



# DUCESNE HIGH SCHOOL

*shaping leaders in mind, body, and spirit*

## 2026-2027 SCHOLARSHIP & FINANCIAL AID OPPORTUNITIES AND APPLICATIONS

### *For 2026-2027 Freshmen — automatic scholarships*

Students are automatically considered for the President's, Principals, and Dean's scholarships. No application is required. These awards are renewed annually if the student has acceptable conduct and maintains the stated GPA.

**President's Scholarship** — \$2,000 to students who select Duchesne as their first-choice school, attend a Catholic grade school, have a min. 4.0 GPA, and score 95% or better on the Complete Composite ITBS, NWEA MAP, or comparable testing in 8th grade. (Maintain 4.0 GPA at DHS for auto renewal.)

**Principal's Scholarship** — \$1,000 to students who select Duchesne as their first-choice school, attend a Catholic grade school, have a min. 4.0 GPA, and score 90-94% on the Complete Composite ITBS, NWEA MAP, or comparable testing in 8th grade. (Maintain 4.0 GPA at DHS for auto renewal.)

**Dean's Scholarship** — \$750 to students who select Duchesne as their first-choice school, have B or better in core 8th-grade classes, and score 80-89% or better on the Complete Composite ITBS, NWEA MAP, or comparable testing in 8th grade. Catholic grade school attendance is not required. (Maintain 3.6 GPA at DHS for auto renewal.)

**Tuition Assistance** if determined individually. All families requesting tuition assistance must submit required documents through [Blackbaud Financial Aid management \(BBFA\)](#).

Additional tuition assistance is available through various scholarships as noted here, and through our [Work Study](#) program.

DHS Tuition Assistance and Work Study applications are open from February 2—March 9, 2026. Awards will be made by April 10.

The Archdiocese of St. Louis' [Today & Tomorrow Foundation](#) provides need-based scholarships. Applications are now open.

**MO Scholars** is a \$6,375 annual scholarship to eligible students who have an IEP. Applications are now open.

### *For 2026-2027 All Grade Levels — automatic scholarship*

**Nathan Spiess First Responder/Military Scholarship** — \$1,500 to students with a parent who is a First Responder (police, fire, EMT/ambulance) or is in the Military (active or reserve). Please confirm employment by emailing [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org).

### *Financial Need-Based Scholarships* (see next page for Merit- and Interest-Based Scholarships)

These scholarships require the Duchesne Scholarship Application (which follows) along with related essays. Please print these pages, mark the appropriate scholarship(s) for which the student is eligible, type or fill out the application in blue or black ink, and attach typed responses to the essay questions. Return all materials to Nancy Kohl at [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org) or to the Duchesne High School office at 2550 Elm St, Saint Charles, MO 63301, ATTN: Nancy Kohl by March 9, 2026. Note that the required documents for financial need assessment must be submitted online through BBFA (Blackbaud Financial Aid, which replaces our formerly-used FACTS): [BBFA link](#)

**Requirements for each of the scholarships below vary.**

**PLEASE READ THE SPECIFICS FOR EACH CAREFULLY; details can be found further on in this document.**

**CHECK ONLY THE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WHICH YOU ARE ELIGIBLE.**

#### *For 2026-2027 Freshmen —*

- Jan Schultehenrich Memorial Scholarship
- Mary Lou Hannegan Scholarship

#### *For 2026-2027 Seniors only —*

- Dr. Henry & Roseann Clever Scholarship

#### *For 2026-2027 All Grade Levels —*

- Scheidegger Challenge Fund for Tuition Aid
- St. Peter Parish Scholarship
- Victoria Reid Scholarship

## Merit- and Interest-Based Scholarships (see previous page for Financial Need-Based Scholarships)

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**Requirements for each of the scholarships below vary.**

**PLEASE READ THE SPECIFICS FOR EACH CAREFULLY; details can be found further on in this document.**

**CHECK ONLY THE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR WHICH YOU ARE ELIGIBLE.**

### *For 2026-2027 Freshmen —*

- Alumni Association Scholarship
- Anita Venvertloh Memorial Art Scholarship
- Charles & Carol Ryan Memorial Art Scholarship
- Dan Rupp Memorial Scholarship
- Frank Kister Family Foundation Scholarship
- Timothy O. Hill Memorial Scholarship

### *For 2026-2027 Freshmen and Transfer Students —*

- Duchesne Band Scholarship
- Duchesne Hockey Scholarship

### *For 2026-2027 Seniors only —*

- Ron Kjar Service & Scholarship Award

### *For 2026-2027 All Grade Levels —*

- Evan Kielty Memorial Scholarship

## Special Scholarships (Duchesne Scholarship Application and BBFA not required)

### **Dolores Boschart Memorial Duchesne Scholarship — All Grade Levels, Financial Need**

\$2,000 scholarship awarded in Dolores' memory annually to one student of any grade level according to the following criteria:

-Cumulative GPA of at least 3.0

-Statement of financial need

-A video submission **not to exceed 3 minutes** on the topic of "How do you live life to the fullest?" (Bonus points if you can make the scholarship review committee laugh!)

