



## Connecticut Society for Respiratory Care 2026 Scholarship Application for Current Students

*This year's scholarship is partially funded by a generous donation from the  
Hartford Health Care Respiratory Care Departments*

**\*This application is for a currently enrolled student in an accredited Respiratory Care Program at a Connecticut college who will not be graduating in 2026.**

### **SCHOLARSHIP ELIGIBILITY:**

The applicant must submit the following information and meet the listed criteria for eligibility. If ALL documents are not submitted with the completed application, the application will not be considered.

1. Have an overall GPA of at least 2.75 or the equivalent thereof, as verified by submission of unofficial transcripts from the college in which you are currently enrolled, and all colleges previously attended. The transcripts must be verified for accuracy by the Respiratory Care program director or the director of clinical education.
2. Be a U.S. citizen and submit a copy of a birth certificate or US Passport **OR** proof of permanent residency in the US.
3. Write an essay paper in response to one of the two questions contained within this application.
4. Submit this application and all the required documentation by **April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026 via email or mail to:**

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FINAL DECISIONS AND NOTIFICATION OF AWARD WILL BE MADE UPON  
VERIFICATION OF ENROLLMENT IN AN ACCREDITED RESPIRATORY CARE  
PROGRAM AND NOTIFICATION OF ACTUAL STUDENT ATTENDANCE.  
APPLICATIONS AND AWARDS ARE FOR THE YEAR IN WHICH APPLIED **ONLY.**





**EXTRACURRICULAR/COMMUNITY SERVICE**  
(attach separate sheet if necessary)

Type of Activity	Position Held	Years Participating

**ESSAY SUBMISSION**

This essay will be scored on content, grammar, and spelling accuracy. Please use Times New Roman 12 Font with 1-inch margins, double-spaced.

**Answer one of the following questions:**

1. Describe a clinical experience you had while attending the respiratory care program or any other health care field that solidified your decision to pursue respiratory care as a career.

**OR**

2. As a future respiratory care practitioner, describe what you would do to increase public awareness of the profession.

The undersigned hereby certify that the information provided on this application, including attachments, is true to the best of their knowledge.

Applicant signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_