

THE LINCOLN SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

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2023 LINCOLN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

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Dear Lincoln Soon-to-be-Graduates,

Congratulations on your impending high school graduation! The Lincoln Scholarship Committee would like to invite you to apply for one or more of the awards and scholarships we provide. These awards and scholarships are available to:

- a) residents of the Town of Lincoln who are graduating this year from Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School, or
- b) in lieu of attendance at LSRHS are graduating from a vocational institution, the tuition for which Lincoln is financially responsible, or an independent/private institution, or
- c) who have eligibility via the specific criteria as set out in the Harriet Todd Scholarship as children of Town staff, or METCO students, and who attended at least grades 5-8 in Lincoln and are graduating from LSRHS or a vocational institution, the tuition for which Lincoln is financially responsible.

The Ogden Codman Trust and Harriet Todd scholarships have the same graduating institution requirement, but do not require the applicant to apply in the year of their graduation. Please refer to their instructions for further information.

There are 2 awards and multiple merit and/or needs-based scholarships available. The criteria for each of the applications are included in the application. You may apply for multiple awards and scholarships. Just check off the appropriate boxes at the top of the page to let the Committee know the awards and scholarships for which you would like to be considered. **The deadline for fully completed applications is March 31, after which no applications will be accepted.** Applications may be received by the Committee at P.O. Box 6283, Lincoln, MA 01773, by email to LincolnScholarship@lincolntown.org, or turned in to the Lincoln-Sudbury High School Superintendent/Principal's Office before the close of school on March 31.

AWARDS offered by the Lincoln Scholarship Committee and Application Instructions

(Each is a one-time honor in the form of a \$500 award that is not based on financial need.)

1. **SUMNER SMITH COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD:** This award recognizes a deserving high school student for contributing in a significant manner to some community need.
2. **FANNIE S. CAMPBELL ACADEMIC AWARD:** This award recognizes superior academic achievement. Applicants will be judged on scholastic excellence as well as superior achievement in a particular discipline or area of interest.

SCHOLARSHIPS offered by the Lincoln Scholarship Committee:

1. **LINCOLN COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS:** These first-year scholarships are based on financial need. They are available to any Lincoln resident who is graduating from Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School or, is graduating from a vocational institution, the tuition for which Lincoln is financially responsible, or an independent/private institution. This Scholarship provides additional funds over and above applicants' family resources and the financial aid awards from their post-secondary institution. These scholarships are designed only to "help fill the gap" between other resources and the total post-secondary school expense and should be requested only after all other options have been explored. There is no set number of Lincoln Community Scholarships, nor is there a set financial award. The number of recipients and the amounts of the scholarships depends on the number of applications and the donations the Scholarship Fund receives in a particular year. The typical range of the award is between \$1,000 and \$4,000.
2. **THE ODGEN CODMAN TRUST SCHOLARSHIPS:** These scholarships are yearly awards of either \$5,000 or \$2,500 per year for up to four years of post-secondary study in a college, trade, or technical school. The selection is based on a broad set of criteria including demonstrated financial need, academic record, extra-curricular activities, and community service. Unlike the other Lincoln Scholarship Committee awards and scholarships, applicants need not be current high school seniors.

ODGEN CODMAN TRUST SCHOLARSHIP, \$5,000 per year: Lincoln residents graduating, or having graduated, from Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School or any other accredited high school may be eligible for this award. The selection for this award will involve a broadly-based set of criteria. Each eligible recipient must demonstrate a financial need for scholarship support. In addition, the recipient should be an individual who has demonstrated a high level (but not necessarily the highest) of academic attainment, and who has manifested strong leadership qualities and ambition through participation in a broad array of school activities and community service. Qualified applicants shall extend to those who may have graduated within four (4) years of submitting their request for scholarship aid so as not to exclude anyone who may have decided initially to enter the workforce or pursue community service or another educationally productive activity in order to gain an added measure of maturity. The award is renewable for the duration of the student's program, up to a maximum of four years, if the student continues to meet the financial need criterion.

ODGEN CODMAN TRUST OPPORTUNITY AWARD, \$2,500 per year: The award will be given to one or more deserving Lincoln residents bound for a two or four-year college, vocational school or other post-secondary study or training program. The award is renewable for the duration of the student's program, up to a maximum of four years, if the student continues to meet the financial need criterion. While financial need is the primary criterion, student potential and commitment to success in a specific field or trade will be important factors.

Determination of financial need: Initial determination of financial need will be based on information provided on the applicant's FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Final determination will be made once the applicant receives his/her financial aid package from the selected school. If the school determines that the student is not eligible for financial aid, then he/she does not meet the financial need criteria for the Codman Scholarship program.

HARRIET TODD SCHOLARSHIP, \$5,000 per year: The mission of this scholarship is to encourage students pursuing studies and/or training consistent with Harriet Todd's lifetime of devotion to public service and volunteerism, demonstrating both commitment and integrity to a broad range of civic concerns. This award will be given to up to two students to support them in their studies at post-secondary institutions upon graduation from high school, including a two or four-year college or university, vocational school, or other post-secondary study or certification training program. This scholarship is renewable for a second year upon demonstration of acceptable academic standing and intent to return for a successive year.

Qualified applicants shall include those who have graduated from secondary or vocational school within two (2) years of submitting their request for scholarship aid. The reason for this is to avoid excluding anyone who may have decided initially to enter the work force, pursue community service or another educationally productive activity in order to gain an added measure of maturity or level of experience, or for personal reasons delay the start of their post-secondary education. Qualified applicants will provide demonstration of academic standing, leadership and involvement in community and extra-curricular activities will be priorities for consideration for this scholarship.

This scholarship is renewable for a second year upon demonstration of acceptable academic standing and intent to return for a successive year. The application requires a statement of interests and possible career choices with an explanation of the thinking and experiences that are influencing these decisions.

All students applying for awards and scholarships must arrange to attend one of the Committee interview days as listed on the application. A trustee will confirm the date by email and/or telephone.

ALL financial information required by the Scholarship Committee will be kept confidential.

Notification: All recipients will receive their awards/scholarships at the Lincoln-Sudbury Senior Awards Ceremony, in June, date and time to be determined. Families of those receiving awards will receive a letter from Lincoln-Sudbury Regional High School indicating that their senior will be receiving an award, but there will be no specific indication as to which award. Should an award/scholarship be given to a student not in attendance at LSRHS, arrangements will be made for the award/scholarship to be given at a suitable event and/or time.

Please feel free to call any member of the Committee if you have any questions.

Again, congratulations on your upcoming graduation!

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