



Hill-Murray School

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Scholarships & Financial Aid

*Your guide to merit scholarships and
need-based assistance.*

2011
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Hill-Murray offers need-based and merit-based

APPLICATION DEADLINE: JANUARY 15, 2011

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2011-2012

Need-Based Tuition Assistance

Families of students interested in attending Hill-Murray and needing financial assistance may wish to explore Hill-Murray's comprehensive financial aid program.

Q: What is need-based assistance?

Need-based assistance takes the form of grants or scholarships that reduce annual tuition. They do not need to be repaid. "Need-based" means that the amount of tuition is based on the demonstrated financial need of a family; it is the difference between the cost of tuition at Hill-Murray School and the amount a family can be expected to pay toward that tuition.

Q: What assistance is available to my family?

1. Archdiocesan Grants. Up to \$2500 per student may be awarded to families based on need as determined by Tuition Aid Data Services (TADS). Available to students entering grades 9-12. To be considered, a TADS application must be completed online (www.tuitionaid.com). If no online access, contact Ms. Terri Beran in the H-M Business Office at 651-748-2409.

2. Hill-Murray Grants. Families who exhibit financial need beyond what can be met through archdiocesan grants are eligible for Hill-Murray grants. Available to students entering grades 7-12. A TADS application must be completed online (www.tuitionaid.com). If no online access, contact Ms. Terri Beran in the H-M Business Office at 651-748-2409.

3. Scholarships. **Some scholarships are need-based;** some are awarded based on other criteria. See the pages that follow for more information.

Q. What else do I need to know? (IMPORTANT)

- Fewer funds will likely be available to families who apply after the deadline. Apply on time!
- Families taking advantage of our early payment discounts are not eligible for need-based assistance.

assistance in the form of grants and scholarships.

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2) 2011-2012 Scholarship Guidelines & Instructions

Q: May I apply for more than one scholarship? Will it affect my overall assistance award?

Students may apply for more than one scholarship. Usually the receipt of one award will not inhibit the possibility of receiving another. Need-based scholarships, however, will be considered jointly with need-based grants and both components will be considered as part of the total award. Merit-based scholarships are considered independent of need.

Q: What documents do I need to complete in order to apply?

1. You need to complete a Scholarship Application, which can be picked up in the Hill-Murray Admissions Office. Only one application is necessary, even if you apply for more than one scholarship.
2. Scholarships require the completion of an essay on a particular topic. In order to be considered, the candidate should type the essay or be certain that it is written legibly. An essay may be used for more than one scholarship if appropriate to the topic.
3. Essays should be the student's own work and should reflect his/her most recent experiences. Essays resubmitted from year to year or are not the student's own work will be disqualified.

Q: What other requirements are there?

All required documentation must be submitted together, with the application, *except letters of recommendation, which can be mailed separately.*

Applications that are incomplete or are submitted after the deadline, will not be considered. The deadline is January 15, 2011.

A description of available scholarships follows.

Hill-Murray Administered Scholarships

Ancient Order of Hibernians Scholarship

The Ancient Order of Hibernians is an Irish-Catholic fraternal organization that was founded in 1836. It is the oldest Catholic lay organization in America. With a motto of "Friendship, Unity, and Christian Charity," today's AOH participates in many charitable activities in support of the Catholic Church and the local community, while promoting and preserving the Irish cultural heritage.

The Ancient Order of Hibernians Division 4-Ramsey County provides this scholarship to students meeting the following criteria:

- A Catholic student of Irish ancestry, in grade 9 through 12.
- A solid student working to the best of his/her ability, and of good character.
- Demonstrated financial need through the TADS application process.

Applicants meeting the above criteria will submit an essay describing why their Irish and Catholic heritage is an important factor in their lives.

Scholarships are renewable annually. Students must reapply annually.

Amount of the scholarship to be awarded: \$2,000

Frank & Margaret Asenbrenner Scholarship

This scholarship was established by the Pioneer Foundation for the Performing Arts in honor of Frank and Margaret Asenbrenner.

