



# Wildwood Wildcats Booster Club

Wildwood Middle High School Wildwood, Florida

HELPING WMHS STUDENTS TO SUCCEED

## WWBC SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION 2025-2026

### APPLICANT INFORMATION:

First Name:

Last Name:

Age:

Mailing Address:

City/Zip Code

Personal Email:

Cell Phone:

Parent Name:

Parent Cell Phone:

In 2025-2026, the **Wildwood Wildcat Booster Club (WWBC)** awards approximately \$20,000 to eligible WMHS graduates planning to enroll in an accredited university, college, or postsecondary technical school for Summer/Fall 2026. Scholarship Requirements include:

- Completion of the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Assistance) Application
- Admission to at least one accredited college, university, or postsecondary technical school

**NOTE:** Seniors enrolled in the **Jump Start Scholarship Program** are eligible to apply only for donor-sponsored scholarships, **not** for WWBC Scholarships.

### Scholarship Procedures

- Scholarship due date - **Monday, March 16, 2026**. Submit to Ms. Armstrong, Counselor, the following:
  - Completed WWBC Scholarship Application. Use only the fillable application form provided and type all responses (hand-written responses are not acceptable).
  - Required documents:
    - Digital images confirming FAFSA completion and technical school/college/university acceptance.
    - One letter of recommendation from a teacher, counselor, or other school personnel.
    - Resume - If needed, use the resume template in the Self-Paced College Essay Guide - **Your Story: Unlocking Your Voice**. (NOTE: Guide available on Class Link or check with ELA teacher)
- Interviews conducted in early April 2026 - Applicants participate in a 15-minute interview with members of the Scholarship Committee.
- Rating Guidelines - The Committee assesses eight criteria on a 5-point scale when reviewing each student's application, required documents, and interview.
- Evaluation criteria include: 1. **Academic merit** • 2. **Financial need** • 3. **Extra-curricular activities** (in/out of school) • 4. **Community service** • 5. **Citizenship** • 6. **Attendance** • 7. **Scholarship essays** • 8. **Interview**
- Application information provided is held in strict confidence and is shredded after the review process.
- Scholarship recipients receive award letters via email in early May 2026.
- Scholarship award certificates are presented in late May during the WMHS Senior Awards Ceremony.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

### Select your scholarships:

- Review the list of scholarships provided below.
- Choose your scholarships based on whether you meet the general and specific criteria listed to qualify for each scholarship.
- Indicate the scholarships you are applying for in the right column.

Scholarships (# of Awards)	General Criteria	Specific Criteria	Select Scholarships
<b>WWBC</b> <b># 5-16 – Available funds</b> <b>\$10,000</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Academic merit</li> <li>• Extracurricular activities</li> <li>• Community service</li> <li>• Citizenship</li> <li>• Attendance</li> <li>• Financial need</li> </ul>		<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Donor-Sponsored Scholarships</b>			
<b>James F. May, Jr. Legacy</b> <b># 2 @ \$2,000 each</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GPA 3.0 or above</li> <li>• High school athletics</li> </ul>	Commitment to pursue <b>engineering</b> or <b>construction</b> at any postsecondary institution	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Technical Career Certificate</b> <b>#1 @ \$1,500</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GPA 2.5-3.0 or above</li> <li>• Financial need</li> <li>• Community service</li> </ul>	Commitment to pursue certification in <b>electrical, mechanical, or construction</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>June Rocker Legacy</b> <b>#1 @ \$1,000</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GPA 3.0 or above</li> <li>• Community service</li> </ul>	Commitment to pursue a degree in <b>education</b> at FAMU	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Pam Shirley</b> <b>#1 @ \$1,000</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GPA 2.5 or above</li> <li>• Financial need</li> <li>• Community service</li> </ul>	Commitment to pursue a degree in <b>education</b> or a related field with plans to become a <b>teacher</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Stacey Phelps-Giesen Memorial Scholarship</b> <b>#1-3 – Available funds</b> <b>\$2,000</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GPA 2.5 or above</li> <li>• Financial need</li> <li>• Community service</li> </ul>	Commitment to pursue a degree or certification at any postsecondary institution. Describe the importance of your community service to your college and/or career plan.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Rainbow Family &amp; Friends Club</b> <b>#1 @ \$500</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GPA 2.5-3.0 or above</li> <li>• Financial need</li> <li>• Community service</li> </ul>	Commitment to fostering community leadership	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Donor-Sponsored Scholarships Only

