ROY C. KETCHAM HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS…
CHECK OUT THE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FROM THE
COMMUNITY FOUNDATIONS

Complete guidelines and online applications are available at www.cfhvny.org. All scholarships for Roy C. Ketcham High School are available through the scholarship search feature. Thousands of dollars will be awarded this spring. April 1st is the deadline for most scholarships.

- **Acacio "Roger" Rodrigues Memorial Scholarship**
  This Scholarship is available to graduating high school seniors who reside in Dutchess, Putnam or Westchester County, or Fairfield County, CT, and plan to study in a field which will lead to a career in the building/construction industry. The scholarships will be awarded to individuals who will be full time students at any accredited vocational school, college or university in the United States. Minimum scholarship award is $2,000.

- **Andy Vito/Harold Tompkins/Ron Vece Scholarship**
  Established by the Hudson Valley Umpires’ Association, this scholarship is available to Dutchess County high school graduates who have played high school baseball. Two $750 scholarships will be awarded.

- **ATHENA Scholarship**
  Established by the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce to encourage increased leadership roles for women in our community, this scholarship is available to any female high school senior who is a resident of Dutchess County, and who is pursuing their education at an accredited college or university in New York state or trade school or through an accredited online educational program in the Fall. One $1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

- **Charles S. North Scholarship for Music & Art**
  Established by the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce to encourage the pursuit of music and arts in education, this scholarship is available to any high school senior who is a resident of Dutchess County, and is pursuing a degree in musical performance, music/art education or visual arts at an accredited college or university in the United States. One $1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

- **Communications Scholarship**
  Established by the family of Audrey Morgenstern and the Dutchess Regional Chamber of Commerce to honor her memory, this scholarship is available to any resident of Dutchess County who is pursuing a career in communications arts at an accredited college or university in New York state. One $1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

- **Cosimo DiBrizzi Culinary Arts Scholarship**
  Established by the family of Cosimo DiBrizzi and the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce to honor his memory, this scholarship is available to any resident of the Hudson Valley who is pursuing a career at the Culinary Institute of America. Several scholarships will be awarded ranging from $1,000 to $2,000.

- **Doherty-Package Pavement Company Scholarship**
  Students continuing their education beyond high school, whose parents or guardians have been employed by one of the companies (Package Pavement Company, Inc., Red Wing Properties, Inc., or Stormville Trucking, Inc) for at least five years, are eligible to apply. Scholarship is not renewable, but winners may apply in up to four subsequent years. Scholarships generally range from $500 to $3,000.

- **Eileen Hickey Nursing Scholarship**
  Established by the family of Eileen Hickey and the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce to honor her memory, this scholarship is available to any resident of the Mid-Hudson Valley who is pursuing a career in nursing at a college in New York state. Several $1,000 scholarships will be awarded.
George A. and Catherine V. Quill Scholarship
Through the thoughtfulness and generosity of George A. Quill and his wife Catherine V. Quill, this scholarship is not necessarily intended for those students with the highest grade point average, but rather intended for those students who must apply themselves to prosper, or those who are able to demonstrate financial need. Graduating seniors from Beacon High School, John Jay High School, Roy C. Ketcham High School, Poughkeepsie High School, or Newburgh Free Academy are eligible to apply. Several $1,000 scholarships will be awarded.

H. Normington Schofield Scholarship
Established by the family and friends of Norm Schofield, scholarships are available to graduating seniors of Beacon, John Jay, Roy C. Ketcham and Our Lady of Lourdes High School planning to major in environmental studies or education. Several $1,000 scholarships are awarded.

Hudson Valley Financial Professionals Scholarship Fund
Established by the Hudson Valley Financial Professionals, one scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior from a Dutchess County high school who wishes to pursue a career in the financial services industry at any accredited college or university. One $500 scholarship will be awarded.