During the 1970 and 1980's, Frank served the Hill-Murray community – first as Principal and then as Superintendent. From the beginning of his tenure with Hill-Murray until he retired in 1997, Frank also served as the director of the vocal and instrumental music programs. During those decades, Margaret was a steadfast and loyal supporter of the students participating in Hill-Murray's music and theater programs, and an integral part of Hill-Murray's community of committed parent volunteers. The Pioneer Foundation for the Performing Arts is proud to sponsor this scholarship with gratitude to Frank and Margaret for their many contributions to the Hill-Murray community.

The scholarship is intended to recognize students who are active and contributing members of the Hill-Murray performing arts community, and who are also making a difference in their community (be that neighborhood, school, or church) through their positive involvement. This is a merit based scholarship.

Application criteria:

- Students must be in grades 9, 10 or 11; awards will be made to students during their sophomore, junior or senior years.

- Recipients may apply for the scholarship in subsequent years. However, it should be noted that renewal of this reward is not automatic and should not be assumed. It is the intent of the PFFPA to provide scholarship recognition to as many students as possible, while continuing to recognize the most deserving of the applicants.
- Applicants should demonstrate a commitment to doing their best in terms of academic and cocurricular efforts.
- Applicants should submit an essay addressing the value of the performing arts in primary or secondary education. The essay can be written from any perspective – the student’s personal experiences, or observations of the impact on others.

Amount: \$1,500. Number of awards to be determined annually.

Eleanor Beckley Scholarship

The Eleanor Beckley Scholarship will be awarded to an incoming freshman at Hill-Murray School. This is a renewable scholarship for up to three additional years. Recipients will be required to submit an application and all related materials to be considered for the renewable funding on an annual basis.

The purpose of this scholarship is to provide financial support and encouragement to deserving students who have a sincere desire to attend Hill-Murray and who have a demonstrated need for tuition assistance.

Additional application criteria:

- Student must complete the Hill-Murray placement exam in January.
- Applicants must be in the eighth grade in the first year of application.
- Applicant must submit an essay written by the candidate describing why he/she wishes to attend Hill-Murray.
- Applicant must submit the TADS application by the deadline date.

Amount: \$1,000

Samuel Buell Creative Arts Fund

Established by the Buell family in loving memory of Samuel Buell, a member of the senior class of the 2000-2001 school year. The purpose of this fund is to provide financial support and encouragement to a deserving junior or senior who shows interest and creativity in the fine arts, writing, or peer helping. Students must submit an essay describing his or her involvement in one of those areas.

Amount: \$500

Scott E. Carlson Scholarship

Established by the Carlson family in loving memory of Scott, a member of the sophomore class in 1995. The purpose of the fund is to provide financial support and encouragement to a deserving sophomore student who might be unable to attend Hill-Murray without assistance.

Additional application criteria:

- Awarded to a current sophomore for his/her junior year.
- Student must have attended Hill-Murray during his/her freshman and sophomore years.
- Submit a TADS application by the deadline date.
- Students must submit an essay describing a personal goal and the specific steps they are taking to achieve it.

Amount: \$1,000

DeLonais Scholarship Fund

The DeLonais Scholarship was established in memory of Eugene and Mildred DeLonais, generous benefactors committed to building a strong future for Hill-Murray School. This scholarship will be awarded to **female** students during their sophomore, junior, or senior years at Hill-Murray. It is intended to provide financial assistance and support to students who are committed, through their involvement and consistent academic results, to be contributing members of the Hill-Murray community.

Candidates for this scholarship will demonstrate an interest in the Hill-Murray community through participation in cocurricular activities and community service, or through other ways of participating in the Hill-Murray experience. The level and degree of activity may differ with each student. Consideration will be given to the quality of the experiences, rather than the number of activities and commitments.

The scholarship is intended to assist active, involved students by providing financial assistance to assure that the Hill-Murray educational experience remains an affordable alternative. Candidates will demonstrate at least a moderate degree of financial need by submission of the TADS financial assistance application forms.

Recipients may apply for scholarship funds in subsequent years, if making satisfactory progress toward graduation and if the need for financial assistance can be demonstrated as a continuing need.

Applicants will submit an essay of two paragraphs or less describing the importance of the Hill-Murray experience in their lives as students.

