Skowhegan Savings Bank announces the 2024 ***Skowhegan Savings Bank Scholarship Program.*** Under the Program, eight $2,000 scholarships will be awarded to graduating seniors attending high schools in the following regions served by Skowhegan Savings Bank.

*\*\*\*Please note that children of bank employees are not eligible to apply.*

Available Scholarships:

***Region 1:* Two (2) $2,000 scholarships are available to graduating high school seniors attending Mt. Blue High School, Mt. Abram Regional High School and Rangeley Lakes Regional High School.**

***Region 2*: Two (2) $2,000 scholarships are available to graduating high school seniors attending Cony High School, Dexter Regional High School, Lawrence High School and Maine Central Institute.**

***Region 3*: Three (3) $2,000 scholarships are available to graduating high school seniors attending Forest Hills Consolidated School, Carrabec High School, Madison Area Memorial High School, Upper Kennebec Valley Senior High School and Skowhegan Area High School.**

***Region 4:* One (1) $2,000 scholarship is available to graduating high school seniors attending Portland High School, Deering High School and Casco Bay High School.**

Program Guidelines & Priorities:

\* Seeking graduating seniors with a record of volunteerism in the community in non-school sponsored activities. Seeking graduating seniors who make a positive contribution to their school community through participation in extracurricular school activities.

\* Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and plan to attend a 2 or 4 year college.

\* Scholarship funds will be paid ***in December 2024 or January 2025 for the second semester of the student’s first year*** ***directly to the college***and not to the student. It will be the student’s responsibility to submit to Skowhegan Savings Bank at that time, an invoice for second semester tuition and fees, student ID number and college information along with evidence of student’s good standing.

\* Applicants must have the endorsement of their Guidance Counselor on their application attesting they are a qualified fit for this scholarship program. ***Skowhegan Savings strongly suggests that each high school present this opportunity to the strongest applicants that match this program’s guidelines.*** Application deadline is ***April 1, 2024.*** Students should submit their applications to their Guidance Counselor with guidance departments sending the applications to the address listed below. Late applications are not accepted.

\*Applicants must also have a letter of recommendation from a teacher, coach, other school staff or employer.

Mail one copy of a completed typed application package to: Skowhegan Savings Bank

*(This includes application with signoff by Guidance Department, essay,* c/o Scholarship Committee

*resume, letter of recommendation and school transcript.)* P.O. Box 250

 Skowhegan, ME 04976

Completed applications may also be emailed to sstanley@skowhegansavings.com

Guidance departments will be notified directly of the selected recipients in May 2024.

Please submit any questions to: sstanley@skowhegansavings.com

**Scholarship APPLICATION 2024**

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|  Please **type** your answers or print legibly.  |
| 1. | Last Name:  | First Name:  |
| 2. | Mailing Address:Street: City: State: Zip:  |
| 3. | Daytime Telephone Number: Email Address:  |
| 4. | Date of Birth MM/DD/YYYY: |
| 5. | Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) (On a 4.0 scale): Attach proof of GPA. Your most recent school transcript is required.  |
| 6. | Name and location of High School attending:  |
| 7. | **(If your resume or activities sheet answers question 7, please attach and skip to Question 8.)** 1. List any academic honors, awards and membership activities while in high school:
2. List your hobbies, outside interests, extracurricular activities and school related volunteer activities:
3. List your non-school sponsored volunteer activities in the community:
4. List any employment history:
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| 8. | A. If you have decided on what college you will attend, please list school name:B. If not, list your top 3 college choices:  |

**9. On a separate sheet or in the space below, please type an essay (250 - 500 words) answering the questions below:**

Describe how volunteer or community service has shaped who you are today and what community service or involvement in your school community has taught you. Also discuss in your essay any challenges or obstacles you have dealt with and overcome in life and how this might help you succeed in college and beyond. How do you make your community a better place to live and work?

### STATEMENT OF ACCURACY FOR STUDENTS

I hereby affirm that all the above stated information provided by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge. I also consent that if chosen as a scholarship winner my picture may be taken and used to promote Skowhegan Savings Bank’s scholarship program.

I hereby understand that if chosen as a scholarship winner, according to Skowhegan Savings Bank Scholarship policy, it is my responsibility to remit to the Skowhegan Savings Bank the appropriate information for my scholarship to be paid directly to my educational institution for my second semester in December 2024/January 2025.

I hereby understand I will not submit this application without all required attachments and supporting information. Incomplete applications or applications that do not meet eligibility criteria will not be considered for this scholarship.

**Signature of scholarship applicant: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**STATEMENT OF SUPPORT BY GUIDANCE COUNSELOR**

I hereby affirm that this application meets the criteria set forth by this scholarship program and that I support this application to Skowhegan Savings Bank.

Name of Guidance Counselor submitting the application:

High School:

Contact information (email and phone):

**Signature of Guidance Counselor: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**FOR GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT USE ONLY**

**Checklist**

\_\_\_ Application

\_\_\_ Essay

\_\_\_ Resume/Activity Sheet

\_\_\_ Guidance Counselor signature

\_\_\_ School Transcript

\_\_\_ Letter of Recommendation

**MAIL COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE TO SKOWHEGAN SAVINGS BANK AT:**

**Skowhegan Savings Bank**

**c/o Scholarship Committee**

**P.O. Box 250**

**Skowhegan, ME 04976**

**REMINDER:**

**The deadline for this application to be received by Skowhegan Savings Bank Scholarship Committee is:**

 **APRIL 1, 2024 NO EXCEPTIONS**