



## Lehigh Valley Road Runners Tom Illick Memorial Scholarship Application

**Overview:** The Tom Illick Memorial Scholarship Fund was established to assist local students with college expenses. The program is funded by LVRR races and through the fund-raising efforts of the LVRR. Individual club members or community interest groups can make private contributions earmarked for the Scholarship Fund. These can be offered without names attached, or on behalf of friends or family members.

**Purpose:** The Tom Illick Memorial Scholarship Fund is a way of giving back to LVRR club members.

**Award:** A \$4000 scholarship will be awarded at the discretion of the Scholarship Committee and the LVRR Board of Directors. **Applicant cannot be a previous winner of any LVRR Scholarships.**

**Deadline:** 11:59pm ET May 31st of the current year.  
Please email completed application to: [Scholarship@lvrr.org](mailto:Scholarship@lvrr.org)

### **Eligibility:**

1. The applicant, applicant's parent or legal guardian must be a LVRR member in good standing for 3 consecutive years or more. Verify membership at <https://runsignup.com/Club/SearchForRenew/430>.
2. Applicant must be a graduating high school senior from the Lehigh Valley area (Lehigh and Northampton counties) OR a previous Lehigh Valley high school graduate currently enrolled in an undergraduate college program.
3. Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 Grade Point Average (GPA).
4. Applicant must be accepted at or attending a 2-or 4-year college.
5. Applicant must be involved in extracurricular activities in school, college, or within the community.

**Selection Criteria:** Scholarships are based upon achievements during the student's high school and/or college career in the following areas:

1. Academics, as measured by high school or GPA.
2. Extracurricular activities and community involvement, including LVRR events, such as volunteering for club races and events
  - **Note:** Effective 2025, the applicant should have volunteered a minimum of six times at LVRR events over the previous 3 years.
3. Two letters of recommendation
4. Personal essay

Evaluation of these areas will be determined by the sole discretionary judgment of the Scholarship Committee and the LVRR Board of Directors, whose decisions will be final. If a committee member has a vested interest in an applicant, that committee member will be excluded from the decision-making process for that applicant. If no one meets the selection criteria, there will be no award given.

**Notification of Award Selection:** Applicants will be notified within three weeks from the above date regarding the results of the selection process.



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PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION REGULATIONS MAY PROHIBIT YOU FROM ACCEPTING THIS SCHOLARSHIP IF YOU ATTEND COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY ON AN ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP.

### 1. PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address (No PO Boxes): \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School or College \_\_\_\_\_

### 2. COLLEGE INFORMATION

**High School Students only:** Please list the name of the college you will be attending and intended major of study below.

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**Undergraduate College Students:** Please list the name of the college you are attending and declared major of study below.

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### 3. ACADEMICS:

**Graduating High School Seniors:** The following information shall be provided by your Guidance Counselor: Please ask your counselor to email the following information direct to: [Scholarship@lvrr.org](mailto:Scholarship@lvrr.org) Subject line –*Tom Illick Memorial Scholarship – Applicant Name*

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Grade Point Average: \_\_\_\_\_ out of \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor's Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Guidance Counselor's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Undergraduate College Students:** Provide a copy of your most recent transcript.



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### 4. EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

List any extracurricular activities and community involvement in which you have participated, including, but not limited to, LVRR, (such as volunteering for club races and events), sports, clubs, band, youth groups, service organizations, etc

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### 5. LVRR Membership:

I have verified that myself or my parent/legal guardian is a LVRR member in good standing for 3 consecutive years or more.

Verify membership at <https://runsignup.com/Club/SearchForRenew/430>

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

### 6. PERSONAL REFERENCES:

Please ask your references to email their letters direct to [Scholarship@lvrr.org](mailto:Scholarship@lvrr.org)  
Subject line – *Tom Illick Memorial Scholarship- Applicant name*

Provide two written recommendations from individuals not related to you, such as a professor, teacher, coach, employer, etc.



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### 7. ESSAY:

In this section, please write a short essay of approximately 250 words on how you can have a positive impact on your community during your college career

