



# 2024 Scholarship Program

## Guidelines

The **Brian S. McCarthy Memorial Foundation** was founded to provide scholarship opportunities to students graduating from Nashua High School North and Nashua High School South. The Foundation will award a total of Two (2) Scholarships to graduating seniors who will be matriculating into a collegiate level degree program that is STEM based. Please contact the **Brian S. McCarthy Memorial Foundation** directly for more information.

### Available Scholarships:

**Nashua, NH:** Two (2) \$5,000 scholarships are available to One (1) Nashua High School North and One (1) Nashua High School South, Senior Class of 2024 matriculating into a STEM based degree program at the collegiate level.

### Program Guidelines & Priorities:

\* Available to graduating seniors in the Class of 2024 from Nashua High School North and Nashua High School South in Nashua, NH.

\* Applicants must plan to attend a 2, 4, or 5 year college/university program or technical school and be pursuing a degree in a STEM field beginning in Autumn of 2024.

\* Scholarship funds will be paid in full *during the summer of 2024 for the first semester of the student's first year.* It will be the student's responsibility to submit to the Foundation proof of enrollment prior to fund disbursement.

\* Applicants must have a letter of reference submitted with their application attesting they are a qualified fit for this scholarship. This letter can come from a teacher, employer, coach, supervisor, or any person who is not a family member. Letters of reference should be submitted with completed application. Please provide the attached letter to the author of your letter of reference to provide them with information about the scholarship.

\*Applications, transcripts, and letters of reference are due by **April 10, 2024 by 11:59 p.m.** to be received by the Foundation.

\*Photocopies and Scans of letters of reference and transcripts are permitted and original documents are not required. Applications must be completed on the official scholarship application form provided by the Foundation. All applications must be the students original work. AI generated and/or plagiarized material will not be accepted.

\*Notification of application status will be sent out by May 1st, 2024. Semi-Finalists will be expected to participate in a virtual interview which will be recorded. Interviews will take place from May 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> in the evenings and run approximately 15 – 20 minutes each.

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Digital submissions are strongly encouraged.

Include your First and Last name in all file names and on all application pages. Application, letter of reference, and transcripts may be in one file or submitted separately. We ask that whenever possible, please submit using only one file.

Upload one copy of a completed application to [www.bsmmemorial.com/scholarships](http://www.bsmmemorial.com/scholarships)

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Alternatively, completed applications can be mailed to:

Brian S. McCarthy Memorial Foundation  
P.O. Box 1161  
Nashua, NH 03061-1161

If submitting by mail, please be sure to contact the Foundation at [Contact@bsmmemorial.com](mailto:Contact@bsmmemorial.com) so we can confirm receipt of your application. A confirmation response will be sent once the application is in hand. **Digital submissions are strongly encouraged.**

Applications will be reviewed and recipients selected by the Board of Directors. Recipients will be notified in late May/Early June of 2024.

Applications may be downloaded from the Brian S. McCarthy Memorial Foundation website at [www.bsmmemorial.com/scholarships](http://www.bsmmemorial.com/scholarships)

Please submit any questions to: [Contact@bsmmemorial.com](mailto:Contact@bsmmemorial.com)



**BRIAN S. MCCARTHY MEMORIAL FOUNDATION  
SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2024**

Please type your responses:	
1.	Last Name: _____ First Name: _____
2.	Mailing Address Street: _____ Apt#: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
3.	Telephone Number: _____
4.	Email Address: _____
5.	Date of Birth Month: _____ Day: _____ Year: _____
6.	Current Grade Point Average (GPA): _____ out of _____ Please provide a copy of most recent <b>Transcript</b>
7.	High School attending (check one): <input type="checkbox"/> Nashua High North <input type="checkbox"/> Nashua High South
8.	List any high school academic honors, awards and membership activities:          
9.	List your high school related extracurricular activities and volunteer activities:          



10.	List your hobbies, outside interests, non-school sponsored volunteer activities, and employment in the community:
11.	List any CTE courses that you have completed or are currently taking.
12.	What is your anticipated major/field of study?
13.	What courses did you take in high school that prepared you for your chosen field of study? Please explain in 2 or 3 sentences.
14a.	What college, university or technical school you will attend? If you have not decided please see question 14b.
14b.	If you have not yet decided on a college, university, or technical school, please list your top three (3) choices: 1. 2. 3.
15.	You may use this section to provide any further information you would like the scholarship committee to know.

Please continue to pages 5, 6, and 7 for essay prompts.



**Essays. Please write a short essay (no more than 500 words) for each of the following question prompts**

1. What inspired you to choose your field of study? Describe your educational and career goals.



2. How do you plan to use your educational and career goals to enrich your community?



3. What personal challenges have you encountered while working towards your educational and career goals?  
How did you address those challenges?



**STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS**

Please initial the following statements:

\_\_\_\_\_ I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. The work I have submitted is original and in my own words.

\_\_\_\_\_ I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to Brian S. McCarthy Memorial Foundation Scholarship policy, it is my responsibility to provide proof of enrollment to the Foundation and any other requested appropriate information for my scholarship funds to be disbursed.

\_\_\_\_\_ I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

**Digital Signature of Scholarship Applicant:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Checklist**

Application

Essays (3)

Letter of Reference from: \_\_\_\_\_

Most Recent **Transcript**

Email Notification to Foundation (if Applying through Mail)

**UPLOAD YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION AND DOCUMENTS AT:**  
[www.bsmmemorial.com/scholarships](http://www.bsmmemorial.com/scholarships)

**or mail to:**

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Please notify the Foundation at [Contact@bsmmemorial.com](mailto:Contact@bsmmemorial.com) if submitting by mail.

**We strongly encourage digital applications.**

**REMINDER:**

**The deadline for this application to be received by the Foundation:**  
**April 10, 2024 11:59 PM**

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P.O.Box 1161  
Nashua, NH 03061

Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

The **Brian S. McCarthy Memorial Foundation** was founded in 2019 to provide scholarship opportunities to students graduating from Nashua High School North and Nashua High School South who will be matriculating into a collegiate level STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) degree program. The Foundation will award a total of Two (2) Scholarships to graduating seniors from the Class of 2024. Please contact the **Brian S. McCarthy Memorial Foundation** directly for more information.

Our 2024 Scholarship Applications are now open and \_\_\_\_\_ would like you to write a letter of reference on their behalf. Applications and letters of reference are due back to the foundation no later than **April 10, 2024 at 11:59PM**. Letters of Reference may be submitted by returning to the student for upload with their application, digitally through the link at [www.bsmmemorial.com/scholarships](http://www.bsmmemorial.com/scholarships), emailed to the Foundation at [Contact@bsmmemorial.com](mailto:Contact@bsmmemorial.com), or mailed to our P.O. Box listed above. We strongly encourage digital submission. If submitting separately from the student's application, please include the student's name in the file name.

Thank you very much for your support!

Sincerely,

Kimberly M. McCarthy  
President, Brian S. McCarthy Memorial Foundation