

Delanie Fekert Memorial Scholarship Award

Application Instructions

The Delanie Fekert Memorial Scholarship Award (DFMSA) is a four-year need-based partial scholarship awarded annually through the generosity of the Delanie Fekert Foundation to a young woman who displays desire, faith in God and a strong work ethic, along with the academic ability to succeed and become a contributing member of the Sacred Heart Academy community. The Delanie Fekert Foundation created this generous scholarship award to honor the life and legacy of Delanie, a 2015 SHA graduate, who died tragically in an Uber accident on October 8, 2022, at the age of 25.

Delanie was an active member of the SHA community. She loved Red & Gold and was on Red Kickline all four years, serving as co-captain her senior year. She was also a champion Irish dancer. Delanie was kind, hardworking, strong in her Catholic faith and passionate about her calling as a physical therapist. She valued her family, friends and community. The goal of the foundation is to support and promote all the things Delanie loved and valued in life, and to keep her memory alive by continuing to make a difference in the lives of those who knew and loved her, as well as touch the lives of those who never had the chance to meet her. Delanie loved SHA and treasured the life-long friendships she made during her four years there. This scholarship award is the perfect way to honor her legacy, her love of SHA and her desire to help others. SHA's dance studio is also named after Delanie through the generosity of her family, friends and the foundation.

Instructions:

1. Register for and take the Test for Admission to Catholic High Schools (TACHS) on Saturday, November 8, 2025. To be eligible for the DFMSA, **applicants are required to list Sacred Heart Academy as their first choice.**
2. Complete a financial aid application at Facts Management Grant & Aid at <https://online.factsmgt.com/grant-aid/inst/3LVD3/landing-page> by **Sunday, November 30, 2025.**

3. Mail or email a complete Delanie Fekert Memorial Scholarship Award application to Sacred Heart Academy by **Monday, December 1, 2025**. The application includes:

- A copy of your seventh grade report card.
- DFMSA Policy Acknowledgement Form
- DFMSA Questionnaire
- One completed Recommendation Form from school administrator, guidance counselor or teacher.
- A copy of your 8th grade first marking period report card, indicating that you are maintaining an 85% average or better and are not failing any subject.

4. Mail or email completed application to:

Office of the Bursar
Mrs. Helena Gunther
Sacred Heart Academy
47 Cathedral Avenue
Hempstead, NY 11550
bursar@sacredheartacademyli.org

Applications are to be postmarked or emailed **no later than Monday, December 1, 2025**.

A confirmation e-mail will be sent upon receipt of a completed application.

The DFMSA recipient must register at Sacred Heart Academy on January 24, 2026 or the scholarship offer will be forfeited.

If you have any questions, please contact the Bursar at (516) 483-7383 ext. 325 or at bursar@sacredheartacademyli.org.

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Policy Acknowledgement Form

Applicant's Name: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Current School: _____ Parish: _____

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Parents of applicants are required to complete a financial aid application at Facts Management Grant & Aid at <https://online.factsmgt.com/grant-aid/inst/3LVD3/landing-page> by **Sunday, November 30, 2025**.

The DFMSA application must be completed by the applicant and mailed or emailed to Sacred Heart Academy by **Monday, December 1, 2025**. All information provided will remain strictly confidential and will be used for the sole purpose of awarding scholarships.

Dear Applicant and Parent/Guardian:

Please read the following statement and sign your name, indicating that you have read and understand the Delanie Fekert Memorial Scholarship Award conditions. I understand that applications received after **Monday, December 1, 2025** will not be accepted. I also understand that if I am awarded a scholarship, I am to register as part of the Class of 2030 at Sacred Heart Academy on **January 24, 2026. If I do not register, I will forfeit the scholarship.**

Applicant Signature

Date

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Delanie Fekert Memorial Scholarship Award Questionnaire

Please complete the following questions to the best of your ability, using your own words and writing.

1. Please list your extracurricular, community, and volunteer activities:

2. Please list any academic distinctions or honors you have received:

3. Please list any immediate family members who attended and/or graduated from

Sacred Heart Academy (please include year of graduation):

Name	Year
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

4. Please let us know if there are any other factors you would like us to consider:

(Use reverse side of this page if necessary.)

5. Please let us know why you would like to attend Sacred Heart Academy:

6. Please read, acknowledge and sign and date the below statement:

I regularly attend Sunday mass at my parish church. Yes _____ No _____

Applicant Signature

Date

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Recommendation Form

Applicant's Name: _____ Current School: _____

Please note that applicants are required to obtain a recommendation from their school administrator, guidance counselor or teacher. Evaluations completed by other people will not be accepted.

Your name: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____

Length of time you have known applicant: _____

Please evaluate the applicant by marking the appropriate box. You may use the back of this page for any additional comments. Thank you for playing an important role in the life of this student!

Please mail or email your completed recommendation by Monday, December 1, 2025 to:

Office of the Bursar

Sacred Heart Academy

Mrs. Helena Gunther

47 Cathedral Avenue

Hempstead, NY 11550

bursar@sacredheartacademyli.org

	Excellent	Above Average	Average	Below Average	Poor
Effort					
Desire to learn					
Work ethic					
Participation					
Attitude					
Peer relations					
Respect for authority					
Faith / love of God					
Behavior / conduct					
Integrity / moral character					
Commitment to school / school spirit					
Involvement in community service					

I hereby attest that the information provided in this evaluation is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Date