

# Scholarships for Current Students

The Academy of Our Lady of Peace offers multiple scholarships to current students. While each scholarship has its own unique criteria and award designation, they all utilize the same application form. Students interested in applying for one or more of our scholarships must complete the application and follow the directions precisely. Detailed descriptions of each scholarship are provided below. **Applications will open on Friday, February 21, 2025. The deadline for each of the scholarships is on Monday, March 17, 2025.** Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

The recipients of these scholarships will be announced at the Evening of Excellence in May. Please note that the scholarship awards will be granted toward tuition for the 2025-2026 academic school year.

\*The link to the application is on **Schoology** and can only be accessed by OLP students.

<b>Available Scholarships</b>
<a href="#">Sister Dolores Anchondo Scholarship</a>
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## **BACKGROUND:**

Founded and rooted in the Gospel values of the Catholic church and the charism of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, the Academy of Our Lady of Peace empowers young women in an innovative learning environment that honors the individual while fostering community, and develops faith-filled leaders dedicated to the “love of God and the dear neighbor without distinction.”

## **CRITERIA FOR APPLYING:**

- Current Enrollment at the Academy of Our Lady of Peace
- Current Cumulative GPA as specified in each scholarship
- Essay Responses
- For specified scholarships, one letter of recommendation (can be from a mentor, youth pastor, teacher, etc)

## **INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Students should complete the application form with thoughtful essay responses. You are encouraged to write your essays in a separate document with plenty of time for editing. Please do not type your essay directly into the application form.
- You will be prompted to nominate your chosen recommender, who will upload your letter of recommendation directly into your application. (It could be from a mentor, youth pastor, teacher, coach, etc.) Please note that your application is not complete without the required recommendation letter.

## **Board Designated Leadership and Legacy: Sister Dolores Anchondo Scholarship**

Sister Dolores Anchondo served as the OLP principal for thirty years until her retirement in 2011. During her three decades in leadership, Sister Dolores was a fearless advocate

for girls' education and is credited for bringing Honors and Advanced Placement courses to OLP, along with modernizing our campus with the Holy Family Event Center. Sister Dolores represented OLP as a woman of heart, faith, courage, and excellence in everything she did.

Established in 2014, the Sister Dolores Anchondo Leadership and Legacy Scholarship recognizes students who embody the OLP mission and CSJ charism. The recipients of the Sister Dolores Anchondo Leadership and Legacy Scholarships are chosen for their exemplary academic achievement, exemplary witness to the OLP mission, and living out the charism of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. Specifically, this scholarship recognizes students who have demonstrated significant and consistent contributions in the areas of Leadership, Service, and Spirit. Current 9th, 10th and 11th graders are invited to apply for a scholarship to be used toward tuition for one academic year.

### **Board Designated Scholarships: Terry Kalfayan, Martha McRoskey, and Nina Sciuto-Morales '76**

Terry Kalfayan, Martha McRoskey, and Nina Sciuto-Morales '76 served on the OLP Board of Trustees. They each have had daughter(s) attend and graduate from the Academy of Our Lady of Peace. These board-designated scholarships were created to honor their memory and legacy.

Terry Kalfayan, alumnae mother to Tess, class of 2016, Camryn, class of 2024, and Daniel, served as an OLP Board Member and the Finance Committee Chair. As a double alumna of USD (BA Business in Accountancy '88 and MS Business in Accountancy and Financial Management '05), Terry served as Controller, where she led financial reporting, tax compliance, and the development of the university's financial framework. In 2013, Terry was appointed Vice President for Finance and Chief Financial Officer where she led strategic financial efforts, oversaw key operational functions and managed the university's endowment growth in support of its academic mission. She served with great dedication and success in this role until she passed away in 2019 after a battle with cancer. Terry will always be remembered by her family and friends as a role model of humility and strength, compassion and love. Her work on the OLP Board of Trustees was to ensure a vital sustaining legacy for future generations of young women in the tradition of our Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. In 2020, the OLP Board of Trustees established a scholarship to remember in perpetuity Terry's profound legacy and her enduring impact.