Amount: Multiple awards of \$1,000 each

Diversity Scholarship

This scholarship is established for students of color who demonstrate strong academic and leadership skills. Please indicate the student's ethnic background under "additional information" on the H-M Scholarship Application.

Amount: To be determined

Fathers Club Merit and Leadership Scholarship

Awarded to incoming freshmen who exhibit leadership qualities and academic accomplishment, and are active in school and community activities.

Additional application criteria:

- Student must be an incoming freshman or a Hill-Murray eighth grader.
- Applicants must submit an essay describing the benefits of a Hill-Murray education.

Amount: Multiple awards of \$1,000 each

Amber C. Godfrey Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established in loving memory of Amber Godfrey, a Hill-Murray graduate in 2000. A member of the National Honor Society, Amber demonstrated a genuine concern for others and dedicated much time and energy to community service. At the time of her passing, she was a college student pursuing her dream of a career in nursing.

The purpose of this scholarship is to encourage deserving students who are active in community service, as recognized by the National Honor Society, and to support them as they prepare for the transition to college life.

Additional application criteria:

- Applicant must be a junior year student who intends to apply for and accept membership to the National Honor Society.
- Applicant must demonstrate a need for tuition assistance per TADS standards.
- Applicant must submit an essay describing:
 - a. His/her motivation to pursue higher education after graduation from Hill-Murray.
 - b. Her/his plan for involvement in community service after graduation from Hill-Murray.

Amount: \$1,000

Maureen Twohy Gunderson Fund

Established in memory of Maureen Twohy Gunderson for a student from St. Mary of the Lake Parish. This student must exhibit academic accomplishment in college preparatory coursework and be involved in studio or performing arts.

Additional application criteria:

- Student must be involved in studio or performing arts through a class, cocurricular activity, or in a service capacity.
- Student must be a member of St. Mary of the Lake Parish.

Amount: \$500

Hill-Murray Alumni Scholarship Fund

A scholarship funded from the proceeds of the annual *Pioneer Classic Golf Tournament* for children or grandchildren of Hill, Archbishop Murray, or Hill-Murray School Alumni.

Additional application criteria:

- Student must be a son, daughter, or grandchild of Hill, Archbishop Murray, or Hill-Murray School Alumni. Please indicate under “additional information” on the Hill-Murray Scholarship Application the alumna or alumnus and relationship to the student.
- Student must submit an essay describing the benefits of a Hill-Murray education.

Amount: Number of awards and amounts to be determined

Hill-Murray Summer Grant Scholarship

Awarded to students in grades 9-12 who exhibit leadership qualities and are active in school and community activities. Students commit to one approximate three-week session over the summer. Summer Grant Scholarship is intended to give students experience in the fields of maintenance and development/alumni relations.

Additional application criteria:

- Complete the Summer Grant form available in the Business and Main Offices in addition to the Scholarship Application. **Both forms must be completed to be eligible for the scholarship.** Incomplete applications will not be considered.
- Submit an essay describing your experience in leadership and ability to work independently.
- An interview with a Hill-Murray staff person may be required.

Amount: Grant amounts based on number of completed hours

Number of awards: Typically 6-10 awards

Shelley Larson Scholarship

The Shelley Ann Larson Memorial Scholarship was established in loving memory of this gifted teacher whose love for life, children, and teaching in a Christian school reflects the values and ideals acquired during her high school years at Hill-Murray.

Candidates for this scholarship will demonstrate the traits that made Shelley a special person and a unique teacher--an interest in children and education; a sincere concern, kindness, and respect for others; and a positive attitude in approaching the challenges facing them.

Application criteria:

- The applicant will submit an essay describing personal experiences and observations regarding children, education, volunteer work, and teaching. Applicants should explain how a personal concern for others and a positive attitude has impacted their lives and those around them.
- Students should have a dedication to academic work, preferably with a B average or higher.
- Applicants should demonstrate a commitment to working to the best of their ability.

Amount: \$500

Radford-Lawrence Scholarship

The Radford-Lawrence Scholarship was established in December 2000 in memory of George and Sally Radford and Bob and Jean Lawrence, parents and grandparents of alumni. Their dedication to Hill-Murray goes back to the beginning of both Hill High School and Archbishop Murray Memorial High School. This scholarship continues their support and encouragement to a Hill-Murray student.

