

County Leitrim Society Scholarship Fund Committee
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Dear Member,

The Scholarship Fund Committee of the County Leitrim Society of New York is already preparing for the 2026 Scholarship awards. This will be our **55th** year to make award presentations to children of paid up members.

To be eligible for the 2026 Scholarships, applicants must be a resident of the U.S. and a son or daughter of a paid up member for 2024, 2025 and 2026, (dues must be paid by April 15, 2026) and be attending Private Grammar School, Private High School or College.

The Committee will award the following scholarships:

- Two (2) Private Elementary/Grammar School Awards in the amount of \$500 each - **one donated by The Detective Barney Ferguson Emerald Legacy Fund in memory of Barney Ferguson), the other donated by Pat and Pidgie Murray in memory of their grand-daughter, Aisling Cooke.**
- Two (2) Private High School Awards in the amount of \$500 each - **one donated by The Dolan Family in memory of Larry Dolan, the other donated by Pat Murray in memory of his wife Pidgie**
- Two (2) Private High School Awards in the amount of \$1,000 each, one known as The Richard Reynolds Award
- Two (2) College Awards in the amount of \$1,000 each
- One (1) College Award in the amount of \$2,000. **Written essay (225 words minimum) required to apply for this award – “Apart from family, what is the first thing that pops into your head when you think of Ireland” ? (Donated by the McKeon Family in memory of Barney and Olive McKeon).** One (1) College Award in the amount of \$1000 **donated by The Brady Family, in memory of Helen Brady.**

Please see **Rules & Regulations attached** for complete application details.

Scholarships are presented annually at our Scholarship Fund Mass/Dance which will take place in November. College Scholarships are awarded at Dance but distributed upon presentation of a Bursar’s receipt for the first semester.

In order to receive the Scholarship award, a recipient of a scholarship and /or such recipient’s parent/legal guardian or other designee must attend this Dance in November where the awards will be presented.

Please complete and return the Scholarship Application to: Chairperson, Bernadette Dunleavy at the address above on or before April 15, 2026. Winners will be drawn at the May 2026 Meeting.

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Scholarship Application 2026-2027 School Year

() Private Elementary/Grammar School () Private High School () College () College Essay

Name _____ Age _____ Grade in Sept. 2026 _____

School Name _____ Member Name _____

School Address _____

Member Address _____

School Telephone _____ Member Telephone _____

Applicant Signature _____ Membership Card () 2024 () 2025 () 2026

Date _____ Eligibility Verified by Chairperson _____

APPLICATION MUST BE POSTMARKED, OR RECEIVED IN HAND, BY APRIL 15, 2026