

**HUDSON VALLEY SCHOOL FOOD SERVICE DIRECTORS Coalition**  
**STEVEN E. PINELLI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
**ELVALEE WOODSIDE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**  
**MAVOURNEEN A. HUBBARD SCHOLARSHIP**

**Sponsored by: Hudson Valley School Food Service Directors Coalition**

March 5, 2025

Dear Guidance Department and Family & Consumer Science Coordinators:

Each year the Hudson Valley School Food Service Directors will make available, to a graduating senior, the STEVEN PINELLI MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP, THE ELVALEE WOODSIDE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP and MAVOUREEN A. HUBBARD.

Three (3) separate \$1500.00 scholarships will be awarded to three best Senior applicants planning to attend an institution of higher education with a major course of study in Food Service, Hospitality, Hotel Management or Dietetics.

**Enclosed are the necessary application materials. Email your completed application by April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025, to Larry Anthony at [l.anthony@ppcsd.org](mailto:l.anthony@ppcsd.org). Your application will be forwarded to our Scholarship Committee for review and evaluation.**

Late applications will be void. The student must complete the entire application. An announcement of the award recipient will be made in **May 2025**. If you have any questions, contact your District's Food Service Director.

Sincerely,

Hudson Valley School Food Service Directors Scholarship Committee.

Name of applicant \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate \_\_\_\_\_ Grad Year \_\_\_\_\_

School District \_\_\_\_\_ Name of School \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Applicants:** This \$1500.00 scholarship shall be awarded to an individual who is planning to attend an institution of higher education. This may be a 2 or 4-year college, Technical School or a 1-year program (not BOCES), with the expressed intent of preparing for a career in food service. This may include food preparation, school nutrition, institutional food service or dietetics, etc.

Applications should demonstrate an independent spirit, care and concern for others, some combination of noteworthy work experience, community service or extracurricular involvement and academic merit. In addition, the application must include two (2) non-family recommendations.

Although high academic achievement shall not be primary criteria, a reasonable expectation of success of the student at the college level shall be part of the consideration.

**Attach a copy of your transcript.**

**Attach two (2) non-family references.**

This application will be considered VOID if not completed in its entirety.

**Selection:** Three individuals will be chosen to receive one of each of these scholarships. The scholarships will be awarded during the month of May.

These scholarships were created in memory of three former School Food Service Directors from the Hudson Valley Region.

**The Elvalee Woodside** scholarship is to honor the first Food Service Director of the Arlington Central School District. She had a positive influence on children and adults her entire life. For 26 years, Elvalee Woodside's innovative creative nature and positive attitude set the stage for one of the most successful school lunch programs in the NY state. "A well-fed child is a learning child" was her motto her entire career.

**The Steve E. Pinelli** scholarship is in recognition of the work of Steve as a pioneer in the school foodservice industry. Through his dedication, perseverance, and hard work Steve helped change the image and perception of school food service from a basic institutional governmental program to a quality driven professional industry. His involvement in local and national school food service organizations gave the industry great exposure and helped pave the way for many new positive program rules and regulations. Steve's innovative ideas, administrative and operational, have been the basis for the way many current school food service programs are operated.

**The Mavoureen A. Hubbard** scholarship is in recognition of the work "Vonnie" has performed in the 40 plus years in Child Nutrition and local food pantries and kitchens. Vonnie's dedication and commitment to the Child Nutrition industry spanned over multiple districts within the Hudson Valley. Vonnie has inspired and mentored many of our current Directors with words of wisdom and encouragement even during her retirement years. Vonnie's ambitions were instrumental in the field of Child Nutrition.

**Attach extra pages for any answers.**

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

Date of Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Class Offices Held \_\_\_\_\_

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Extracurricular activities  
(Clubs, band, sports, organizations): \_\_\_\_\_

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Food Service-Related activities

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Community Service activities

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Work Experience \_\_\_\_\_

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Tell us about yourself and what you hope to achieve in your college experience.

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Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Address of College of Acceptance: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Accepted \_\_\_\_\_

***Please note that you will be required to provide proof of attendance in the food service-related classes at your institution once enrollment has begun. Scholarship funds will be sent directly to the college in your name.***

Please tell us about any financial circumstances that concern you or your family for your college responsibilities.

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Parent or Guardian (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact information: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**References:** (Please attach at least two (2) references. Do not include your immediate family).

**High School Transcript** – (Please attach copy)

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICANT:** Be sure to complete all sections of this application and return to your Guidance Counselor for submission to Larry Anthony by Monday April 21, 2025. Feel free to use additional pages if you wish to tell the committee more about yourself and your goals. Email your submissions to [l.anthony@ppcsd.org](mailto:l.anthony@ppcsd.org)