

2025 Caitlin Scarberry Memorial Scholarship

DEADLINE: March 28th

(Return to Mrs. Mertel by 3:00 PM on 3/28)

NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED!

Application requirements - Include all of the following:

- a. **RESUME:** Please include the following for your 9th-12th grade time frame
- **Education** - Middle schools, high schools, and dates of attendance
 - **Awards/Certificates** - List and describe awards and indicate years received
 - **Extracurricular Activities** - List activities, clubs, and sports in which you participated. Indicate leadership/officer positions held, responsibilities, and number of hours/year(s) of participation.
 - **Community Service** - Include charitable, civic, and community organizations for which you volunteered. Indicate responsibilities and number of hours/year(s) of participation.
 - **Work Experience** - List any job positions you have held and the responsibilities of each job

b. **SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS** - **Caitlin Scarberry Memorial Scholarship**

Award: \$5,000

The Caitlin Scarberry Memorial Scholarship was established to honor the memory of Caitlin Scarberry, a 2014 Santa Susana High School graduate, who died from brain cancer on October 16, 2021. Caitlin was a successful software engineer who worked for a very large tech company. She also had a passion for a large variety of interests ranging from fantasy fiction, Anime, video games, history, and economics to Broadway musicals, painting and crocheting. Everyone who knew her spoke of her kindness and brilliance. Some of her favorite classes were AP Computing, AP English and AP Calculus. Caitlin developed a love of computer programming at a very young age and taught herself some programming languages. She was a National Merit Scholar and received a Regent Scholarship all four years at UCSB. She was accepted to the program at UCSB which let her obtain her combined Bachelor's and Master's degrees in 5 years. She had hoped to go on to pursue a PhD after working in the field for a few years. She often spoke about being the only female in the room in her classes. Encouraging females to pursue this field was very important to Caitlin. This scholarship is designed to encourage female students to pursue careers in Computer Science and Engineering.

Scholarship Requirements: The recipient must be a graduating female senior at Westlake High School. The recipient must have a passion for computer science and computer engineering and a sincere interest in pursuing a career in computer science or computer engineering or a

field that is dependent on computer science. The recipient must be planning to attend a 4 year college with a computer science major. The recipient must provide a personal essay describing how their interest in the computer science field developed and their goals for their future on the reverse side of this application. One letter of recommendation is required from a teacher in the computer department.

- c. **TWO LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION** - Your letters of recommendation can be supplied by teachers, counselors, employer or family friends. NO family members.
*Remember to give ample time to your recommenders when requesting a letter of recommendation from them.

- d. **CURRENT UNOFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT** ♦

2024 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION:
STUDENT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Address: _____

Email address: _____

Cell Phone number: _____

Date of birth: _____ Place of birth: _____

Cumulative GPA (4.0 scale): _____ Weighted GPA (5.0 scale): _____

Test scores if applicable: SAT or ACT, AP

SAT/ACT	AP Exam (if taken) & score	

Do you have a job (yes/no)? _____ How many hours per week are you working? _____

Name of Workplace & Manager:

Phone # of Workplace: _____

Other high schools you have attended & dates of attendance, if applicable:

What college(s) did you apply to?

What college(s) have you received acceptances from so far?

What college do you plan to attend in the fall, if known?

What is your intended major? How do you plan to use your major/occupational goal?

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION:
PARENT INFORMATION

Father's Full Name: _____

Father's Employer & Occupation: _____

Mother's Full Name: _____

Mother's Employer & Occupation: _____

Number of family members currently living at home (including yourself): _____

Do both parents live at home? ☐ YES ☐ NO

Ages of dependent children (other children in household number): _____

Number of students in your family attending college full-time next year (including yourself):

How do you plan to finance your child's college education (FAFSA, loans, scholarship, etc.)?

Are there any unusual or special circumstances regarding your family's financial status that you wish to bring to the attention of the scholarship committee? (Attach a separate sheet if necessary)

Did you & your parents complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) or the California Dream Act Application? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Is there anything else you would like to share that was not covered elsewhere in the application that you feel the scholarship committee should know to accurately assess your application?

I declare that the information provided above is true and correct.

Date: _____ Parent Signature: _____

I declare that the information provided in this application is my own work and is true and correct.

Date: _____ Student Signature: _____