

# **Westbrook High School**

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## **Local Scholarship Booklet**

**Class of 2020**

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# Matty T. Memorial Scholarship

*A single, one-time award of \$500*

## **Purpose**

This scholarship was created from funds raised in memory of WHS Class of 2007 graduate Matthew Trasacco. The purpose of this scholarship is to provide assistance to students who have demonstrated the academic ability, but are in need of financial assistance to continue their education as an English major (journalism, literature, education, etc. are included).

## **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

*In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined in "Instructions for High School Seniors Applying for Westbrook Local Scholarships":*

- Must have worked during the summer, weekends, etc. that demonstrate his/her desire and resourcefulness in helping fund his/her education.
- Demonstrate a need for financial assistance.
- Must have improved performance in English and Communication skills to such a degree as to be noticeably apparent to teachers involved. (There is no requirement that the student earn above a specific grade in English.)
- Essay must describe work experiences, community involvement and how you plan to participate in helping to finance your future education.
- Gary and Natalie Trasacco will meet with the Westbrook Local Scholarships Selection Committee to choose the recipient.

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# Pumpkin Patch Child Care and Nursery School

*A single, one-time award of \$250*

## **Purpose**

To financially assist a college bound graduating Westbrook High School Student.

## **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

*In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined in "Instructions for High School Seniors Applying for Westbrook Local Scholarships":*

- Must have attended Pumpkin Patch Child Care of Westbrook for at least one full year.
  - Provide an essay describing an event or events that impressed you or your parents while attending Pumpkin Patch Child Care.
  - Must demonstrate involvement in school and/or other community activities.
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# Gloria Palermo Scholarship

*A single, one-time award*

## **Purpose**

The purpose of this award is to assist a high school senior who intends to pursue an education in the medical or health related field.

## **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

*In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined in "Instructions for High School Seniors Applying for Westbrook Local Scholarships":*

- Candidates who have actively served with the Westbrook Ambulance Association are given priority.
  - Financial need - Each candidate must complete the attached Financial Statement
  - Academic standing will be considered.
  - The committee consists of an officer and member of the Board of Directors of the Westbrook Ambulance Association as well as a member of the Palermo family. No person shall serve on the committee who has a relative competing or undue interest in any of the candidates.
  - As necessary, the committee may confer with school or municipal officials in determining the eligibility of candidates. Decisions of the committee shall be final.
  - Westbrook residents attending area private schools are eligible.
  - Essay should include the reasons that he/she feels qualified for this scholarship.
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# Local Prevention Council Scholarship

*A single, one-time award of \$500*

## **Purpose**

The purpose of this scholarship is to assist the Local Prevention Council in the fight against substance abuse. The presentations are intended as teaching and awareness tools in the quest to assist Westbrook youth.

## **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

*In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined in "Instructions for High School Seniors Applying for Westbrook Local Scholarships":*

- Academic Ability is not a consideration.
  - The candidate must complete a media presentation\* describing how his/her life was/is affected by drugs, alcohol and/or tobacco. Include an explanation of his/her exposure to these substances via peer pressure, advertising, parental contact or other activities. How has he/she been able to succeed in his/her academic life despite these difficulties?
  - \*Any form of media will be considered in the selection process: written essay, photography, technology, art or music.
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### Lenny & Joe's Fish Tale Carousel Fund Scholarships 2020

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of this scholarship is to provide assistance to students who have demonstrated the academic ability, but are in need of financial assistance to continue with their education.

#### **Eligibility & Criteria**

Candidates for the **two** scholarships must meet the following requirements:

- Be a graduating senior of Westbrook High School
- Be furthering their education in an accredited school of higher education
- Have worked at jobs during the summer, weekends, etc. that demonstrates their desire and resourcefulness in helping fund their education.
- Demonstrate a need for financial assistance.
- Have been involved in school, community and other outside activities.

#### **Scholarship Board**

Members of the Westbrook High School Scholarship Committee will review all applications and choose the top **Four** candidates that they feel best meets our chosen criteria. Lenny & Joe's Fish Tale will then confer with the scholarship board to choose the 2 winners from the four candidates. We would appreciate if the committee would rank the candidates by their first, second, third and fourth choice.

#### **Procedures to Apply**

- The candidate must complete a "Local Scholarship Application".
- The candidate should write a short essay describing their work experiences, community involvement, and how they plan to participate in helping finance their future education.
- The candidate should provide an academic transcript.
- The candidate must be available for a personal interview if requested by the scholarship committee.

#### **Amount of Scholarship**

Two Scholarships will be awarded in 2020. The amount of each scholarship shall be \$1000.

#### **Deadline**

As established by Westbrook Guidance Department

#### **Payment Information**

Payment will be made after candidate has successfully completed their first semester of their continuing education. The recipient must provide a transcript of their first semester grades demonstrating their academic standing.