Hudson Valley Guns and Hoses Scholarship
Established by Hudson Valley Guns and Hoses a scholarship is available to paid or volunteer firefighters or law enforcement officers (or an immediate relative of a paid or volunteer firefighter or law enforcement officer) who are college bound or currently enrolled undergraduate or graduate college students in Dutchess, Orange, Putnam and Ulster Counties. The scholarship will be awarded to individuals who will either be a full time undergraduate or matriculated graduate students at any accredited college or university or vocational school in the United States who plan to major in Criminal Justice, Fire Science, Public Administration or related fields. One $1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

Jay Lamando Scholarship
The scholarship will be awarded to up to four graduating seniors (two young men and two young women) from John Jay and Roy C. Ketcham High Schools who play on an athletic team or are active in after school club(s)/activities and plan to attend an accredited 4-year college or university or a 2-year community college full time. This is a one-time non-renewable $500 scholarship

Jennifer Coudrey Memorial Scholarship
Established by WRRV, this scholarship will be awarded to a young women in the Hudson Valley who shares Jen’s positive attitude, desire to help others and determination to work hard pursuing a career in physical therapy. One $1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

Joseph H. and Mildred C. McManus Scholarship (4 year)
Scholarships are available to graduating seniors or recent graduates of high schools in Dutchess County. The scholarships shall be applied to tuition costs at accredited colleges, or universities for a period not to exceed four (4) years. Scholarships generally range from $1,000 to $2,000 per year. Must maintain “B-” or equivalent GPA to continue receiving funds while attending the undergraduate institution. Several scholarships will be awarded.

Juan Lafuente Memorial Engineering and Computer Science Scholarship
Established by the family of Juan Lafuente and the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce to honor his memory, this scholarship is available to any resident of Dutchess County pursuing a career in an engineering or computer science field. Several $1,000 scholarships will be awarded.

Kathleen H. Zwissler Memorial Scholarship
Established by Adams Fairacre Farms to honor her memory, this scholarship is available to seniors graduating from high school and students currently enrolled in accredited academic institutions whose field of study is or will be in a business-related field and who works at or whose parents or guardians are employed by Adams Fairacre Farms, Inc. One $500 scholarship will be awarded.

Lisa Moray Memorial Scholarship
Established by the family and friends of Lisa Moray. Eligible students must be graduating high school female athletes from Roy C. Ketcham High School and will be judged on their embodiment of the character of Lisa Moray including participation in sports, sportsmanship, community service and mentorship of other athletes. The student must also plan to continue their education as full-time students at any accredited college or university in the United States. One $1,000 scholarship will be awarded.
Luigi and Elisa Panichi Memorial Scholarship
Established by the family of Luigi and Elisa Panichi to honor their memory, this scholarship is available to seniors graduating from high school and students currently enrolled in accredited academic institutions including 4-year public and private colleges or universities, community colleges and trade schools whose parents or guardians are employed by Panichi Holding Corp. d/b/a Royal Carting Service Co. or Valley 82 Holding Corp. d/b/a Welsh Sanitation Service. Scholarships generally range from $500 to $1,000.

Manufacturing and Trade Scholarship
Established by the Manufacturing and Trade Committee of the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce, the Manufacturing & Trade Scholarship is designed to give Hudson Valley residents, age 17 or older, who possess or are working towards a High School or General Equivalency Diploma, the opportunity to continue and/or complete their educational needs in manufacturing or trade profession. Scholarship monies will be given directly to the educational institution. Funds may be used for tuition, materials or textbooks, as necessary components to a Manufacturing or Trade course. Materials may include industry specific electronics (not including personal computers), measuring tools, calculators and other educational devices. The scholarship maximum is $2,000 per student.

Maria E. McCarthy Ringwood Memorial Scholarship
Established by the family of Maria McCarthy Ringwood to honor her memory and love of theater, this scholarship is available to Roy C. Ketcham High School and Our Lady of Lourdes High School college-bound graduating seniors, who have actively participated in theater in school. Two $500 scholarships will be awarded, one for each High School.

