the Trustees of the Ocean County College scholarship fund an amount of money (currently \$5,000) that shall be distributed by the Trustees in accordance with their scholarship criteria to incoming Ocean County College Freshmen.
14. **Submission:** The completed application must be returned to the school guidance counselor **to then be submitted to Allison Erwin no later than Friday, May 2, 2025.** Email completed applications (form, essay, photo, transcript) to aerwin@jacksonsd.org by May 2, 2025. If necessary, they can also be mailed to Allison Erwin c/o Jackson School District, 151 Don Connor Blvd. Jackson, NJ 08527 but they must be RECEIVED by May 2, 2025. For questions, call 732-833-4618 or email aerwin@jacksonsd.org.

INFORMATION for DISTRICTS FOR EACH SCHOLARSHIP BEING PROVIDED BY THE OCEAN COUNTY MAYORS' ASSOCIATION

ALL RECIPIENTS MUST LIVE IN OCEAN COUNTY. Please remember that the winners of the **Russel K. Corby, William W. Curtis, Arthur P. Petracco, and David M. Siddons Scholarships** are all selected by the Mayors' Association. Please wait to be informed (ASAP after May 2, 2025 deadline) if your nominee has been chosen for those special scholarships. At that time, you will invite the recipient and two of his/her parents to the Recognition Breakfast being held on Wednesday, May 21, 2025 at RWJ Barnabas Arena ~ 1245 Old Freehold Rd, Toms River, NJ 08753 from 8:30 to 11 a.m. (no cost to family – as guests of the OCMA).

Ocean County Mayor's Scholarship – Blue Form

School staff will submit **ONE student per high school** for the Mayor's Scholarship (\$1,000). This is the student with the **highest academic record**. The SCHOOL will determine this recipient and send in their profile on the blue highlighted form.

From all of those Mayors' Scholarship recipients, ONE winner county-wide will be **chosen by the committee** to also receive the **William T. Hornidge Scholarship (\$1,000)**.

Russell K. Corby Scholarship

Schools may submit multiple nominees for the **Russell K. Corby Scholarship**

One (1) \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a student with **interest in special Education**.

Students must have a family member present or past that is/was an elected official.

From those submissions, the Mayors' Association will choose ONE winner county-wide to receive the **Russell K. Corby Scholarship**.

William W. Curtis Scholarship

Schools may submit multiple nominees for the **William W. Curtis Scholarship**.

One (1) \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a **student with an interest in Health Sciences**.

Students must have a family member present or past that is/was an elected official.

From those submissions, the Mayors' Association will choose ONE winner county-wide to receive the **William W. Curtis Scholarship**.

Arthur P. Petracco Memorial Scholarship

Schools may submit multiple nominees for the **Arthur P. Petracco Memorial Scholarship**.

One (1) \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a **student furthering their education**.

Students must have a family member present or past that is/was an elected official.

From those submissions, the Mayors' Association will choose ONE winner county-wide to receive the **Arthur P. Petracco Memorial Scholarship**.

David M. Siddons Scholarship

Schools may submit multiple nominees for the **David M. Siddons Scholarship**.

One (1) \$1,000 scholarship is awarded to a student with a **political science interest**.

Students must have a family member present or past that is/was an elected official.

From those submissions, the Mayors' Association will choose ONE winner county-wide to receive the **David M. Siddons Scholarship**.

**PLEASE POST THIS SCHOLARSHIP PACKET
ON YOUR SCHOOL WEBSITE AND ENCOURAGE YOUR STAFF TO
NOTIFY STUDENTS OF THESE OPPORTUNITIES!**

2025

OCEAN COUNTY MAYORS' ASSOCIATION

Mayors' Scholarship RECIPIENT / William T. Hornidge Scholarship NOMINEE

(Highest Academic Performing Student – Determined by District)

From all recipients from all districts – ONE will be chosen to also receive William T. Hornidge Scholarship

Due by May 2, 2025

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

SOCIAL SECURITY #: _____

NAMES OF TWO PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHO WILL BE ATTENDING BREAKFAST (do NOT list below if not attending):

Parent/Guardian 1 Attending: _____ Parent/Guardian 2 Attending: _____

PARENT PHONE # _____ CELL NUMBER – if different: _____

HIGH SCHOOL: _____

HS TELEPHONE #: _____ GUIDANCE COUNSELOR: _____

1. SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: (Band, Athletics, Clubs, etc.): _____

2. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: (Scouts, Church Groups, Volunteers, etc.): _____

3. PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT AND A RECENT PHOTOGRAPH OF YOURSELF (GRADUATION PHOTO IS PREFERRED – WILL BE PUBLISHED IN EVENT PROGRAM).

4. PRINCIPAL'S RECOMMENDATION: _____

5. ESSAY: Discuss, in detail, your interest in government. This could mean an area you studied or will be studying, or your general interest in government as a citizen. PLEASE ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET(S).

