

Thomas Edison High School – Eligible Scholarships

Each year, the Community Foundation of Elmira-Corning and the Finger Lakes give out over 115 scholarships to local students. Below are the detailed scholarship descriptions of those available specific to **Thomas Edison High School Students**. Please see our website www.communityfund.org for all available scholarships.

General Scholarship – Due February 15, 2018

*Submitting an application to the General Scholarship is one application for over 25 scholarships. **Thomas Edison High School Students are eligible for at least 16 of these scholarships.** Below are the names of the scholarships Edison High School Students may be eligible for. There is no need to specify which scholarship you are applying for using this application. Please see the detailed descriptions of these scholarships on our website under the link: [“General Scholarship Descriptions.”](#)*

A Hope 4 Lyme Scholarship -Amount: 2 at \$500 each

Bertram L. Newman Memorial Scholarship Amount \$1200

Betty O’Connor Memorial/Youth Bowling Amount \$500

Chemung Canal Trust Company Scholarship Amount \$8000

Daniel Driscoll Scholarship Amount \$1000

Danny VanTassel Memorial Scholarship Amount \$400

George Douglas/LPGA Corning Classic Scholarship Amount \$5400

Harriet I. Wixon Memorial Scholarship Amount \$4000

Harvey & Celia Hutchinson Scholarship Amount \$3900

King-Rockwell Scholarship – Amount \$1000

Margaret A. Drake Scholarship Amount \$5350

Mikkelsen Memorial Scholarship Amount \$8000

McGuire Memorial Scholarship Amount \$450

Stuart Komer Family Student Aid Award Amount \$2350 (may be divided among more than one recipient)

West Elmira Fire Department Scholarship Amount \$500

William M. Cooper Scholarship Amount \$6200

Separate Applications:

*Below are scholarships that require their own applications and are available online. *Reminder, there are more scholarships available on our website.*

Because the scholarships have varying eligibilities, we have tried to simplify your scholarship search by first including a short-hand list of special interest scholarships and eligibilities. Feel free to use this list to direct you to certain scholarships but please then read the full descriptions for each scholarship as it will include more information for eligibility.

Carolyn Matthews – recommendation from guidance

Daniel Dobson Memorial – employee of Cameron manufacturing

Evans Roofing – priority to employees and immediate families and its subsidiaries

Jerry Nykiel – intention of studying business

Julie and Steve Albertalli – interested in fields of education or government service

Kappa – interest in making a difference

Michael James Reid – GPA of 82 or higher

Patricia Jovanelli Wigsten – good student

Polly Sanders – BOCES

Robert and Sharon Petrillose Memorial Scholarship – accepted into Cornell University's School of Hotel Administration or Cornell University

Robert G. Zazzara Music Scholarship – passionate about and plans to study music

Todd Thomas Music Education – music interest

Tuffee J. Yunis – community involvement, looking to attend college in the future

Carolyn Matthews Memorial Scholarship – Due February 15

Amount \$1250

The Carolyn Matthews Memorial Scholarship is a scholarship awarded to a student based on his or her involvement with school and community service activities, character and academic record.

- Students must be **nominated by school guidance counselors from the Twin Tiers** where the Star Gazette is distributed with letter included with application– **ONE NOMINEE PER SCHOOL.**
- Nominees should be students who might not be the top scholar in the senior class but who have made a difference in their school, family and community.

Daniel Dobson Memorial Scholarship – Due February 15

Amount \$2650

- **Employees of Cameron Manufacturing and their family members.**
- Posses the desire, dedication, and interest in education.
- Fields of engineering and the sciences.
- Demonstrate financial need.

Evans Roofing Company – Due February 15

Amount \$5550

- **Priority to employees and their immediate families and its subsidiaries.** High School Senior or College student.
- Not necessarily highest GPA or rank
- Two or four year institution.
- One-year award.

Jerry Nykiel Scholarship – Due February 27

Amount \$2500

This scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior of one of the following school districts: **Corning-Painted Post, Horseheads, Elmira, or Elmira Heights.** The student should plan to attend a four-year institution of higher learning with the intention of earning a degree in the field of business. Preference will be given to a student planning on attending Niagara University, University of Pennsylvania, or John Hopkins University.

Criteria for Award:

- Candidate should demonstrate intellectual aptitude evidence through a GPA of 84 or above.
- Candidate must demonstrate outstanding involvement in extracurricular activities and community affairs. They should also possess a strong sense of personal integrity and demonstrate financial need.
- Recipients of the scholarship will be required to send a note/card to the Foundation on an annual basis letting them know how they are doing in college.

The Julie and Steve Albertalli Scholarship – Due February 27

Amount \$2500

This scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior from **Corning-Painted Post High School, Elmira, Edison, Horseheads, and Notre Dame.** The candidate selected for this award should have demonstrated exceptional perseverance in overcoming significant obstacles in his or her life to achieve a positive trend and good outcomes. Class standing is less of a factor than improvement in grades and direction of the student. Candidates should be interested in the fields of education or government service with the objective of “making a difference.”

