



## Anthony Wayne Area Democratic Club Scholarship

Waterville, Ohio 43566-0212

The **2026 Anthony Wayne Area Democratic Club Scholarship** will be awarded to a graduating senior who; 1) has demonstrated school and community involvement 2) recognizes the importance of the democratic process, and 3) plans to continue their education or job training after graduating from Anthony Wayne High School.

**PURPOSE:** This scholarship shall be awarded to defray the cost of tuition, room and board, equipment or tools, or books and supplies, while attending a post-secondary institution.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Any graduating senior in the Anthony Wayne School District is eligible to apply, including those attending Penta Career Center. **Children and grandchildren of members of the Anthony Wayne Area Democratic Club are not eligible to receive this award.**

**AMOUNT:** One scholarship of \$500 shall be awarded.

**ANNOUNCING THE AWARD:** The award will be announced at the Senior Awards Ceremony at AWHS and the recipient will be invited to our club meeting on May 12<sup>th</sup> at the Waterville Public Library.

### **CRITERIA FOR DETERMINING THE WINNER:**

- A. **Original essay and interview (60%)** Being “democratic” signifies a commitment to equality, the rule of law, protecting individual rights, and ensuring decisions reflect the collective will. In 500 words or less...

Describe and analyze an act of political courage to defend one of these democratic principles by yourself or someone you admire. Include an analysis of the obstacles, risks, and consequences associated with the act. The essay may concern an issue at the local, state, national, or international level.

**The interview will be conducted remotely via Zoom. Applicants will be asked to defend positions taken in essay and answer some general questions from the committee**

- B. **Character and personal involvement in school and community (20%)**

The applicant must submit three letters of recommendation, along with a resume (listing school and community activities and work experiences)

### **C. Scholarship (20%)**

Consideration shall be given to grade point and course or subject preparation for college or trade school, as well as any demonstrated talent which may not be reflected in academic achievement.

**All applications must be completed and returned by Friday, April 17th, 2026**

**Fully completed applications should be forwarded to:**

Michelle Reid, Guidance Counselor at Anthony Wayne High School

Liz Cook, Student Services Secretary at Penta Career Center, or sent to

Bill Tucholski, Scholarship Chairperson, 7359 Coder Rd., Maumee, Ohio 43537

A winner will be determined on or about May 1st, with presentation of the award on Wednesday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at the monthly meeting of the AWADC. The local media will ask permission of you and parents/family for a photograph to share with readers.

## Anthony Wayne Area Democratic Club Scholarship Application Cover Sheet

Make sure you complete all sections below (INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED)

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE ASSEMBLE THE FOLLOWING** (check them off as you assemble them)

\_\_\_\_\_ Official Transcript (sealed)

\_\_\_\_\_ 3 Letters of Recommendation (sealed) that must be from:

\_\_\_\_\_ a teacher

\_\_\_\_\_ a second teacher or some other school official

\_\_\_\_\_ one additional person (NOT a relative)

\_\_\_\_\_ Resume which includes; a) school activities, including offices you held and honors received b) work experience and c) community involvement (youth groups, church, scouts, etc.)

\_\_\_\_\_ a 500 word maximum essay that is original (not AI-generated or a cut and paste from another scholarship application)

### **YOUR POST GRADUATION PLANS**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(name of college, university or job training facility you plan to attend)

\_\_\_\_\_ accepted \_\_\_\_\_ pending acceptance \_\_\_\_\_ not yet applied

\_\_\_\_\_  
(intended area of study)

## Anthony Wayne Area Democratic Club Scholarship Waiver

I understand that this scholarship of \$500 will only be awarded to a graduating high school senior from Anthony Wayne High School or an Anthony Wayne student graduating from Penta. **Children and grandchildren of AWADC Members are not eligible for this award.**

I understand that I will be asked to meet with the scholarship committee to discuss my essay and application.

I understand that this scholarship must be used for the sole purpose of defraying related educational expenses and that the decision of the scholarship committee is final.

I understand that I will be asked to attend a meeting of the Anthony Wayne Area Democratic Club for the presentation of the scholarship and cash award.

\_\_\_\_\_ (signature)

\_\_\_\_\_ (date submitted)