



2026 John J. Murphy Scholarship Application

The John J. Murphy Scholarship program is available to employees who have a current member in Food Shippers of America.

We encourage all interested students to apply. The first place winner will be invited to attend the Food Shippers of America annual conference for a presentation of the scholarship award. A total of \$22,500 will be awarded.

Placement	Award
1st Place	\$ 7,500
2nd Place	\$ 5,000
3rd Place	\$ 4,000
4th Place	\$ 3,000
5th Place	\$ 2,000
6th Place	\$ 1,000
Grand Total	\$22,500

Scholarship applications and references must be **received** by December 31, 2025.

The guidelines for becoming an applicant for this scholarship are as follows:

1. Applicant must be a child or dependent (including spouses) of an employee that has at least one member whose Food Shippers of America membership dues are current. Current member companies may be confirmed at <https://www.foodshippers.org/shippers>.
2. Plan to enroll or already enrolled at an accredited college or university. Additional consideration will be given to applicants majoring in Logistics, Supply Chain Management or Business.

3. Applicant must have maintained at least a 3.25 grade point average during their junior and senior years of high school and/or have maintained this average if currently enrolled in undergraduate or graduate courses.
4. Application must be completed in its entirety.
5. Placement will be determined based on the review by the Officers and Board members of Food Shippers of America.
6. Applicants from previous years are encouraged to reapply. Previous award winners, except first place, may also reapply.

Food Shippers of America John J. Murphy Scholarship Application

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip code:

Phone:

Email:

Parent Or Guardian's Name:

(if applicant is employee of member company please note "self")

Member Company Food Shippers of America Your Parent or Guardian is employed by:

Company Name:

Position Or Title:

Business Address:

Their Phone:

Their Email:

Please check current level of schooling you are currently:

In High School: ☐ College Undergraduate: ☐ College Graduate: ☐

Current Grade Point Average (GPA) on a 4.0 non weighted scale:

Scholastic Information Requested:(Use of additional paper encouraged)

High School:

Street Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Phone:

Website:

College:

(If Currently enrolled)

enrolled) Address:

Phone:

Website:

Select College Category that best describes your major (can select more than 1 if applicable):

Business: ☐

Computer Science: ☐

Health Resource:

Liberal Arts:

Logistics:

Pre Law:

Pre Medical:

Supply Chain:

Undecided:

Other:

If you have a declared Minor please note:

Top Three (3) Extracurricular Activities participated in that are most meaningful:

Scholastic Achievements/Activities:

Work History (including seasonal and internships):

Community or Volunteer Activities (3 max) with comments regarding why chosen:

Personal References- Please provide minimum of 3 required. Please ask reference to include answers to the following questions:

1. What is your relationship with the applicant?
2. How long have you known the applicant?
3. What is the applicant's strongest attribute?
4. What is the applicant's weakest attribute?
5. Include any pertinent information the Scholarship committee should know about the applicant.

Signed copies of references can be emailed to scholarship@foodshippersofamerica.org ,
originals can be mailed to:

John J. Murphy Scholarship C/O FSA-MDI
2800 S. River Rd., Suite 275
Des Plaines, IL 60018

Please email any additional documents to support your completed application to:
scholarship@foodshippersofamerica.org

Essay Question:

Please respond in the space provided an outline of your education and career goals and why these goals were chosen.

500 Word Maximum

Transcript(s) Requirement:

Please have certified copy of grades maintained during Junior and Senior year of high school or current college transcripts. Reminder minimum of 3.25 Grade Point Average required on a 4.0 non weighted scale submitted to:

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MUST BE RECEIVED BY DECEMBER 31, 2025

All Information provided will be handled confidentially

Any question or inquiries can be directed to:
scholarship@foodshippersofamerica.org

All Applications must be submitted electronically so received by December 31, 2025.

Scholarship Recipients will be announced by January 31, 2026