

ESSEX SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2026

INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

Eligibility: Please note deadline is April 17, 2026
Requirements: are a completed application, essay, transcript, and resume
Electronic submissions are permitted - email to info@essexmalions.com
Confirm receipt by sending an email to lynchmarkw@comcast.net

NOTE: Your electronic submission is not complete until you have received confirmation from a member of the Essex Lions Club via email

Applicants must be accepted at a 4-year or 2-year college, technical institute, school of nursing, post graduate school or other educational program beyond high school by May 1st and be a current resident of the Town of Essex. Other restrictions may apply - please see each individual scholarship for qualifications.

Electronic submissions are permitted (see above) if mailing Please return this application to:

Essex Lions Club
PO Box 79
Essex, MA 01929
No later than April 17, 2026

YOU MUST WRITE IN BLACK INK OR EDIT AND PRINT THE APPLICATION IF COMPLETED VIA COMPUTER. PLEASE ANSWER EACH QUESTION ON THE APPLICATION FORM COMPLETELY AND ACCURATELY IN THE SPACE PROVIDED (unless otherwise noted)

PERSONAL DATA

Name of Student _____
Last First Middle D.O.B.

Home address _____
Street City Zip

Telephone number(s) _____
Home phone

Cell phone

Email

How long have you been a resident of Essex? _____

Name of parent(s) _____

Applicant is a descendant of a Veteran? Yes: _____ No: _____

Applicant is a descendant of an Essex Veteran? Yes: _____ No: _____

Name of Veteran(s) and relationship to the applicant:

Parent/Guardian Certification:

I/We have checked this form for omissions and errors. To the best of my/our knowledge the information is complete and correct. I give permission for this information to be released to all appropriate scholarship committee members.

Signature _____ Date _____

Relationship to student _____

Remember, applications must be postmarked or submitted electronically by Friday April 17, 2026 at midnight.

Checklist:

- Copy of your official high school transcript
- Copy of your college essay
- Copy of your (one page) resume - including community service performed
- Completed copy of your application (pages 1 thru 5)
- Parent or guardian signature on your application.

Postmarked no later than April 17, 2026

1. Indicate the college or school you will attend (if undecided, list top 2 choices)

2. What course of study or major do you plan to pursue?

3. List employment during school and summer for the past three years.

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4. **YOU MUST ATTACH A ONE PAGE RESUME THAT OUTLINES THE FOLLOWING AREAS:** Your activities, interests, talents, awards, office(s) held in and out of school that you believe have contributed to your development. Where appropriate, use the numbers 9, 10, 11, 12 to indicate freshman year, sophomore year, etc.

5. Please make a statement regarding your career and educational goals and any information regarding yourself that you think will help the Scholarship Committee evaluate your application. Include something about your academic achievement, your service to your community and something that will provide the committee with insight into your character.

List other siblings by age only:

_____ age _____ age _____ age
_____ age _____ age _____ age

FINANCIALS:

Estimated cost of your college/school: room, board, tuition, books, transportation and other expenses for the **upcoming** academic year: \$_____

Please indicate the financial aid package awarded by the college you will attend or the best package of your top choices if a final decision hasn't been made. **IF YOU DO NOT PROVIDE THIS INFORMATION IT MAY EXCLUDE YOUR CONSIDERATION FOR NEED-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS.**

Name of college: _____

\$_____	\$_____	\$_____	\$_____
STUDENT LOAN	WORK STUDY	GRANTS/ SCHOLARSHIPS	FAMILY PORTION

Name of college: _____

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Note: A parent, guardian, or applicant must complete this statement.

Financial need is an important criterion for most of these scholarships. Please make any comments about your financial status that may help the committee in making its decisions. It is important to be as clear and complete as possible. Feel free to attach a more detailed letter.

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Please see the following pages for descriptions and qualifying criteria of the Essex Community Scholarships. You will be considered for any and all scholarships where your application demonstrates you meet the requirements. The Essex Scholarship Committee reserves the right to determine eligibility based on the review of completed applications.
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SCHOLARSHIP DESCRIPTIONS

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ESSEX VETERANS OF WWII MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded by the Essex Veterans of WWII upon recommendation by the Veterans Scholarship Committee. The applicant plans to attend, or does attend an accredited college, university, technical or trade school for either a two or four year degree, including post graduate education. The applicant has shown an interest, desire and commitment to benefit the Essex community. Any student may apply but first preference will be given to a direct descendent of an Essex Veteran of any war or conflict. The applicant must be a resident of Essex at the time of graduation from high school and has been a resident for at least one year before graduation.

C. NELSON HARDY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded to any graduating Essex senior who has lived in Essex for at least four years prior to graduation. The award is given on the basis of financial need, character and academic achievement.

RAMSDEN ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

This scholarship is awarded to graduating Essex seniors who are also graduates of the Essex Elementary and Middle School and are enrolling in at least a two-year program of study. The scholarship is awarded on the basis of academic achievement, citizenship and service.

SARAH LUFKIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded to a graduating Essex senior who is pursuing a career in a field that affects children. The award will be based on character and an established commitment to children. Financial need may be considered but is not a necessary criterion for selection. This scholarship will be awarded in January.

ESSEX LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

The applicant must be an Essex resident. In the spirit of the Lions' commitment to provide service to the community, write a single page description outlining examples of your past and present contributions to your community. Examples of community service include work you've done for your school, church, Boy/Girl Scouts, etc.

S. ARTHUR MEARS SCHOLARSHIP

The applicant must be an Essex resident, must be able to demonstrate through past deeds in the community a strong commitment to good citizenship and have financial need. Please provide specific examples of your past and present work within the community.

SAMUEL ARTHUR AND JEANNIE MEARS SCHOLARSHIP

The applicant must be an Essex resident, must be able to demonstrate through past deeds in the community a strong commitment to good citizenship and have financial need. Please provide specific examples of your past and present work within the community.

L DEXTER WOODMAN SCHOLARSHIP

The applicant for this additional scholarship from the L. Dexter Woodman Scholarship fund must be a senior whose legal residence is Essex. The award is based on personal character, service to school and community and scholarship.