Teacher endorsement included in video submission or signature on the application document

Applicants must submit a typed document including name, GPA, and statement of financial need on plain paper in 12-point font and double-spaced. Please submit by emailing the document and video to [dolomemorial@gmail.com](mailto:dolomemorial@gmail.com) with "Duchesne Scholarship Application" as the subject line. Applications are due by March 9, 2026. Payment will be made directly to Duchesne High School in the winner's name. The scholarship recipient will be selected by the Boschart family. Please email [dolomemorial@gmail.com](mailto:dolomemorial@gmail.com) with any questions.

### **Mel Plackemeier DAB Memorial Scholarship — 2026-2027 Seniors who have attended Duchesne for their first 3 years of high school**

\$1,000 scholarships in honor of alumni parent Mel Plackemeier and funded by donations in Mel's memory, our Duchesne Athletic Boosters, and the Plackemeier family, awarded annually to 2 soon-to-be seniors who have attended DHS for FR/SO/JR years according to the following selection criteria.

-Cumulative GPA of at least 2.5

-List of activities and involvement at Duchesne, including athletics, arts, and service

-Essay of 300-500 words on the topic of "How my participation in co-curriculars has enhanced my years at Duchesne"

-Teacher's review of and endorsement signature on the essay

The student's name, GPA, activities/involvement details and the essay must be typed in 12pt font and double-spaced. The application should be well-written; typos and grammatical errors will not be accepted. Please email to [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org) or submit in an envelope marked "Plackemeier Scholarship" to the Duchesne High School office at 2550 Elm St, Saint Charles, MO 63301, ATTN: Nancy Kohl by March 9, 2026.

**PLEASE SEE NEXT PAGES FOR DETAILS ON THE FINANCIAL NEED-BASED/MERIT- AND INTEREST-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS THAT REQUIRE THE DUCHESNE APPLICATION (also to follow).**

**The Duchesne Application is needed to apply for the following. Requirements for each of the scholarships below vary.**

**PLEASE READ THE SPECIFICS FOR EACH CAREFULLY.**

**Financial Need-Based Scholarships (Duchesne Application with essays and BBFA required)**

*For 2026-2027 Freshmen —*

**Jan Schultehenrich Memorial Scholarship**

\$1,000 award to student with financial need who demonstrates good work habits and school citizenship.

**Mary Lou Hannegan Scholarship**

\$1,000 award, financial need required.

*For 2026-2027 Seniors only —*

**Dr. Henry & Roseann Clever Scholarship**

\$1,000 award, GPA of 3.0 better and financial need required.

*For 2026-2027 All Grade Levels —*

**Scheidegger Challenge Fund for Tuition Aid**

\$1,000 award based on financial need.

**St. Peter Parish Scholarship**

\$500-\$1,500 according to market conditions, awarded to a St. Peter parish member who demonstrates financial need. Applicants must write a 300-500 word essay answering the following questions (in addition to the essay questions on the Duchesne Application).

-Tell how your Catholic education has prepared you to be a disciple of Christ.

-Tell how attending weekly Mass with your family helps you in your life with Christ.

**Victoria Reid Scholarship**

\$1,000 awarded to a student who demonstrates financial need and is of Hispanic heritage (50% or more—at least one parent must have origins in a Spanish-speaking country).

**Merit- and Interest-Based Scholarships (Duchesne Application with essays required)**

*For 2026-2027 Freshmen —*

**Alumni Association Scholarship**

\$1,000 award to the child or grandchild of a St. Peter/ Duchesne High School alum and selects Duchesne as their first-choice school. Renewable for subsequent years by maintaining good conduct and a minimum cumulative 3.0 grade point average.

**Anita Venvertloh Memorial Art Scholarship**

\$500 award to a student interested in art education at Duchesne. Along with this application, students must submit 3 to 5 samples of their best artwork; samples demonstrating proficiency in various media are preferred. (Samples will be returned.)

**Charles & Carol Ryan Memorial Art Scholarship**

\$1,000 award to a student from St. Charles Borromeo School who is interested in art classes or performing arts at Duchesne. In addition to the standard Duchesne scholarships application, applicants for this scholarship must write a paragraph on "How involvement in art or performing arts contributes to an individual's development as a whole."

