



WEST BROOKFIELD HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
PO. BOX 372 WEST BROOKFIELD, MASS. 01585

2025

## WEST BROOKFIELD HISTORICAL COMMISSION SCHOLARSHIP

The West Brookfield Historical Commission is pleased to announce its 14<sup>th</sup> annual scholarship in the amount of \$2,000.00. The scholarship will be awarded to a graduating Senior resident of West Brookfield. Eligible students include students attending Quaboag Regional High School, home-schooled or school choice students attending another high school or independent school.

This award is made possible through the J. Irving and Jane L. England Charitable Trust.

### Application Criteria:

The students must be planning to attend either a four-year college/university program or a two-year college with the intent to a transfer to a four-year college. The Commission will show preference to study plans with concentration on History and History-related areas. Major or minors may include Political Science, Social Studies, Anthropology, Archaeology, Material Culture and Museum Studies, and Education in any of these related fields.

Applicants must submit a brief essay based on one of the Notable Persons or Significant Places and Events listed below to the West Brookfield Historical Commission. Essays will be judged on content, organization, accuracy, grammar, and must include all references. All submissions must be researched and written by the student.

Essays are due no later than April 11, 2025.

How did the Person or Place/Event impact life in West Brookfield?

#### Notable Persons

#### Significant Places and Events

John Pynchon	Foster Hill
Lucy Stone	King Philip's War
J. Irving England	The Rock House

Essay must be 500-750 words. Format should use 1/2-inch margins, Times New Roman, 12 point, single spaced. Please include an MLA format bibliography of *your own* resources used to research your essay. (e.g. If you use Wikipedia for one resource, note only the Wikipedia URL- not the resources the contributor utilized.) Essays will be submitted to post box above or by email as PDF attachment to: [info@westbrookfield.org](mailto:info@westbrookfield.org)

The Scholarship will be paid to the recipient upon successfully completing their first semester of college, after proof of completion and enrollment in second semester courses are submitted to the Historical Commission by February 14, 2026.



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Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

High School: \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

College or University: \_\_\_\_\_

Major: \_\_\_\_\_ Minor: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you participated in any Community Service projects? Please list below:

Dates	Organization	Description of Service	Supervisor

Career Plans:

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Please return completed application with essay on or before April 11, 2025 to:  
West Brookfield Historical Commission Scholarship Committee  
P.O. 372, West Brookfield, Mass. 01585  
PDF format to Email: [info@westbrookfield.org](mailto:info@westbrookfield.org)