Application criteria:

- Available to any student entering grades 9-12 at Hill-Murray School
- Applicants will qualify for financial aid, as identified by the TADS assessment. However, the degree of need will not be a determining factor.
- Candidates for the scholarship will complete and mail the TADS assessment by the deadline date.
- The candidate will write a personal essay explaining why she/he wishes to attend (or continue to attend) Hill-Murray School. The student should address the following questions:
 - a. What benefits does the student experience from his/her participation in the Hill-Murray community?
 - b. What positive impact does the recipient hope to have on the Hill-Murray community?

Amount: One award of \$2000

Erin Kathleen Metcalf Scholarship Fund

The Erin Kathleen Metcalf Scholarship Fund was established in loving memory of Erin Metcalf, a 2005 graduate of Hill-Murray School. This scholarship will be awarded to students of any grade during their high school careers at Hill-Murray.

The scholarship is intended to provide financial assistance and support to students who are committed and actively engaged through their involvement in the Hill-Murray and/or the broader community and through their consistent academic efforts, to demonstrating the value they place on the educational experience and on being a contributing member of their school and their community.

This scholarship is intended to assist active, involved students by providing financial assistance to assure that the Hill-Murray educational experience remains an affordable alternative to the recipient.

Application criteria:

- Candidates will demonstrate at least a moderate degree of financial need by submission of the TADS financial assistance application forms.
- Recipients may apply for scholarship funds in subsequent years, if making satisfactory progress toward graduation, continue to actively be a part of the Hill-Murray community, and if financial assistance can be demonstrated as a continuing need.
- The applicants will submit an essay of two paragraphs or less describing the importance of the Hill-Murray educational experience and on being a contributing member of their school and community.

Amount: One award of \$2,000

Regan Family Scholarship Fund

The Regan Family Scholarship Fund assists deserving Hill-Murray students with tuition. The award is based on the student's economic need and demonstrated academic productivity. Academic productivity generally can be defined as "honor student" standing. This academic standing is, however, not mandatory. It is sufficient that the student honestly strives to learn to his/her potential, consistent with the student's inherent capabilities. In recent years, this scholarship has been awarded in honor of Brother Leonard Kromhout, Sister Claire Lynch, Brother Lewis Twohig, Sister Mary Charles Branovsky, Brother Hilary Gilmartin, Frank and Margaret Asenbrenner, Sister Pat Collins, and Brother Felix Scanlon. Each year, it will honor a past Hill, Archbishop Murray, or Hill-Murray staff member.

Additional application criteria:

- Students will initially apply as incoming freshman.
- Students who received the award as a freshman may reapply for additional funding in following years.
- Economic need as defined from the TADS application, mailed to TADS by the deadline date.
- Recipients will be **announced in the fall**.

Amount: To be announced at the time the recipients are named

The Scott Richards Memorial Scholarship Fund

Established in memory of Scott Richards (Class of 1981) to support students in need of tuition assistance.

Application criteria:

- Complete and submit the TADS application form by the deadline date.
- Submit an essay stating why it is important to the student to experience a Hill-Murray education.

Amount: One award of \$3,000

Dolores Rigali Barrett Scholarship

Dolores Barrett (born Pia Dolores Rigali) was committed to her Italian heritage and to the importance of Catholic education. She continually emphasized the importance of studying hard and receiving a good education - and made numerous sacrifices in order to help support her children's varied educational, professional and other ambitions. All seven of the Barrett children graduated from Hill-Murray and have college degrees, with many earning advanced degrees.

Although she passed away in 2005, as a lasting legacy to her spirit and commitment, her family would like to help other students attend Hill-Murray. Dolores would be thrilled to be giving something back to both the Twin Cities' Italian community and to a school that has meant so much to her family.

The Dolores Rigali Barrett Scholarship will be awarded annually. Eligible students will meet the following criteria:

- Students in grades 9-12.
- Italian heritage
- Candidates will complete and mail the TADS assessment by the deadline date.
- Solid academic standing - resulting in 3.0 GPA or with demonstrated effort toward reaching that level of academic achievement

Applicants meeting the above criteria will submit an essay describing what their Italian heritage means to them. Scholarships are **renewable annually**. Students must reapply.