### Commitment to pursue Specific Criteria: (50 Words)

For each Donor-Sponsored Scholarship that you selected, write a **50-word essay** describing your commitment to:  
(a) pursue a degree/certification and/or (b) address the specific criteria required for the scholarship.

#### James F. May, Jr. Legacy - Certification/Degree in Engineering or Construction

#### Technical Career Certificate - Certification/Degree in Electrical, Mechanical, or Construction

#### June Rocker Legacy - Degree in Education at FAMU

#### Pam Shirley – Degree/Certification in Education: Teaching or related field

*Stacey Phelps-Giesen – Your chosen Certification or Degree program and the impact of community service on your career or college pathway.*

#### Rainbow Family & Friends Club – Community Leadership

## Your Future in College & Career (WWBC & Donor-Sponsored Scholarships)

1. Name your **technical school/college/university**? Ex. *Lake Sumter State College/College of Central FL/Withlacoochee Technical College*

Choice 1	
Choice 2	

2. What is your **Career Pathway/Field of Study** (Ex. *Health, Digital Media, Business, etc.*)?

Use the websites below to identify a field of study and a major.

- [List of 200 College Majors: Which Is Right For You? | CollegeVine Blog](#)
- [20 Certification Programs for Careers That Pay Well | Careers | U.S. News](#)
- [From Class Link, search XELLO. Go the EXPLORE—CAREERS](#)

Choice 1	
Choice 2	

3. Name your **Target Job**: Ex. *Emergency Medical Technician, Emergency Room Nurse*

Use the websites below to identify your future career.

- [K-12 : Student Resources : U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics](#)
- [Careers and Career Information - CareerOneStop](#)
- [From Class Link, search XELLO. Go to EXPLORE – CAREERS or MAJORS](#)

For your **Target Job**, name or describe the following:

Categories	Required – Names & Descriptions
Career Pathway	
Job Title(s)	
Certification/Degree	

***Your Story: Unlocking Your Voice***

To learn more about you, your goals, and your future success, you will write short essays (50-words each) to react to the **Scholarship Prompt**:

*The lessons we take from obstacles we encounter can be fundamental to later success. Recount a time when you faced a challenge, setback, or failure. How did it affect you, and what did you learn from the experience?*

Use the Self-Paced College Essay Guide - ***YOUR STORY: UNLOCKING YOUR VOICE*** to assist you in writing your short essay for each section. (NOTE: Guide available on Class Link or check with ELA teacher)

**Paragraph 1: A challenge, setback, or failure** (Guide: Step 3 & 4 [Para. 1] on pp. 21 & 24)

1. Describe in detail **only one** challenge, setback, or obstacle. (50 words) Remember: 5Ws (Guide p.21)

**Paragraph 2: How did it affect you?** (Guide: Step 4 [Para. 2] on pp. 21-22 & 24)

1. Describe how the challenge impacted you and your life. (50 words)

2. How did you overcome the effects of the setback? (50 words)

**Paragraph 3: What lessons did you learn from the experience?** (Guide: Step 4 [Para. 3] on pp. 22 & 24)

1. Describe the lessons learned from your experience. (50 words)

2. What motivated you to push forward and seek a better future? (50 words)

**Paragraph 4: Discuss your later successes in college, career, and life** (Guide: Step 4 [Para. 4] on pp. 22 & 24-25)

1. Use the following prompts to write your essay:

- Dream big! What is your passion (p. 25)
- Where do you see yourself in 10 years in your career?
  - Name the company you hope to work for in 10 years.
  - Mention your future role: General Manager, Publix • Owner/Manager, Hair salon.

**Later successes in college, career, and life** (50 words) Remember: 5Ws (Guide p.21)