*A Joint Charity Project of the Madison & Westbrook Lenny & Joe's Fish Tale Restaurants*

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# Westbrook Music Boosters Scholarship

*Two, one-time awards of \$500 each*

## **Purpose**

Westbrook Music Boosters present this annual award to two Music Department graduating seniors in recognition of their participation in our Music Program.

## **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

*In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined in “Instructions for High School Seniors Applying for Westbrook Local Scholarships”:*

- Must be current members of the WHS Music Department (instrumental music or choral programs).
- Students need not be pursuing an education in music to be considered.
- Selection is based on the above eligibility and content of the essay.
- Westbrook Music Booster Scholarship Committee will vote on the winners; the decision of the committee is final.
- Essay must answer the following question: “What characteristic or trait have you developed as a result of participating in the WHS music program and how will you apply it in the future?”
- Presentation of the scholarships will take place at the last Music Department performance of the year. A formal acknowledgement of the scholarship will also be given at the Senior Awards Ceremony.

# Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc. Scholarship

## Sponsored by the Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc. Westbrook, CT

**Purpose** – The purpose of this scholarship is to encourage the children of members, retired members and eligible members of the Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc. in leadership and service through higher education.

### Eligibility –

- Candidate must be a resident of Westbrook and the child or grandchild of a member or retired member, in good standing of the Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc. Children of active Auxiliary members in good standing are also eligible. The candidate may be an active member, in good standing, of the Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc. Children and grandchildren of retired auxiliary members are not eligible.
- Candidate must be of good moral and ethical character.
- Candidate must be a member of the graduating senior class of his/her respective high school or be an active member of the Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc.
- Candidate must intend to pursue higher education through an institution of higher learning (i.e., a four year college, a junior college, a nursing school, etc.)
- Candidate must be a citizen of the United States.

**Scholarship Committee** – The Scholarship Committee will consist of a minimum of five (5) regular or retired members of the Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc. who will be appointed by the Chief. The Chief shall appoint one (1) member of the committee to act as chairman. The duties of the committee in selecting the recipient may include a consultation with the high school principal, vocational director, teachers and clergy, as they may deem necessary. Any member of the committee who has a relative in the graduating class or special interest in any particular candidate will automatically disqualify for that year.

**Basis for Selection** – The recipient of the scholarship shall be determined by consideration of the following basis in this order:

- A. Character, leadership, service
- B. Need for financial assistance
- C. Scholarship (grades)

### Procedure to Apply –

- A. Each applicant must apply to:  
Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc.  
Post Office Drawer 691  
Westbrook, Connecticut 06498-0691  
Not later than April 10  
in a **letter of application** stating his/her aims and purposes in seeking higher education OR  
**Westbrook High School students** must submit their applications to the school office not later than **April 10**.
- B. Each applicant must submit an up-to-date, signed copy of his/her school transcript.
- C. Candidates must state their relationship to the Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, whether they are the member, or which family member is a member.
- D. Each candidate can be called for a personal interview by the committee.
- E. The candidate must complete a 200-300 word essay that lists interest, ambitions, concerns, and/or specific plans for the future.
- F. Each candidate must complete the attached Financial Statement

**Procedure of Award** – The recipient will not be informed in advance of the decision of the committee and no public announcement will be made until the time of the formal presentation at the next monthly meeting of the Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc. This presentation will be made prior to the graduation exercise at the winner's respective school. An alternate and second alternate will be chosen but not announced, in case the principal recipient does not enter an institution of higher learning. The scholarship check shall be written directly to the school of the recipient, after the student is enrolled or in actual attendance. In case the student ceases to attend an institute of higher learning, the alternate will receive any refunds of money. In the event, there is no alternate chosen, all monies remaining will be returned to the Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc. If the student awarded the scholarship and the alternates do not go to an institution of higher learning in that year, in the following year the sum can be awarded at the discretion of the committee. All letters of application shall be filed in the Chief's office for the use of the committee only. The decision of the committee shall be final.

**Amount of Award** – The sum of \$3,000 will be awarded.

Note: The rules stated above are not to be changed, consolidated or modified in any way without the expressed written consent of the Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc. Any requests to make changes must be submitted in writing.

# Mark B. Holbrook Memorial Scholarship

Sponsored by the Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc. Westbrook, CT

**Purpose** – The purpose of this scholarship is to encourage the young men and women of the town of Westbrook in leadership and service through higher education.

#### Eligibility –

- o **Candidate must be a resident of Westbrook.**
- o Candidate must be of good moral and ethical character.
- o Candidate must be a member of the graduating senior class of his/her respective high school.
- o Candidate must intend to pursue higher education through an institution of higher learning: (i.e., a four year college, a junior college, a business college, a nursing school, etc.)
- o Candidate must be a citizen of the United States.

**Scholarship Committee** – The Scholarship Committee will consist of a minimum of five (5) regular or retired members of the Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc. who will be appointed by the Chief. The Chief shall appoint one (1) member of the committee to act as chairman. The duties of the committee in selecting the recipient may include a consultation with the high school principal, vocational director, teachers and clergy, as they may deem necessary. Any member of the committee who has a relative in the graduating class or special interest in any particular candidate will automatically disqualify for that year.

