



League of Women Voters of the
Hamptons, Shelter Island and the North
Fork

**THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
BETTY DESCH SCHOLARSHIP
2024
SCHOLARSHIP AMOUNT \$2,000
APPLICATION**

NAME OF STUDENT APPLICANT _____

CELL PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

HIGH SCHOOL _____

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: FRIDAY, MARCH 22, 2024

MAIL APPLICATION TO:

**LWVHSNF
PO BOX 2253
East Hampton, New York 11937**



**LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS
BETTY DESCH SCHOLARSHIP FOR LEADERSHIP
THROUGH CIVIC ENGAGEMENT
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DESCRIPTION

The award is given annually to one student from an eligible school on a competitive basis. The submitted essays are judged by a League committee using a rubric reflecting relevance, adherence to instructions, and quality of writing.

CRITERIA

- Student shall be a senior graduating from a public high school.
- Student shall use the funds for further education or training.
- Student shall submit their entry by Friday, March 22, 2024.

INSTRUCTIONS

In a one-page essay describe a leadership role you took to bring about change through civic engagement. The focus should be on the effect it had on you as well as others. This action could have been at the school, community, or local government level(s). Please incorporate any activity that might have had a League of Women Voters connection.

Using your leadership skills, you might have shown:

- Commitment to achieve goals.
- Initiative and good judgement.
- Effort to motivate a diverse group.
- Ability to compromise, seek out and listen to divergent points of view.

PROCEDURE FOR NOMINATION

1. Together with the required essay, submit two letters of support from people familiar with the leadership role you have written about. These may be letters from community members, mentors, organizational representatives. We are not seeking letters from teachers, unless relevant to the essay topic.
2. Do not submit transcripts of grades or courses taken.
3. Mail to LWVHSINF, PO Box 2253, East Hampton, NY 11937, postmarked by Friday, March 22, 2024
4. If you have any questions, please call Martha Potter 631-725-0450.

SELECTION OF AWARD RECIPIENT

- **The Youth Committee of the LWVHSINF will make a recommendation to the Board of Directors of the League for its approval.**
- **The League will inform the school and the recipient.**
- **The award will be given to the student at the League's annual meeting on Sunday, May TBD 2024. The recipient is required to attend the award ceremony. Friends and family are also invited.**
- **A League representative may be present at the school's award ceremony.**