Amount of the scholarship to be awarded: \$2,500

To learn more about the Dolores Rigali Barret Scholarship and the Barrett family, visit www.rigalibarrett.com

Mary Jo Rueb Scholarship

The Mary Jo Rueb Scholarship is established in the memory of a person who reflected the Holy Family in her name--Mary and Joseph--and in her life; who spoke to and depended on the Blessed Virgin through her 52 years; and who was a symbol of cheerfulness, enthusiasm, caring, helping and celebrating . . . a mother to anyone in need.

Additional application criteria:

- Applicant must be a female student applying to attend Hill-Murray as an incoming freshman or applying for the renewable scholarship their sophomore or junior year. This student must demonstrate a zest for life and for making others happy, and a love of working with children.
- Applicant must complete the TADS Financial Aid application by the deadline.
- Applicant must submit an essay addressing:
 - a) The reasons the student wishes to attend Hill-Murray;
 - b) Examples which demonstrate the impact the student has had on others in terms of the scholarship criteria;
 - c) Examples which demonstrate the ways in which the student has worked to achieve her goals.

Amount: Up to \$1,500 for a freshman, up to \$1,000 for the renewable sophomore award, and up to \$500 for the renewable junior award

Ron Ryan Memorial Fund

Awarded to a student in Hill-Murray's incoming freshman class in memory of Ron Ryan, a Hill-Murray alumnus. During his years of service in the St. Paul Police Force, Ron was dedicated to providing services and support to members of the east side community. The purpose of the scholarship is to provide support and encouragement to a student from the east side community and to have an impact on that student's high school experience. This is a one-year scholarship.

Additional application criteria:

- Student must take the Placement Exam in January.
- Awarded to an incoming Hill-Murray freshman.
- Applicant must be attending one of the following schools as an eighth grader: Hill-Murray Middle School, Trinity, Presentation, Transfiguration, St. Peter of North St. Paul, St. Pascal, or Blessed Sacrament.
- Applicant must write an essay describing the reasons why she/he wishes to attend Hill-Murray.

Amount: One award of \$500

William Schram Memorial Scholarship Fund

A two-year, renewable scholarship to provide financial support and encouragement to deserving students who would benefit by attending Hill-Murray and who might be unable to attend without substantial financial assistance. Awarded to an incoming Hill-Murray freshman.

Additional application criteria:

- Student must take the Hill-Murray Placement Exam in January.
- Applicants must be in the eighth grade in the first year of application and reapply in ninth grade to receive the renewable scholarship as a sophomore.
- Applicants must write an essay describing why he/she wishes to attend Hill-Murray.

Amount: \$1,000. Number of awards to be determined

Sisters of St. Paul's Monastery Scholarship

Awarded by the Sisters of St. Paul's Monastery to students in need of tuition assistance.

Application criteria:

- Applicant must complete the TADS application by the deadline date.
- Student must take the Hill-Murray Placement Exam in January.

Amount: \$1,000

Tolaas Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship was established in loving memory of Mary P. Tolaas (class of 1979) and Father Greg Tolaas (class of 1974). Applicants must have faced family or personal adversity due to illness, disability or other circumstances. Applicants must provide example to the general student body in his/her attempt to overcome this disability.

Additional application criteria:

- Students should submit an essay explaining the personal adversity due to her/his illness or disability and how she/he provides an example to overcome it.

Amount: To be determined. Renewable as appropriate.

Other Scholarships

The following scholarships are administered by organizations independent of Hill-Murray School. Please contact the agency directly to apply. If the application criteria listed below differ from those provided by the organization, follow the directions on the application provided by the awarding agency.

Sean Lyons Memorial Scholarship

Thomas J. Lyons
342 East County Road D
Little Canada, MN 55117
(651) 770-9707

Application criteria:

- Hill-Murray student entering the 11th grade in the fall.
- Family must be registered members of St. Peter Catholic Church, North St. Paul.
- Students must submit a written letter of application explaining reasons why they wish to continue their education at Hill-Murray in the 11th grade.
- Updated transcripts for freshman and sophomore years and two letters of recommendation (one must be from a 10th grade teacher).
- Applications will be mailed to qualifying students of St. Peter Parish by the Lyons Scholarship Committee.