For Martha McRoskey, faith and family were everything. A devoted wife and mother of six boys and alumna mom to Mary-Catherine, OLP class of 2012, she embraced the chaos of family life with a humility and joy that was contagious. She believed that even the smallest sacrifices had great meaning when done with love: whether folding laundry, driving to baseball practice, or consoling a tired child. Her days always began early with a strong cup of coffee and rosary beads. In 1997, she started Parents in Prayer, an organization that encouraged busy parents to pray the Rosary for students and their families at St. James in Solana Beach. Over time, the ministry grew to become a cornerstone of parish and school life that spread throughout San Diego, including OLP, Saint Augustine High School, and Cathedral Catholic. She later co-founded a popular women's prayer group, Gospel Girls, led pilgrimages, and served on the boards of several Catholic schools, including OLP and John Paul the Great Catholic University. Martha had a rare ability to connect with everyone she met. Known for her keen memory and thoughtfulness, she would frequently send letters and mementos to family or friends in need of encouragement or guidance. Martha joined her Lord and Savior in heaven in 2018. In 2020, the OLP Board of Trustees established a scholarship to remember in perpetuity Martha's profound legacy and her enduring impact on generations of young women. This scholarship is also funded through an Anonymous Endowed Scholarship fund, in Honor of Martha McRoskey. In March 2020, her mother, Mary Ann Boulanger, also joined OLP to establish the Martha McRoskey Interfaith Place of Peace alongside the Butterfly Project and the replica of Michaelangelo's Pieta.

Antonina "Nina" Sciuto Morales attended St. Patrick's, OLP ('76) and USD ('84). Nina was a member of the Board of Trustees joining in 2014, honored as an Alumna of the Year, and mother to three including her daughter Mia, an alumna of the OLP class of 2008. For years, Nina worked as an HR director, but her real love was attending OLP and Saints sporting events, cheering on her beloved children, and the OLP-Saints communities. Blue and purple were her favorite colors! She had a remarkable wit, honesty, and ability to solve problems. She listened with an open mind, heart, and arms as she helped many. Nina enjoyed the simple pleasures of life like being with her family, music, thrift shopping, and a dipped cone from Dairy Queen. To all who knew Nina, she was joy and love, an embodiment of the charism of our Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet. Nina joined her Lord and Savior in Heaven in 2019. In 2020, the OLP Board of Trustees established a scholarship to remember in perpetuity Nina's profound legacy and her enduring impact on generations of young women.

## **Ann Navarra '63 Scholarship**

Throughout her career, Ann Navarra '63, has supported all aspects of the OLP community in countless ways. Ann served three terms on the board of the San Diego County Office of Education, chaired the board of the Academy of Our Lady of Peace (her alma mater) for 16 years, served on the board of the San Diego History Center, and has been a trustee of the University of San Diego (USD). She received a leadership award from Convivio, a San Diego nonprofit dedicated to promoting Italian culture and philanthropy, for her charity work. Ann sponsored the creation of the fountain in the Chapel Garden in Memory of her mother; served as the lead sponsor for the OLP Boundless Campaign, and championed young women through the annual establishment of OLP scholarships.

Recipients of this award are returning, well-rounded juniors or seniors who contribute positively to the OLP community. They model the spirit of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet on a daily basis and by doing so, build the spirit of sisterhood and demonstrate Christ-like love in our world. The total scholarship amount awarded varies each year depending on the number of participants.

## **Faculty & Staff Scholarship**

The faculty and staff at OLP are dedicated to educating young women to become “all of which women are capable.” To this end, a faculty and staff scholarship was established and funded by OLP employees to support the educational needs of deserving students. The Faculty & Staff Scholarship is offered to a student who exemplifies the mission of the Academy of Our Lady of Peace in her daily life. The amount offered is determined by the amount collected in the fund annually.

## **OLP Endowment Scholarship**

The OLP Endowment was established in 2018 to provide scholarships and tuition assistance, making an OLP education accessible to more students. This fund is supported by generous donors who are committed to OLP's mission. The OLP Endowment Scholarship is awarded to students who demonstrate financial need and embody the mission and values of OLP. The scholarship is granted for one academic year.

## **John Evenson Memorial Athletic Scholarship**

Karene (Lemke) Evenson '56 and her husband, John Evenson, established the John Evenson Memorial Athletics Scholarship to support OLP student-athletes in order to ensure that they were able to continue with both their academic and athletic pursuits.

## **Anonymous Endowed Scholarship in Honor of Martha McRoskey**

In honor of the impact made by alumna parent and OLP Board Member Martha McRoskey, a group of donors established this special scholarship in her honor, which recognizes her deep devotion to her faith and her life that she dedicated in service to others. It is meant to make attendance at OLP possible for those who have demonstrated academic potential and need for financial assistance.