Marjorie A. Rifenburg Scholarship
The scholarship is available to provide assistance with college expenses to individuals of Native American descent. Graduating seniors of Dutchess County high schools and students enrolled in Dutchess County colleges are eligible to apply. The scholarship shall be applied to tuition costs at an accredited college, or university or trade school. The scholarship amounts range from $500 to $4,000. Not renewable but winners may reapply in subsequent years.

Mary Abdoo Fashion Memorial Scholarship
Established by the family of Mary Abdoo and the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce to honor her memory, this scholarship is available to any resident of the Hudson Valley who is pursuing a career in fashion at Marist College. One $1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

Maureen and Stan Straub Scholarship
Established by Maureen and Stan Straub to provide a scholarship to a graduating senior from Roy C. Ketcham High School or a student who would resides in the RCK area, who has demonstrated involvement/leadership in community service activities and an ability to succeed in their chosen course of study. One $500 scholarship will be awarded.

Maynard and Ferne Brownell Family Scholarship
Established by the family of Maynard and Ferne Brownell scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior from Beacon High School, John Jay High School or Roy C. Ketcham High School. The scholarship shall be applied to tuition costs at accredited colleges, or universities for a period not to exceed four (4) years. One $750-$1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

Melissa D. Bisaccia Memorial Scholarship
Established by the family of Melissa Bisaccia to honor her memory, this scholarship is available to seniors graduating from Roy C. Ketcham High School. Candidates will be judged on their demonstrated perseverance in overcoming obstacles of significance. One $1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

Melissa Gleichenhaus Choral Leadership Scholarship
The Melissa Gleichenhaus Choral Leadership Scholarship was established to provide scholarships to graduating high school seniors of the Roy C. Ketcham High School who participated in the choral program a minimum of two years, including their senior year. One $500 scholarship will be awarded to individuals who will be full time students at any accredited college or university in the United States.
Miles of Hope Breast Cancer Foundation Scholarship
The purpose of the Miles of Hope Breast Cancer Foundation Scholarship is to assist students who have been affected by breast cancer in some way. Students meeting the Miles of Hope scholarship criteria and who plan to pursue a healthcare related field of study may be considered for the Betty Howard Scholarship award. Students meeting the Miles of Hope scholarship criteria may be considered for the Michael Benecke Scholarship and Betty Benecke Memorial Scholarship award. Scholarship awards vary from $1,000 - $3,000. Recipients may reapply in subsequent years while they are in college.

Nora Zeller Strudwick Memorial Scholarship
Established by the family and friends of Nora Strudwick and the Wappingers Registered Professional Nurses Association to honor her memory, one $500 scholarship is available to a senior graduating from one of the Wappingers Central School District high schools who plans to pursue a career in nursing. The recipient will demonstrate the potential for the compassionate nursing practice which best symbolized Mrs. Strudwick’s nursing career.

Norman and Rita Nussbickel Memorial Scholarship
This scholarship was established in 1987 by the Nussbickel family and the Greater Southern Dutchess Chamber of Commerce’s Chamber Foundation in memory of Norman F. Nussbickel. The scholarship also honors Norman’s wife, Rita, who passed away in 2006. Four $2,000 scholarships will be awarded.

P.J. Ransley Memorial Scholarship
Established in memory of P.J. Ransley, this Fund will provide scholarships to graduating students of high schools located in Dutchess County who plan to major in business. One $1,000 scholarship will be awarded.

Richard W. Mitchell Memorial Scholarship
Established by the family of Richard W. Mitchell and the Dutchess County Regional Chamber of Commerce to honor his memory, this scholarship is available to any resident of Dutchess County who is faced with significant economic, physical, developmental or emotional barrier(s) while advancing his or her education. Several $1,000 scholarships will be awarded.

Ronnie Berg Drummers Scholarship
Established in memory of gifted drummer Ronnie Berg, this scholarship is available to graduating high school seniors and/or students already in college who share Ronnie’s enthusiasm for drumming. The scholarship will be awarded to individuals who will be full time students at any accredited college or university in the United States. It may be used for tuition, books and fees. One scholarship of $1,000 will be awarded.