**DISTRICTS MAKE THIS SELECTION AND SUBMIT THIS STUDENT FOR THE MAYORS' SCHOLARSHIP.
It is to be your HIGHEST ACADEMICALLY ACHIEVING STUDENT.**

From all submissions, one will be chosen by the event hosts to ALSO receive the William T. Hornidge Scholarship.
**YOU SHOULD AUTOMATICALLY INVITE THIS STUDENT AND TWO OF HIS/HER PARENTS
TO THE RECOGNITION EVENT.**

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OCEAN COUNTY MAYORS' ASSOCIATION
*** RUSSELL K. CORBY SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**
(Special Education Interest)
STUDENTS MUST HAVE A FAMILY MEMBER PRESENT OR PAST THAT IS/WAS AN ELECTED OFFICIAL
Due by May 2, 2025

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

SOCIAL SECURITY # : _____

NAMES OF TWO PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHO WOULD ATTEND **IF YOU ARE SELECTED:** (DON'T list if they would not attend.)

Parent/Guardian 1 who would attend: _____ Parent/Guardian 2 who would attend _____

PARENT PHONE # _____ CELL NUMBER – if different: _____

HIGH SCHOOL NAME: _____

HS TELEPHONE #: _____ GUIDANCE COUNSELOR: _____

1. SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: (Band, Athletics, Clubs, etc.): _____

2. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: (Scouts, Church Groups, Volunteers, etc.): _____

3. NAME/TITLE OF FAMILY MEMBER WHO IS PRESENT/PAST OFFICIAL and POSITION HELD:

4. PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT AND A RECENT PHOTOGRAPH OF YOURSELF (GRADUATION PHOTO IS PREFERRED – WILL BE PUBLISHED IN EVENT PROGRAM).

5. PRINCIPAL'S RECOMMENDATION: _____

6. ESSAY: Discuss, in detail, your interest in special education. This could mean what you will be studying, or how it is an interest in your life. PLEASE ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET(S).

*** DISTRICTS MAY SUBMIT MULTIPLE APPLICATIONS, HOWEVER ONLY ONE STUDENT WILL BE SELECTED (COUNTY WIDE) BY THE OCEAN COUNTY MAYORS' ASSOCIATION**
PLEASE WAIT UNTIL NOTIFIED THAT YOU HAVE WON THIS SCHOLARSHIP
TO INVITE ANY STUDENT OR PARENT TO THE RECOGNITION EVENT.
(ASAP AFTER MAY 2, 2025 SUBMISSION DEADLINE)

2025
OCEAN COUNTY MAYORS' ASSOCIATION
* **WILLIAM W. CURTIS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**
(Health Sciences Interest)

STUDENTS MUST HAVE A FAMILY MEMBER PRESENT OR PAST THAT IS/WAS AN ELECTED OFFICIAL

Due by May 2, 2025

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

SOCIAL SECURITY # : _____

NAMES OF TWO PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHO WOULD ATTEND **IF YOU ARE SELECTED:**

(Do NOT list below if they would not attend):

Parent/Guardian 1 who would attend: _____ Parent/Guardian 2 who would attend _____

PARENT PHONE # _____ CELL NUMBER – if different: _____

HIGH SCHOOL NAME: _____

HS TELEPHONE #: _____ GUIDANCE COUNSELOR: _____

1. SCHOOL ACTIVITIES: (Band, Athletics, Clubs, etc.): _____

2. COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES: (Scouts, Church Groups, Volunteers, etc.): _____

3. NAME/TITLE OF FAMILY MEMBER WHO IS PRESENT/PAST OFFICIAL and POSITION HELD:

4. **PLEASE ATTACH A COPY OF YOUR HIGH SCHOOL TRANSCRIPT AND A RECENT PHOTOGRAPH OF YOURSELF (GRADUATION PHOTO IS PREFERRED – WILL BE PUBLISHED IN EVENT PROGRAM).**

5. PRINCIPAL'S RECOMMENDATION: _____

6. **ESSAY: Discuss, in detail, your interest in the Health Sciences field.** This could mean what you will be studying, or how it is an interest in your life. **PLEASE ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET(S).**

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*** ARTHUR P. PETRACCO SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION**
(Student Furthering Their Education)
STUDENTS MUST HAVE A FAMILY MEMBER PRESENT OR PAST THAT IS/WAS AN ELECTED OFFICIAL
Due by May 2, 2025

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

SOCIAL SECURITY # : _____

NAMES OF TWO PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHO WOULD ATTEND **IF YOU ARE SELECTED:**

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Parent/Guardian 1 who would attend: _____ Parent/Guardian 2 who would attend _____

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5. ESSAY: Discuss, in detail, your interest in furthering your education. PLEASE ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET(S).

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* DAVID M. SIDDONS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION
(Political Science Interest)
STUDENTS MUST HAVE A FAMILY MEMBER PRESENT OR PAST THAT IS/WAS AN ELECTED OFFICIAL
Due by May 2, 2025

STUDENT'S NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

SOCIAL SECURITY # : _____

NAMES OF TWO PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHO WOULD ATTEND **IF YOU ARE SELECTED:** (DON'T list if not attending.)

Parent/Guardian 1 who would attend: _____ Parent/Guardian 2 who would attend _____

PARENT PHONE # _____ CELL NUMBER – if different: _____

HIGH SCHOOL NAME: _____

HS TELEPHONE #: _____ GUIDANCE COUNSELOR: _____

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