

SOUTHERN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

OF OCEAN COUNTY

Craig Henry Chief School Administrator

December 12, 2025

Dear Members of the Class of 2026 and Parents/Guardians,

The Southern Regional School District is pleased to announce the Class of 2026 Southern Regional Scholarship Program. This program has helped many graduates continue their education at top colleges, universities, and post-secondary schools. Last year, the Class of 2025 received \$1,034,732.00 in local scholarships from 312 donor groups, awarded to 308 students. Our community's strong commitment to students makes this program truly special, and we are proud to offer it and value it greatly.

All members of the Class of 2026 are encouraged to apply. To be considered for a scholarship, students <u>MUST</u> complete the online scholarship application, which will be available on the district's website beginning December 12. The application deadline is **January 31 at 5:00 p.m**. Please note that there will be no extensions to this deadline. Enclosed are instructions for completing the online scholarship application.

Approximately 90% of donor organizations select recipients based on their criteria, which may require additional information, such as applications, essays, or transcripts. The remaining 10% of Scholarships are awarded by a committee of teachers, guidance counselors, and administrators, following donor guidelines.

Students are encouraged to check the district's website regularly for updates, as new scholarships are frequently added.

Important Scholarship Dates

December 12 Application Opens

January 31 Application Closes at 5:00 p.m.

May 11 Students selected to receive a scholarship will be notified via email at 3:00 p.m.

May 17 Scholarship Night RSVP Due (link in student email). Students are expected to attend.

May 28 Scholarship Awards Ceremony at 7:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Kristie Prescott, the local scholarship project manager, at kprescott@srsd.net.

Sincerely,

Craig Henry

Chief School Administrator

SOUTHERN REGIONAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

<u>Directions</u>: To complete the scholarship application, please follow the instructions below. Please note that this application is not mobile-friendly. Parents are encouraged to review the completed application.

- 1. Go to www.srsd.net
- 2. Go to the Guidance tab and select Scholarships
- 3. Click Scholarship Application
- 4. Click **Apply Now**
- 5. Click on "Log in using Google"
 - a. <u>Username</u>: first letter of your first name, last name, and the last 2 digits of your graduation year, and then @srsd.org. **EXAMPLE**: chenry26@srsd.org
 - b. Password: the password you use to log into your District Google Account.
- 6. Enter the five-digit student ID
- 7. Enter the student's birth date
- 8. Click on "Verify Identity"
- 9. Complete the application
- 10. All fields marked with a *red asterisk* must be completed for the form to be submitted
- 11. If you are unable to complete the application in one session, you can select SAVE AS DRAFT
- 12. If you SAVE AS DRAFT, you must go back and click SAVE by January 31
- 13. Students and parents will receive email confirmation when the application is SAVED

Please note:

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If you have any questions, please contact Kristie Prescott in the Board Office at kprescott@srsd.net or Briana Ott in the guidance office at bott@srsd.net.