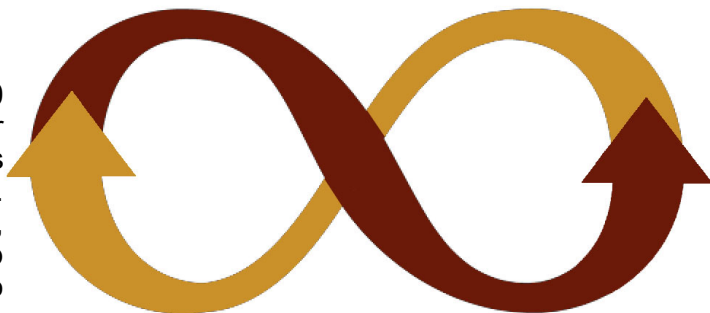


Pay It Forward DHS

The **Pay It Forward DHS** Scholarship offers \$2,000, \$3,000 and \$4,000 scholarships to sophomore, junior and senior status college students. Graduate and other programs beyond bachelor's degree are also welcome to apply. Recipients are selected on the basis of academics, leadership, financial need and dedication. The scholarship was established in 2016 to provide financial assistance to graduates of Deckerville High School. The only request is that once you are able to help others, you Pay It Forward!



Scholarships will only be provided to assist with tuition for Fall semester 2026 and Winter Semester 2027

APPLICANTS MUST:

1. Graduate from Deckerville High School class of 2025 or prior.
2. Earn a college GPA of 2.5 or higher.
3. Complete the following **application form** and **essay** in its entirety.
4. Attach a current resume.
5. Provide official copies of high school transcripts and ACT or SAT results.
6. Provide cumulative college transcripts 2025 and prior (if applicable).
7. Furnish 3 letters of recommendation
 - One from a school professor.
 - One from a current or former employer.
 - One from a volunteer group leader such as a nonprofit organization or church.

ALL REQUIREMENTS MUST BE MET, OR APPLICATION WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

DEADLINE - APPLICATIONS MUST BE POST MARKED BY: September 14, 2026

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IMPORTANT TIPS

Applications are reviewed and evaluated in various categories on a weighted average. Points are awarded in each category.

Examples of categories include:

***Application (complete/neat) - Scholastic Achievement & SAT/ACT - Financial Need - Community Service
Employment History - Support Letters - Academic & Career Goals - Essay***

Other Suggestions/Recommendations:

- Make sure your cumulative grade point average appears on your college transcript.
- Be neat! **APPLICATION MUST BE TYPED.**
- Have someone proofread your application and essay so you make a good impression.
- Send only material requested - do not include copies of awards, certificates, etc.
- Please mail in flat envelope (**don't fold or staple**).
- Meet deadlines! Make sure everything is in one envelope - don't mail items separately.
- Digital copies of transcripts directly from the University are acceptable
- Questions? Please email: crlogan@gmail.com

Results will be e-mailed to applicants. Recipients will be selected by September 28, 2026.

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Personal:

Name:	
Address:	Cell Phone:
City/State/Zip:	Home Phone:
E-Mail Address:	
Date of Birth:	Place of Birth (State):

Employment History:

<u>Employer:</u>	<u>Years worked:</u>	<u>Hours/Week:</u>	<u>Brief Description of Job:</u>

Education:

High School:	Graduation Date:
Overall/Cumulative High School Grade Point Average : _____ (Indicate "Academic" NOT "weighted" GPA)	Based on a GPA system of: _____
ACT and/or SAT scores ACT: SAT:	
University/College Currently Attending:	
University/College Major/Minor area(s) of study (if applicable):	
Overall/Cumulative Grade Point Average (minimum 2.5): _____	
University/college credits received to date:	Current Credit Load:
Extracurricular Activities (school, clubs, athletics) - Indicate position(s), club(s) and/or athletics you participated in. - Distinguish year (9-12 or college) and approximate hours you participated when you list the club/organization.	
<u>Activity:</u>	<u>Years Participated:</u>
<u>Hours/Week:</u>	<u>Position & Brief Description:</u>

Education/Career Plans:

Educational Goals:	
Future Career/Profession Goals:	
How You Plan to Pay It Forward One Day:	

Name: _____
(MUST BE TYPED)

Community Service / Awards:

Community Service/Volunteer Activities (church, home, etc.)

- Indicate community organizations you actively participated in during each year.
- Include hours of volunteer service for each activity.

Note: These can be school related but should not duplicate any responses included in previous sections of the application.

Organization: Years Participated: Hours/Week: Brief Description of Service/Activity:

Honors and Awards.

- Describe the honors you received.
- Indicate whether they were on a local (school, county, or district), state or national level.
- The awards may be outside of school activities but should not duplicate any responses included in previous sections of the application.

Family (failure to fully disclose will disqualify you):

Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s):			
Address:		Home Phone:	
City/State/Zip:		E-Mail:	
List <u>each</u> Parent/Guardian's Place of Employment, Occupation, Job Title:			
<u>Name</u>	<u>Place of Employment</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Job Title</u>
Number of Brothers/Sisters:		List Ages:	

Financial (failure to fully disclose will disqualify you):

Provide Family/Household Income (verification of income may be required):			
☐ Below \$20,000	☐ \$20,000 - \$40,000	☐ \$40,000 - \$60,000	☐ \$60,000 - \$80,000
☐ \$80,000 - \$100,000	☐ \$100,000 - \$120,000	☐ \$120,000 - \$140,000	☐ Over \$140,000

Name: _____
(MUST BE TYPED)

Financial (continued)

How much have you personally saved and contributed for college: \$ _____ How much have others (parents, grandparents, etc.) saved for your education: \$ _____ Describe your financial need for a scholarship (<u>Important: Be very specific. Include current student loans</u>):
Other scholarships you have applied for: Other scholarships/grants you have already been awarded (name, amount and period of time covered):
If granted this award, how do you plan to pay for the remainder of your educational expenses?

Essay:

On a <u>separate page</u> , please write an essay of 500 words describing: Every successful person can point to someone who believed in them before they believed in themselves. Describe a person who invested their time, encouragement, or sacrifice into your life (parent, teacher, employer). How has their investment influenced your now and your future, and how do you plan to "pay it forward" to someone else? Have you told the person how influential they have been in your life?

Signatures:

Applicant:		Date:	
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In addition to a completed application form, the following items must be included before your application can be considered (**check boxes below to indicate items are included**):

- ☐ 3 Recommendation Letters
- ☐ College Transcripts (official copy). May be submitted electronically direct through the University
- ☐ High School Transcripts & ACT or SAT Test Results
- ☐ Current Resume
- ☐ 500 Word Essay

Mail **COMPLETE** package only, **postmarked by September 14, 2026** to:

Pay it Forward DHS
Attn: Chris Logan
208 Hancock
Safety Harbor, FL 34695

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