St. Stanislaus Knights of Columbus Scholarship
Established by the St. Stanislaus Knights of Columbus to provide a scholarship to a graduating senior attending an accredited technical school or pursuing a baccalaureate or associate's degree at an accredited two or four year college. Must be a child or ward of a contributing member of St. Stanislaus Parish or active and contributing member of St. Stanislaus Knights of Columbus for two years. One $500 scholarship will be awarded.

Stephanie D. Brown Memorial Scholarship
Established by the family of Stephanie Brown to honor her memory and devotion to children, this scholarship is available to a female Dutchess County high school graduate, who intends to major in Education (Drama and Psychology also accepted). The scholarship generally ranges from $1,000 to $2,000.

Steven and Linda Lant Family Scholarship for Business and Finance
Established by the Lant Family to support students in achieving his or her Bachelor’s Degree, this scholarship is available to any Dutchess County high school senior or Dutchess Community College student entering an accredited bachelor’s degree program with a major in business, finance or economics at a New York State college. Financial need is considered. Up to four scholarships will be awarded each year.

Thomas W. Haggerty Memorial Scholarship
Established by Ellen Haggerty in memory of her husband Thomas Haggerty, the scholarship is for two graduating seniors at both John Jay and Roy C. Ketcham High Schools. The one-time $500 scholarship may be used for tuition costs at any accredited college, university or trade school in the United States.
Vincent Paino, Sr. Memorial Scholarship
Established by the Rotary Club of Wappingers Falls to honor Vincent Paino, Sr. for his many years of dedication to the Club as a charter member, longtime Sgt. at arms and many hours of community service through Rotary. A scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior from Roy C. Ketcham High School or a student who would resides in the RCK area. One $2,000 scholarship will be awarded.

The Community Foundations is a public charitable organization that is a driving force for philanthropy in Dutchess, Putnam and Ulster Counties. Representing thousands of donors through more than 500 separate funds that make up its endowment, your Foundations encourages a sense of community by channeling much-needed resources to area organizations.

Working with donors who wish to ensure and improve the quality of life in Dutchess, Putnam and Ulster Counties, we cover a broad and diverse range of issue areas including the arts, education, community development, conservation, health, and human services. The Foundations provides superior donor services, makes grants and scholarships that positively impact the community, ensures sustainability of the philanthropic community and serves as a leader, catalyst, and resource.

We are both a grantmaker and a vehicle for donors to accomplish their philanthropic dreams.

The Community Foundations exists to enhance the quality of life for all citizens of our area, now and for generations to come, by building community endowments, addressing needs through grantmaking, and providing leadership on key community issues. Scholarships are just one way that donors support our community.

This is just a starting point. It makes good sense to investigate all possible sources of assistance for which you may be eligible. Check with your guidance counselor. Prior to your senior year, read your hometown newspapers (especially in April, May and June) for the names of scholarships given in your area. If you think you may qualify, contact the sponsoring organization.

We encourage you to keep checking the Scholarship section of our Web site for additional scholarship opportunities.

You should also contact your house of worship to see if either the local or national organization offers any student aid programs. Contact local civic and fraternal organizations, religious groups, and veterans’ posts; many local, state and national units sponsor some scholarship programs, especially for members’ children. Sometimes these are limited to a specified high school; more often they are given to a local area that includes several high schools.

Ask your parents to check with their employers. Many employers have some form of scholarship or grant aid available to help employees’ children meet educational expenses; sometimes these programs are competitive, with awards based on academic achievement, while others are based on demonstrated need alone.

If your parents are members of labor unions or trade and professional associations, they may discover that these organizations have some type of aid available to assist members’ children. If one of your parents is a military veteran, you might also qualify for some help. Investigate programs that may be underwritten by local businesses and industries. Much assistance is still provided by the general government, the states, and increasingly, the schools and colleges involved.
The most important thing to remember is that if you don’t apply you cannot receive most scholarships. So apply!

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