**Dan Rupp Memorial Scholarship**

\$3,000 award in memory of DHS alumni parent and hockey coach Dan Rupp. In addition to the standard Duchesne scholarships application, applicants for this scholarship must write a 300-500 word essay describing why Catholic education is important to them and include their plans for involvement in service, performing arts, and/or athletics while attending Duchesne.

## Merit- and Interest-Based Scholarships, cont. (Duchesne Application with essays required)

### *For 2026-2027 Freshmen, cont.—*

#### **Frank Kister Family Foundation Scholarship**

\$1,000 award to a student who exemplifies the spirit of Frank Kister with regard to community service and awareness of the needs and interests of others. Automatically renewable if the student is in good standing.

#### **Timothy O. Hill Memorial Scholarship**

\$1,000 award based on school achievements, co-curricular activities, and service to the community.

### *For 2026-2027 Freshmen and Transfer Students —*

#### **Duchesne Band Scholarship**

\$500 award to students who participate in the Duchesne Band for both semesters during that school year.

#### **Duchesne Hockey Scholarship**

Amount varies depending on circumstances and financial need, awarded to a DHS student member of the Duchesne Hockey Club.

### *For 2026-2027 Seniors only —*

#### **Ron Kjar Service & Scholarship Award**

\$1,000 is awarded to several seniors with a 3.5 or better cumulative GPA who demonstrate a balance of community service and academic excellence. The application must be accompanied by two recommendations from faculty members attesting to those two attributes.

### *For 2026-2027 All Grade Levels —*

#### **Evan Kielty Memorial Scholarship**

\$2,500 award. In addition to completing the Duchesne Application, students must submit a 3-5 minute video including examples of how/when the student emulates/has emulated the characteristics for which Evan is remembered: heart, grit, loyalty, and living outside of the box. Please include your plans for your time at Duchesne, activities you are/plan to be involved in, and what type of opportunity Duchesne High School will provide/has provided you.

## **SEE NEXT PAGE FOR THE DUCHESNE APPLICATION (Required for all scholarships except the Dolores Boschert Memorial Duchesne Scholarship and the Mel Plackemeier DAB Memorial Scholarship.)**

The Duchesne Application must be submitted with first two pages of this document, where you will have checked the scholarship names for which you are eligible, based on the descriptions found under Financial Need-Based Scholarships and Merit- and Interest-Based Scholarships.

Please remember that the Financial Need-Based Scholarships also require documents for financial need assessment as submitted online through BBFA (Blackbaud Financial Aid, which replaces our formerly-used FACTS): [BBFA link](#)

Return the checklist pages, Duchesne Application and related essays, and any additional essays as may be required by the individual scholarship descriptions to Nancy Kohl at [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org) or to the Duchesne High School office at 2550 Elm St, Saint Charles, MO 63301, ATTN: Nancy Kohl by March 9, 2026.



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## 2026-2027 DUCESNE SCHOLARSHIPS APPLICATION

***Duchesne's Scholarship application period is open from February 2-March 9, 2026.***

Student's Name:

(Last) \_\_\_\_\_ (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (M.I.) \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name:

(Last) \_\_\_\_\_ (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (M.I.) \_\_\_\_\_

Father's Name:

(Last) \_\_\_\_\_ (First) \_\_\_\_\_ (M.I.) \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Elementary School/Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Second Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Other family members who currently attend or have attended St. Peter/ Duchesne High School: (use second page if needed)

Goals and Educational Plans: (use second page if needed)

Cumulative Grade Point Average (as of the last complete semester): \_\_\_\_\_

List any academic recognition, scholarships, or service awards you have received: (use second page if needed)

List all current and future school activities, along with any other hobbies and interests: (use second page if needed)

## Community Service

List all applicable service and volunteer activities for your school, church, and/or community: (use second page if needed)

*On a separate sheet of paper? please type a paragraph-essay for each of the following questions and attach the essays to this application form;*

Why do you want to attend Duchesne High School?

Why is Catholic education and service important to you? Include a service experience you participated in.

Signatures:

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(Student)

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(Parent)

*For questions, please contact Nancy Kohl at [nkohl@duchesne-hs.org](mailto:nkohl@duchesne-hs.org) or 636.757.6925 and include a best phone number.*

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME, AND FOR YOUR INTEREST IN DUCESNE HIGH SCHOOL!**

**IT'S A GREAT DAY TO BE A PIONEER, AND WE WELCOME YOU TO OUR SCHOOL FAMILY!!**