METHUEN
FESTIVAL OF TREES

2026 Scholarship Program

The applicant for a Methuen Festival of Trees scholarship must be a resident of the Merrimack Valley who is a high school senior.

The criteria for selection of successful candidates include:

- Complete application
- Community and school involvement
- Grades and academic qualifications
- Financial need
- Volunteers at the Festival of Trees and/or students pursuing studies in historic preservation or related disciplines

Relatives of the Methuen Festival of Trees Board of Directors are not eligible to apply.

For a qualified candidate to be considered for a scholarship, each of the following items is required* and considered to be an integral part of the candidate's application package:

- Completed Festival of Trees scholarship application (can be downloaded at http://methuenfestivaloftrees.com/festival-news/scholarships/)
- Official transcript of your scholastic record (9th through first semester of 12th grade)
- Résumé, including high school activities, work experience, awards, etc.
- Essay completed in 300 words or less
- Letter of recommendation from a teacher or school administrator

All information will be held in strict confidence. To be considered for the scholarship, the application must be postmarked by March 13, 2026. Please mail the application to **Methuen Festival of Trees Scholarship, P.O. Box 14, Methuen, MA 01844.**

Recipients of the scholarships will be notified by April 24, 2026 and will be invited to attend the annual meeting of the Methuen Festival of Trees with their parents to accept the award. The meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, June 15, 2026; however, that's obviously subject to change. If you have any questions or have not received confirmation that we have received your application by April 3, 2026, please email scholarship@methuenfestivaloftrees.com.

Application Form
Methuen Festival of Trees, Inc.

2026 Scholarship Award

Part One: General Information:

Applicant's Full Name:	
Address:	
Telephone:	E-Mail Address:
School Currently Attending:	
Plans for future education (Include college acceptances and/or course of study planned.)	
Have you been involved in the Festival of Trees? If yes, please describe how you've been involved. If you've been a volunteer, please tell us when and what assignments you completed.	

Note: We will confirm receipt of your application via email. If you haven't received a confirmation by April 3, 2026, please contact scholarship@methuenfestivaloftrees.com.

Part Two: Academic and Activities Information:

Please attach:

- A copy of your transcript
- A recommendation from a teacher or school administrator
- A resume or list of your activities/academic pursuits/employment experiences/awards

Part Three: Financial Information:

Father's Name, Occupation and Employer:			
Mother's Name, Occupation and Employer:			
List other dependent children in the family:			
Name:	Age:	School:	Grade:
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Name:	Age:	School:	Grade:

Colleges to which you have been accepted:
College you plan to attend:

Published expenses of that college:	
Tuition:	
Room and Board:	
Book and Supplies:	
Other (name):	
Total Estimated Expenses:	

Estimated contributions:	
From parents/relatives:	
Own contributions:	
Financial aid from school:	
Loans:	
Scholarships:	
Work programs:	
Other:	
Total Estimated Contributions:	

Part Four: **Other Information:**

Are there any special circumstances (financial or other) that the Committee should take into consideration when reviewing your application?

Part Five: **Essay:**

Please attach an essay of 300 words or less that responds to the follow:

How does restoration and preservation contribute to the community? After you complete your college education, how could you aid in promoting historic restoration and preservation in your community? If applicable, tell us in a few sentences how your experience volunteering at the Festival of Trees helped you become more aware of the need for preservation of historic sites in your community.