Deadline: As stated by the Lyons Scholarship Committee.
Amount: One-half year's tuition in junior and senior year.

Pioneer Foundation for the Performing Arts & Donations for Education Fundraising Program

Contacts:

For Pioneer Foundation; Florie Petersen (651) 490-3252; email: PFFPA1987@aol.com
For Donations for Education Fundraising Program; Bob Howard;
email:bobh@DonationsForEducation.org

The Pioneer Foundation for the Performing Arts and the Donations for Education Program, both organizations independent of Hill-Murray School, provide programs for volunteers seeking additional opportunities for tuition assistance grants. These programs for both Hill-Murray students and students enrolled at other schools, provide significant funds for families who wish to volunteer their time and talents. It's easy to learn how your family can take advantage of these programs. See contact information above.

St. Joseph Academy Alumnae Association

Request application in writing. Send self-addressed \$.60 stamped envelope to:

Mrs. Rita Ryan
1450 Bidwell Street, #102
West St. Paul, MN 55118

Applications may be requested any time during February and will be mailed after March 1.

Application criteria:

- Student must be a son/daughter/grandchild of a St. Joseph Academy Alumnae.
- Based on need.

Deadline: May 1. Information to be announced in “Chapter Chat” alumni newsletter
Amount: \$250 - \$1,500

Winifred Thomas - Mary Siedow Award (St. Joseph Academy Alumnae Association)

Request application in writing. Send self-addressed \$.60 stamped envelope to:

Mrs. Rita Ryan
1450 Bidwell Street, #102
West St. Paul, MN 55118

(more)

Applications may be requested any time during February and will be mailed after March 1.

The SJAAA Board, in recognition of the special donations given to our scholarship fund on behalf of Winnie Thomas and Mary Siedow, has voted to award a special community service grant to recognize a female student who has exemplified these benefactors’ socially conscious attributes and generosity.

This will be a one-time award to any female student meeting the criteria.

Application criteria:

- Student must be a daughter/granddaughter of a St. Joseph Alumnae.
- Student must be an applicant for financial aid.
- Applicant must be a female student entering her junior or senior high school year.
- Applicant must present a letter of recommendation from her school and a letter from an organization that she has served.
- Applicant must agree to have her name published, if the SJAAA chooses to do so.

Amount: \$500-1,000

NOTE TO READER: The Denis Tri & Tricia Goken Memorial Scholarship description below was revised after this booklet was printed. The description below is correct.

Denis Tri and Tricia Goken Memorial Scholarship

The Denis Tri ('86) and Tricia Goken ('88) Scholarship Fund was established in loving memory of these graduates of Hill-Murray School. This scholarship, intended to provide financial assistance and support to students who demonstrate outstanding leadership qualities and character, will be awarded to students in their senior year at Hill-Murray.

Application criteria:

- Applicant will be a current Hill-Murray junior.
- Minimum GPA of 3.3.
- Qualify for tuition assistance through submission of the TADS financial assistance application forms.
- Substantiate outstanding leadership qualities and character in an essay

Amount: One award of \$1,000.

Mark Andrew Westerhaus Scholarship

This scholarship commemorates Mark Andrew Westerhaus, a 1999 graduate of Hill-Murray School. It is established to recognize a student who best models the gospel values of compassion and service for others. All eighth grade students at Transfiguration School in Oakdale, MN are eligible for this scholarship. Students need not apply. Selection is made by the H-M Scholarship Committee after consultation with and recommendation from the faculty of Transfiguration School.

Amount: \$500



The Mission of Hill-Murray School

Hill-Murray's mission is to provide an excellent Catholic middle and secondary education program for students of all faiths and races. Hill-Murray is committed to developing creative and responsible leaders for tomorrow's world, who will provide effective moral leadership in their local and global communities. In preparation for this leadership role, Hill-Murray students will receive an education which encourages and promotes:

- C**hristian Values
- L**ife-long Learning
- A**cademic Excellence
- S**piritual Growth
- S**ocial Development



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