

FOR GUIDANCE OFFICE USE ONLY	
DATE RECEIVED:	APPLICANT CODE:

To: CRHS Seniors  
 From: Guidance and Counseling Office  
 Re: CRHS Scholarship Fund Application

The Scholarship Award Committee reviews each application very carefully and gives strong consideration to content, completeness, and mechanics (including spelling and grammar). The Scholarship Committee reserves the right to disqualify applicants if any portion of the application is incomplete and/or if the applicant fails to meet the eligibility requirements.

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***THE DETERMINATION OF AWARDS IS BASED ON NEED,  
 SCHOLARSHIP, AND PERSONAL COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITY.***

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Here are a few suggestions to help you and your parents complete the application.

1. Read the application carefully before you write anything. Each question has a field that can be filled in. Watch the video for direction clarification: [directions](#).
2. Please leave out employers' and parents' names in question #2.
3. The last page will be detached from your application before it is submitted to the Committee. All applications are considered anonymously. Several other community organizations giving scholarships do require identity, however. Your application will be referred to them, and your name supplied if you have signed on the last page.
4. Questions 15, 16 and 18 are your opportunity to describe yourself to the Committee. Give full descriptions where appropriate; add details that may be helpful to the Committee as it makes its decision. **THIS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT.**
5. The information in Question 6 will be used to determine whether you qualify for scholarships with specific criteria.
6. When your application is complete, please print, make sure you and your parents both sign the certification on the final page and bring it to the CRHS Guidance office. This front page will be date-stamped and returned to you as a receipt.
7. A partial list of awards and their criteria is available on the CRHS Guidance website and the Naviance website. This list is subject to change, including the addition or removal of specific awards and scholarships.
8. For technical questions about the application or the process, please email the committee at [crhsscholarshipfund@gmail.com](mailto:crhsscholarshipfund@gmail.com).
9. The deadline for submitting scholarship applications is: **Friday, March 26, 2021 by 2 PM. Absolutely, no exceptions.**

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## COGINCHAUG REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP FUND, INC.

Please answer all questions.

1. Number of dependent children in the family (living at home, including yourself):

Number in post-secondary education (excluding yourself):

2. Family employment (indicate type of work - not name of employer - and whether full or part-time)

	Type of Work (i.e. 'secretary' or 'electrician')	Full-Time	Part-Time
Father		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mother		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. Where do you plan to continue your education?

- 4 year college or university
- 2 year college
- trade school
- other: \_\_\_\_\_

4. What do you plan to major in?

5. Have you applied to a college, university or training school?

If so, have you been accepted yet?

6. Please provide the following personal information to qualify for scholarships with specific criteria: (Check all that apply)

- female
- male

- Middlefield resident
- Durham resident

**RSD 13 schools attended:**

- Lyman
- Brewster/Korn
- Memorial
- Strong

**I am a member of (check all that apply):**

- band
- jazz band
- choir
- chamber choir
- show choir
- A cappella

**7. I am a member of (check all that apply):**

- DECA
- National Honor Society
- Spanish Honor Society
- French Honor Society
- Junior Classical League (JCL)
- EDGE
- Envirothon
- ECO
- High School Quiz Bowl
- School Council
- HERO
- Model UN
- Helping Hands
- Devil's Advocate
- Ocean Bowl
- Best Buds
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Please feel free to elaborate on any of your commitments above or include any not listed. An explanation of many is included for readers, attached at the end of this application, you may comment on any if you feel more explanation is needed.

8. Please list, in order of their importance, and give a brief description of any *community/volunteer activities*.

Please list, in order of their importance, and give a brief description of any *hobbies and interests*.

9. Please list any *awards received in high school* - include any necessary explanations.

10. List any paid work experience you have had and briefly describe your responsibilities.

<b>Employer</b>	<b>Hours/week</b>	<b>Description</b>

11. **I am a member of (check all that apply):**

- soccer
- football
- cheerleading
- cross country
- volleyball
- basketball
- ice hockey
- swimming
- gymnastics
- indoor track
- softball
- baseball
- outdoor track
- golf
- tennis\* (see *a* below)

Please share if you have been or are a captain and any awards given.

