

**GFWC Maine and Maine Council for Elder Abuse Prevention
Scholarship Application**

Deadline: Postmarked by April 1, 2026

Return applications to:
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GFWC (General Federation of Women's Clubs) Maine and the Maine Council for Elder Abuse Prevention (MCEAP) are working together to raise awareness about elder abuse in Maine. GFWC Maine and MCEAP are pleased to announce a \$1,000 scholarship to be awarded to a Maine student who has successfully completed requirements for graduation from a Maine high school in 2026 and who will be attending college or a certification program as a full-time student during the 2026-2027 academic year. A winner will also be selected from each participating county and will be awarded a \$50 scholarship.

Criteria for selection include: an essay with content about elder abuse and your academic average. The completed application should contain: 1. A 550-650 word, double-spaced essay in response to the question: "What is elder abuse and what is your solution?" 2. A copy of your high school transcripts, 3. A letter of acceptance from a college or university as soon as possible but due no later than May 1. Please refrain from including personal information and names of individuals in the essay or using artificial intelligence (AI) in the writing of the essay. If the applicant uses any form of AI in writing the essay, the essay will be disqualified from consideration.

Student Information

1. Name _____ Phone _____
2. Home Address _____ County _____
3. Email Address _____
4. College planning to attend _____

Signatures

All of the above information is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. The attached essay is my own, original work and I have not used AI tools. I understand that my essay may be edited and will become public and will be distributed in a variety of ways in whole or in part, including but not limited to the following: read in a public setting, published in newspapers or newsletters, and available online.

If you do not want your name attributed to the essay, please check the box here ☐

Student Signature _____ **Date** _____
Parent/legal guardian _____ **Date** _____