



**Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury  
Peter Orsatti Scholarship  
and  
Mike & Debbie Orsatti Scholarship  
and  
Eva Sills Scholarship  
2026 Eligibility**

The **Peter Orsatti Scholarship**, the **Mike & Debbie Orsatti Scholarship** and the **Eva Sills Scholarship** seek to acknowledge the academic achievement and citizenship of students who reside in the Greater Waterbury area (Waterbury, Middlebury, Southbury, Watertown, Wolcott, Woodbury, Prospect, Cheshire, Naugatuck and Beacon Falls).

The **Peter Orsatti Scholarship** intends to honor a student exemplifying excellence in academics and character.

The **Mike & Debbie Orsatti Scholarship** intends to honor a student embodying the spirit of the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury.

The **Eva Sills Scholarship** intends to honor a student who embodies good character and decency and who consistently shows kindness, respect, and a commitment to making a positive difference in their community.

- a. Students must be graduating from high school in Spring 2026 and planning to attend a post-secondary institution, full-time, for the 2026 - 2027 academic year or currently enrolled in a post-secondary institution, full-time, and planning to return for the 2026-2027 academic year.
- b. Applicants must submit a complete application for each scholarship for which they wish to be considered. A complete application includes the appropriate scholarship application form, family demographics, academic achievements, extracurricular activities, and a personal statement.  
Please note that each scholarship is intended to recognize student accomplishments in different ways. Therefore, if a student wishes to be considered for multiple scholarships, a separate and complete application must be submitted for each one. Each submission should be clearly marked with the name of the scholarship for which the student is applying.
- c. Students must provide verification of acceptance at the post-secondary institution they plan to attend.
- d. Students must submit one (1) letter of recommendation. (The recommendation may not come from a relative.)
- e. Students may be asked to participate in a personal interview.

Prior recipients of these scholarships are welcome to apply. Scholarship will be awarded at the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury's Annual *Rising Star Awards & Scholarship Dinner*.

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**Applications must be received by 5:00 pm on Wednesday, April 15, 2026.** Applications may be hand-delivered or mailed to the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury at 1037 East Main Street, Waterbury, CT 06705 or submitted via email to [general@bgcgwater.org](mailto:general@bgcgwater.org) (NOTE “Peter Orsatti Scholarship Application” or “Mike & Debbie Orsatti Application” or “Eva Sills Scholarship” in the subject line). **Incomplete applications will not be considered.**

**Applications submitted electronically must be attachments in either Word or pdf form – no photos or screenshots will be accepted. Entire application must be submitted together except for the recommendation. If the recommendation is to be submitted separately, application must clearly state that recommendation is to be submitted separately and by whom. Separate packages or emails will not be accepted.**

To download a Scholarship Application, please visit [www.bgcgwater.org](http://www.bgcgwater.org). For more information, contact [general@bgcgwater.org](mailto:general@bgcgwater.org) or call 203/756-8104.

**Scholarships will be awarded at the *Rising Star Awards & Scholarship Dinner* at the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury, 1037 East Main Street, Waterbury on Wednesday, May 20, 2026.**



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**You must complete a separate complete application for each of the scholarships for which you wish to apply.**

**Applications require:**

- high school or college transcript
- one (1) letter of recommendation from a teacher or mentor (recommendation may not come from a relative)
- verification of acceptance to or attendance at college/university
- 1-2 page essay (no more than 600 words) answering the following questions:  
*Why education is important to you, why you have chosen your educational path and what you hope to accomplish with your education.*

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's Name & Address (if different):

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Father's Name & Address (if different):

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Current School Name & Address:

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Graduation Date:

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Are you a current or former member of the Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury (circle one):

Yes No

If yes, during what year(s)? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received the Peter Orsatti Scholarship or Mike & Debbie Orsatti Scholarship previously (circle one):

Yes No

If yes, which scholarship & what year? \_\_\_\_\_

Name & Address of School Attending in Fall 2026:

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If accepted to particular school within the university/college, please state:

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Declared Major:

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Tuition:

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Additional Costs (if known)(type & amount):

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List All Scholarships &/or Financial Aid Received (source and amount):

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Please list all extracurricular activities & date(s) of participation (in & out of school, including volunteer activities, community service, sports, academic and non-academic activities, etc.). Please include whether you held a leadership role as part of the activity.

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Please list any achievements or awards you have received (please include the source and year):

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Personal Statement – Why education is important to you, why you have chosen your educational path and what you hope to accomplish with your education.

(No more than two (2) pages)

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