- a.* If you are a **tennis** player, *What did being on the CRHS tennis team mean to you?*

12. In the chart below, please list your top three choices for schools which you have applied (name & location). Please list grants, loans and scholarships for which you have applied and/or been awarded. This includes scholarship and tuition reductions offered through the schools which you have applied, as well as monies available through the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), National Direct Student Loan (NDSL), Pell Grant (BEOG), Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (SEOG), and/or College Work/Study Program (CWSP).

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School Name→						
Location→						
	Amt Applied For	Amt Received	Amt Applied For	Amt Received	Amt Applied For	Amt Received
Grants						
Loans						
Scholarships						
Other						
<b>Total</b>						

13. Please indicate your *estimated* expenses for each of your choices above for the next academic year. This information can be found on most college websites.

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School Name→				
Tuition/Fees				
Books, equipment, etc.				
Room and Board				
Travel expenses (if commuting)				
Other (explain below)				
<b>Total Expenses</b>				

14. Estimated Financial Need (Total estimated expenses minus grants, scholarships, and loans. You must separately calculate your award or anticipated financial aid for each school to which you are applying and enter the figure in the second column.) Use questions 12 & 13 for information.

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School Name	Estimated Expenses		Grants, Scholarships and Loans Awarded for this Institution		Estimated Financial Need
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		-		=	
		-		=	

15. Add any personal information that may help the Committee in making its decision. We encourage you to use additional pages if needed.
16. Please list any community involvement, for example, CBC, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Little League, Falcons, etc).
15. Please list any suggestions to make this application more efficient in the future.
18. **Essay:** Please write a short essay covering the following points: **tell us about yourself, your career goals, and any special interests.** Spend time answering these points thoughtfully.

THIS SECTION WILL BE GIVEN CAREFUL CONSIDERATION BY THE COMMITTEE, including neatness, grammar, spelling and content. You may wish to write and edit your essay in a separate document before pasting it into the space below.

**Certification**

**Print a copy of the completed application. The student and parents/guardians should sign on the line below. Bring the signed copy to the CRHS Guidance office where it will be date-stamped and the front page will be returned to you as a receipt. The deadline is March 26, 2021 at 2 PM.**

The Coginchaug Regional High School Scholarship Fund chooses its recipients in a way that assures anonymity during the selection process. However, other organizations may require the names of applicants if they review the applications. Please indicate below whether you give permission for other Middlefield and Durham organizations who wish to distribute scholarships to review your application.

- I give permission for other Middlefield and Durham organizations to review my application.
  
- I give permission for the Guidance and Counseling Office at Coginchaug Regional High School to release my academic transcript to the CRHS Scholarship Fund, Inc.
  
- I hereby certify that the information contained herein is correct to the best of my knowledge.

Full name of applicant.

Full name of (step) mother or guardian of student.

Full name of (step) father or guardian of the student.

**Student Social Security Number** (for tax reasons)

Mailing Address Line 1:

Mailing Address Line 2:

Town:

Zip:

Phone Number (home)

Phone Number (secondary or cell)

**Student Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Art Club** is open to any student who is interested in exploring new art materials, projects as well as assisting in exhibiting art around CRHS and the community. Art club

begins in September and we meet each week through June. Art Club members must commit to joining the club for the entire year, although may be excused for practice and games/meets, ect. if they choose to play a school sport

**Best Buds** Program at CRHS matches students with their peers in an effort to promote friendships. The group provides support and social role modeling for a variety of students, including those with special needs. The group plans monthly after school activities and field trips such as holiday parties, bowling trips, mall trips, Lyman Orchard trips, Yard Goats games, and much more. It's a great way to have fun and make new friends!!

**Bicycle Club**: Coginchaug Bicycle Club will promote bicycle riding for sport, fitness, recreation and transportation. Safe riding skills and basic maintenance will be emphasized.

**CRHS Book Club**: This club aims to promote a culture of reading and positive discussion among young adults. Students choose high interest novels, set meeting times, and come together to discuss literature, ideas, and issues. Membership is open to all students, and students can join at any point in the year.

**DECA** is a business club that prepares emerging leaders and entrepreneurs for careers in marketing, finance, hospitality and management. DECA teaches students to become academically prepared, community oriented, professionally responsible, experienced leaders.