Criteria for Award:

- A minimum of 3 recommendations which discuss the student’s effort level, improvement, and community service.
- Financial need.
- Possess the highest standards of ethics and values and a very caring attitude with actions being demonstrated indicating high priorities for community and school service.
- An essay describing how he or she has positively affected their community and expectations for similar and enhanced achievements in the future.

Kappa Men of Corning-Elmira Alumni Scholarship – Due March 7

Amount Varies

The Kappa Men Scholarship shall be awarded to a graduating senior from the following school districts: Bath, Corning-Painted Post, Odessa-Montour, Spencer-VanEtten, Watkins Glen, Owego, Waverly, Elmira, Elmira Heights, and Horseheads, New York.

- Demonstrate desire, interest, and leadership
- Financial need
- **Preference will be given to people of color, with a preference for African American men.**

Michael James Reid Memorial Scholarship – Due March 7

Amount \$450

The Michael James Reid Memorial Scholarship is a one-year award given to a student who resides in Elmira, New York (14901, 14902, 14904, or 14905).

- The candidate must have a high school GPA of 82 or higher.
- Evidence of involvement in extra-curricular activities.

Patricia Jovanelli Wigsten Scholarship – Due February 15

Amount \$500

This scholarship shall be awarded to a graduating senior from **Edison High School** in Elmira Heights, NY that plans on attending an institution of higher learning. This award is for one year in the amount of \$500.

- A hard working and diligent student though not one of the highest achieving academically or athletically
- Considered a friendly and helpful member of the Edison High School community
- Some level of financial need

Polly Sanders Educational Fund – Due February 27

Amount \$500

This scholarship will be given to a **student at BOCES** that plans on attending college or a trade school. Must be a Chemung County resident.

Robert and Sharon Petrillose Memorial Scholarship – Due February 27

Amount \$1000

This scholarship is to recognize a graduation student from **Elmira, Corning or the Finger Lakes area of New York accepted to Cornell University's School of Hotel Administration**. The student shall be selected based upon academic achievement, work ethic and interest in food and beverage industry. **In the event that no local students have been accepted into Cornell University's School of Hotel Administration, the selection committee can choose a local student accepted to Cornell University.**

The Robert G. Zazzara Music Scholarship Fund – Due February 15

Amount TBD

- **Resident of the greater Elmira Heights Community**
- Awarded to a student passionate about music and plans to continue studying music in college.

Todd Thomas Music Scholarship – Due March 29

Amount \$1000

The Todd Thomas Music Scholarship is awarded to an outstanding graduating senior living in and/or attending school in **Chemung County**. This award will be based primarily upon a demonstrated audition, however, academic merit and need will also be considered. The recipient will additionally be awarded a performance opportunity with Todd Thomas within 12 months receipt of the award.

- Applicant must send an audition video via YouTube. Please see application for details.

Tuffee J. Yunis Scholarship – Due March 1

Amount \$4350

The Tuffee J. Yunis Scholarship is awarded to an **Elmira High School, Edison High School, Corning-Painted Post, Notre Dame, or Horseheads High School** graduating senior who plans to attend a two or a four-year college.

- Demonstrate strong work ethic, community involvement, and financial need.
 - A solid scholastic record is required, but may not necessarily possess the highest average grades.
 - Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.
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The following scholarships are only available by paper applications because of the special needs of the scholarship requirements. Please check with your guidance counselor or contact the Foundation for any of the following applications:

Ernie Davis Scholarship – Due April 11

Amount up to \$16000

The Ernie Davis Scholarship is a scholarship awarded to a high school senior who exhibits qualities of integrity, leadership, courage and humility, which were exemplified by Ernie Davis during his life. The student must be graduating from an accredited high school in Chemung County, or a high school in Corning, New York. In addition to the traditional scholarship application, references, and financial information, candidates will be required to develop creative projects that “spread the word” about Ernie Davis and his tremendous contributions to the Southern Tier.

- Applicant must have an 80 or above GPA and be approved by their guidance counselor before applying. **Please let your counselor know that you are interested in the scholarship and he/she will give us your name and number for more information to be sent to you.**

In addition, the committee will award a Marty Harrigan Scholarship to a nominee who effectively “spreads the word.”

Twin Tiers Youth for Christ Scholarship – Due March 7

Amount \$4000 (1 male and 1 female)

The candidate must be a **Christian whose high school is located in or they have been a resident of Chemung County or an adjacent county for over six months.** The student must be enrolled or will be enrolled in an accredited four-year college or university and must obtain a recommendation from a pastor of a “Christian Church”. Candidate must complete the Twin Tiers Youth for Christ Scholarship Application.

If you have any questions, please contact Katie McConville at cmm@communityfund.org or 607-739-3900.