**Basis for Selection** – The recipient of the scholarship shall be determined by consideration of the following basis in this order:

- A. Character, leadership, service
- B. Need for financial assistance
- C. Scholarship (grades)

#### Procedure to Apply –

- A. Each applicant must apply to:  
Mark B. Holbrook Memorial Scholarship Committee  
c/o Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc.  
Post Office Drawer 691  
Westbrook, Connecticut 06498-0691  
Not later than April 10, in a letter of application stating his/her aims and purposes in seeking higher education OR

**Westbrook High School students** must submit their applications to the school office not later than **April 10**.

- B. Each applicant must submit an up-to-date, signed copy of his/her school transcript.
- C. Each candidate can be called for a personal interview by the committee.
- D. The candidate must complete a 200-300 word essay that lists interest, ambitions, concerns, and/or specific plans for the future.
- E. Each candidate must complete the attached Financial Statement

**Procedure of Award** – The recipient will not be informed in advance of the decision of the committee and no public announcement will be made until the time of the formal presentation at the Senior Awards Ceremony. The presentation will be made by a uniformed representative of the Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc. An alternate and second alternate will be chosen but not announced, in case the principal recipient does not enter an institution of higher learning. The check shall be written directly to the school of the recipient after the student is enrolled or in actual attendance. In case the student ceases to attend an institute of higher learning, the alternate will receive any refunds of money. In the event there is no alternate chosen, all monies remaining will be returned to Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc. If the student awarded the scholarship and the alternates do not go to an institution of higher learning in that year, in the following year the sum can be awarded at the discretion of the committee. All letters of application shall be filed in the Chief's office for the use of the committee only. The decision of the committee shall be final.

**Amount of Award** – The sum of \$3,000 will be awarded.

Note: The rules stated above are not to be changed, consolidated or modified in any way without the expressed written consent of the Westbrook Chemical Engine Company #1, Inc. Any requests to make changes must be submitted in writing.



# Student Council Service Award

*A single, one-time award of \$250.00*

## **Purpose**

The purpose of the Student Council Service Award is to acknowledge and reward the efforts of two students in the area of service to our high school.

## **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

*In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined in "Instructions for High School Seniors Applying for Westbrook Local Scholarships":*

- The candidate is, and remains, in "good" academic and social standing
  - The candidate demonstrates outstanding service to the benefit of Westbrook High School.
  - The candidate included an essay (250-300 words) focused on commitment to service in the school and/or Westbrook community.
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# Westbrook Council of Beaches Scholarship

***No application needed for this scholarship.***

*A single, one-time award of \$500*

## **Purpose**

This scholarship was established to assist a senior in financing any further education beyond high school.

## **Scholarship Eligibility and Selection Criteria**

*In addition to meeting the eligibility and selection criteria outlined in "Instructions for High School Seniors Applying for Westbrook Local Scholarships":*

- This scholarship is selected **without the need of an application** by the Beach Association.
  - This one-time award will be presented at the Senior Awards Ceremony.
  - The recipient will be invited to attend a Beach Association meeting for formal presentation of the check.
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## **Westbrook Garden Club Scholarship**

**Garden Club Mission:** "To promote interest, understanding and education of gardening, horticulture and floral design; beautify our community, and conserve our natural resources."

**Purpose:** To financially assist a Westbrook resident with post-secondary education expenses

**Amount:** \$2,000.00

### **Applicant Eligibility:**

- Must be a US citizen who has resided in Westbrook for two years prior to submitting application
- Currently a high school senior who will be full time undergraduate student at an accredited college in the following academic year **OR**
- Currently an undergraduate enrolled in a two or four year program with a major in environmental studies or a related area such as forestry, plant sciences, horticulture, landscape design, landscape architecture, marine conservation, or urban studies.
- Planning a career related to environmental studies or a related area involving nature, environmental sciences or marine sciences or planning to major in environmental studies or a related area such as forestry, plant sciences, horticulture, landscape design, landscape architecture, marine conservation, or urban studies.
- To be considered, must submit a completed application with supporting documents

### **Application Procedure:**

- Required
  - Completed application
  - Letter of interest (350-500 words), discussing goals, interests, concerns, extracurricular activities and rationale for selection of college major
  - Official transcript sent directly from applicant's school
- Optional
  - Personal Recommendations
  - Resume
- Interview may be requested

**Application Deadline:** April 21, 2020

**Selection:** Recipient will be selected by members of the Westbrook Garden Club, upon recommendation of the Scholarship Committee

**Distribution of Funds:** A check will be mailed to the recipient after the student has completed one successful term and an official transcript has been received by the Scholarship Committee.

**Scholarship Announcement:** If the recipient is a WHS senior, a member of the Westbrook Garden Club or a school official may formally present the scholarship at the WHS Senior Awards Ceremony. If the recipient is a current post secondary student, other arrangements will be made.