**ECO** is an environmental service club that meets monthly to organize different projects that improve the environment. We do gardening around the school, plan Earth Day projects, sponsor the Hunger Awareness Banquet, attend the Banff Film Festival, help run the composting recycling projects at the Durham Fair, sponsor Bike-to-School days, sell fair trade coffee & chocolate and complete other environmental projects. The club is open to all students, including athletes who may have trouble attending during their seasons.

**EDGE** Group is a group of CRHS Students interested in making a difference in the community. The group focuses on spreading awareness of the dangers of drug and alcohol use, the importance of internet and dating safety and the facts about how to be a safe driver.

**Envirothon** is an academic competition team that trains in the fields of Forestry, Soils, Wildlife, Aquatics, and a Current Issue. The team studies and trains during the course of the year and attends up to four Saturday workshops. The field competition is in May and the students get to collaborate on the test as a group.

**French Honor Society** is an academic club with a service-oriented mission whose focus is on francophone culture. To merit possible entry into FHS, the minimum year-long averages are: French II - 93%, French III - 91% and French IV – 89%. These required averages do not ensure FHS induction, but are a key element. FHS members do extensive volunteer work to raise money to support a Haitian orphan and her orphanage. The FHS also organizes many activities and fundraisers throughout the year including: Lyman’s Corn Maze, Moustache Monday, croissant sales, egg hunt, and the Annual Tri-lingual Pétanque match.

**Gaming Club** group meets in library one day a week and compete against each other in gaming competitions.

**HERO** The mission of the HERO (Helping Educate Regarding Orientation) is to create an inclusive community that promotes equality, a non-judgmental, space for LGBTQ + and allies, and provides education and awareness for intersectional issues.

**Helping Hands** The purpose of the Helping Hands Club is to provide community service outreach to the Durham and Middlefield communities as well as communities throughout Connecticut. This is a community service type of club; we partner with the DMYFS. Ultimately we want to provide students with opportunities to serve our community, learning to give back, gaining knowledge, and develop skills in community outreach which becomes useful in determining their educational and/or vocational careers and enables them to be active participants within the community. Membership is open and newcomers are always welcome. There are no specific requirements.

**High School Quiz Bowl**- If you like Jeopardy, Cash Cab and random knowledge, this is the club for you. The "varsity sport of the mind" meets 1x per week with monthly matches against other Shoreline schools.

**Model UN** is an international organization that allows students to work with others to take a long hard look at finding solutions to some of our most complex international problems. The Coginchaug chapter sends delegations of students to conferences put on by nearby colleges; there our delegates take on specific roles, negotiating on mock UN committees with high school students from all over the world. It's a great club for students who enjoy debate, research, and role-playing.

**Newspaper Club** contributes to Coginchaug’s print and online newspaper, The Devil’s Advocate. Students meet bi-monthly as a team as well as individually with the adviser to discuss story ideas, develop and publish articles, and learn new aspects of journalism. Club members must be willing to cover events outside of school hours and must consistently meet deadlines. Occasional field trip opportunities are available. The club is open to all grades, and new members are always welcome.

**Ocean Bowl** It's mission is to enrich science teaching and learning across the United States through a high profile national competition that increases high school students' knowledge of the oceans and enhances public understanding and stewardship of the oceans. Open to grades 9 – 12.

**Scholarship Committee** Student members work the Banana Booth at the Durham Fair and solicit donations from local businesses for the annual Scholarship Ball Silent Auction. Student meetings are run by the adviser in order to organize fair business, donations and the fundraisers.

**School Council** This club is open to all who wish to become involved in CRHS and the Durham/Middlefield community. Some major events are our Spirit Week/Pep Rally in the fall and our annual blood drive in the spring, organizing hat days, assemblies and other school wide events.

**The Ski club** meets once a week during the ski season. We run a weekly program (with Strong) to Powder Ridge. We have run day and overnight trips throughout New England. We have travelled as far west as Utah and Colorado. The club is open to any student grades 9-12.

**Spanish Honor Society** is a service-oriented honor society made up of Juniors and Seniors who take Spanish in a level 3 class or higher who have shown academic success during their first two years of Spanish study. The group raises money to support students in Mexico, Honduras and the Dominican Republic, as well as organizing and running the annual Fajita /Fiesta each May.