

How to Apply for Scholarships

Ready to apply for scholarships? **ALL seniors are encouraged to apply to scholarships!** Here is a list of where to find local scholarships and the steps on how to apply:

Dollars for Scholars (Due May 1st)

- To access Dollars for Scholars Scholarships, go to www.beverly.dollarsforscholars.org and create an account (username and password).
- Dollars for Scholars is similar to the Common App in that you fill out all of your information and can apply for 40+ scholarships with the same application. *NOTE:* Some scholarships will require additional essays.
- **Recommendations:** In the Dollars for Scholars portal, you can request recommendations from teachers or counselors. To request a recommendation, enter the teacher/counselor's name, email address and the high school phone number (978-921-6132).
- **Transcript Requests:** All transcript requests should be directed to: Sharon Dowdell, sdowdell@beverlyschools.org, 978-921-6231

The image shows two screenshots of the Dollars for Scholars application interface. The top screenshot is titled "Reference Request" and contains the following text: "Beverly Dollars for Scholars requests you provide references. Scholarships require the submission of a recommendation. Make sure you follow any instructions provided by your local Dollars for Scholars affiliate. Please enter the name and contact information of your selected reference. Once you are finished, press the 'Request Recommendation' button to request a recommendation be completed." Below this text, it says "Recommendation from Reference: Not started" and there is a green "+ Add Reference Information" button. The form fields include: Reference First Name, Reference Last Name, Reference Phone Number, Reference Email Address, Reference Relationship (a dropdown menu), and Reference Relationship If Other. At the bottom are "Save and Request Recommendation" and "Cancel" buttons. The bottom screenshot is titled "Transcript Request" and contains the following text: "Beverly Dollars for Scholars request(s) you provide transcripts. Scholarships require the submission of a school transcript or at least verification by a school official. For High School transcripts, enter the name and contact information of the school official who verifies your academic record, such as a guidance counselor or registrar. Once you are finished, press the 'Request Transcript Information' button to request a transcript." Below this text, it says "Transcript Information from school official: Not started" and there is a green "+ Add School Official Information" button. The form fields include: School Official First Name, School Official Last Name, School Official Email Address, and School Official Phone Number. At the bottom are "Save and Request Transcript Information" and "Cancel" buttons.

"Standard Application" Scholarships

- Scholarship that require the "Standard Application" can be found on Naviance with the word "STANDARD" (in all capital letters) in front of the scholarship name. To find scholarships in Naviance, go to: "Colleges" > "Scholarship & Money" > "Scholarship List"
- The "Standard Application" is one downloadable form that can be used for multiple scholarships. This form can be found in Naviance when you click on any of the "Standard" scholarships listed. You will want to complete this application once, and then make a photocopy for each scholarship that requires it.
- The completed form is either passed into Ms. Dowdell (Guidance Secretary) or mailed directly to the scholarship committee, as described in the directions. *NOTE:* Most "Standard Application" Scholarships are due on May 1, unless otherwise noted.

Other Scholarships

- You can find many great local, state and national scholarships at these websites:
 - **Naviance:** To find scholarships in Naviance, go to: "Colleges" > "Scholarship & Money" > "Scholarship List". All local scholarships will have the word "LOCAL" (in all capital letters) in front of the scholarship name.
 - www.fastweb.com
 - www.goingmerry.com

Still have questions?
Ask your guidance
counselor!