## **The Heart of '72 Endowed Scholarship**

Created as a 50th Jubilee Class Gift to OLP, The Heart of '72 Endowed Scholarship serves to honor deceased members of the class of 1972 while expressing gratitude for the stellar education and deep friendships afforded by attending OLP. The fund was established to provide scholarships to students who embody the charism of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, show academic potential, and demonstrate financial need. The awarded funds will serve as a credit toward tuition for one academic year. The scholarship is awarded to a current student who displays core traits of devotion, focus, heart, humor, insight, loyalty, spirit, and empathy.

## **Alumnae Endowed Scholarship**

Established in 2017, the OLP Alumnae Endowed Scholarship is funded through generous donations from OLP alumnae who are committed to the mission of OLP and invested in the success of future women leaders, serving “the dear neighbor without distinction.”

The Alumnae Endowed Scholarship provides scholarships to students who embody the charism of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, show academic potential with a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA, and demonstrate financial need. The recipient of this scholarship award will, in her own way, be one who embodies the charism of The Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet.

## **Larissa Eklund-Dethlefs '94 Memorial Scholarship**

The Larissa Eklund-Dethlefs '94 Memorial Endowed Fund was established in memory of a woman who embodied the spirit of OLP through her vitality, open-mindedness, spirituality, and inner beauty over her short 25 years of life. Through this scholarship, her family and friends pay tribute to their sunflower, Larissa, as well as OLP, a place where women are celebrated and friendships grow. The recipient of this scholarship award will in her own way be one who embodies the spirit of Larissa through her involvement at OLP, in her community, and through her devotion to her family and friends. All applicants must be current rising seniors with at least two years at OLP prior to senior year and be in good standing with no current disciplinary issues. Students are required to maintain a minimum of a 3.0 GPA to be eligible for this scholarship and must embody the spirit of OLP through vitality, open-mindedness, spirituality, and inner beauty.

## **Lois Mary Reuter '40 Endowed Scholarship**

The Lois Mary Reuter '40 Endowed was established to provide a scholarship to a rising junior or senior with a demonstrated need for financial assistance who desires to pursue higher education and/or career opportunities in STEAM-related areas. The student must be entering her junior or senior year at OLP, have a minimum 3.8 cumulative GPA, and must have demonstrated co-curricular activities in STEAM-related fields including internships, research, job shadowing, volunteer work, etc. Preference will be given to students of military families. One rising junior or senior will be awarded this scholarship for one academic year.

## **Shine Bright Scholarship**

In 2022, as part of OLP Julia Torres' Girl Scout Gold Award, she established the Shine Bright Scholarship, which gives profits from the annual OLP Uniform and Book Resale Event to a deserving student or students as a scholarship to be used towards their OLP Tuition. Julia is currently attending the United States Naval Academy. Eligible students are individuals who are shining their light in their community through service activities while maintaining strong academic grades.

All applicants must be OLP students in good standing with acceptable conduct and attendance marks and no disciplinary issues. Per section 2.5 of the Student-Parent Handbook, tuition must be current. Students are required to maintain a minimum of a 3.5 GPA to be eligible for this scholarship and must demonstrate loyalty to OLP and its mission.

### **Gabriela Rodriguez Legacy Endowed Scholarship**

Established in 2023 in memory of Gabriela Rodriguez '92, the Gabriela Rodriguez Legacy Endowed scholarship purpose is to embody the charism of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, who demonstrate academic potential and financial need, and contribute in the areas of leadership and service. This year's scholarship is awarded to a current student and will serve as a credit toward tuition for one academic year.

### **Joan Catherine Reuter Endowed Scholarship**

The Joan Catherine Reuter Endowed Scholarship was established in 2023 by Tom DeTemple to support students with an academically rigorous record who also have a demonstrated cohesive commitment to a focused path of study. This scholarship is intended to provide additional support to rising juniors and seniors with a demonstrated need for financial assistance. All applicants must be current students, and be in good standing, with no current disciplinary issues. Per section 2.5 of the Student-Parent Handbook, tuition must be current. Students are required to maintain a minimum of a 3.8 GPA to be eligible for this scholarship and must demonstrate co-curricular activities in any field of study including internships, research, job shadowing, volunteer work, etc. (any cohesive/concentrated path of study).

### **Mike Stringer Memorial Scholarship for the Arts**

Mike Stringer embraced the CSJ way of serving the dear neighbor without distinction through his generosity, kindness, and uncompromising commitment to his students. Following his passing in 2021, the Mike Stringer Memorial Scholarship for the Arts was established in honor of his legacy and contributions to the OLP visual and performing arts.



This fund was established to provide scholarships to students who embody the charism of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, show academic potential, illustrate a commitment to the visual and performing arts, and demonstrate financial need.

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