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PMVB Announces 2026 Scholarship Recipients

Program aims to inspire future tourism and hospitality leaders

May 20, 2026 – The [Pocono Mountains Visitors Bureau](#) (PMVB) is pleased to announce the recipients of this year's scholarship funding. The scholarship is awarded annually to high school seniors and undergraduate students pursuing degrees in tourism and hospitality, as well as related fields.

Scholarships were available to East Stroudsburg University (ESU) and Northampton Community College (NCC) students, as well as high school or technical institute seniors from the four-county Pocono region who are entering a two-year or four-year college or university.

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"This year's scholarship recipients are pursuing fulfilling careers in fields like hotel management, business, and marketing," said Chris Barrett, President/CEO, Pocono Mountains Visitors Bureau. "Our organization is dedicated to inspiring and supporting future leaders in the tourism and hospitality industry. This initiative serves as a means to further motivate local students."

The PMVB also offers a [Student Membership Program](#) to help students gain career insights, network with area professionals in the hospitality industry, and access various PMVB benefits at no cost. In addition, the [Poconos Ambassador Program](#) is a complimentary online course for students, hospitality employees, and the public to learn about the region and help make a positive impact on the community.

Visit PoconoMountains.com/Scholarships or email scholarships@poconos.org to learn more about scholarship opportunities or contribute.

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2026 PMVB Scholarship Recipients

County	Student Name	HS/CTC	College	Scholarship Type	Award
Monroe	Londyn Lawson	Stroudsburg High School	Delaware State University	PMVB General	\$1,000
Monroe	Katelynn Martini	Pleasant Valley High School	Northampton Community College	PMVB General	\$1,000
Pike	Sherry Aliotta	Wallenpaupack Area High School	Penn College of Technology	Harry and Mary Kiesendahl	\$1,000
Monroe	Alan Angulo	Pocono Mountain East High School	Utah State University	PMVB General	\$1,000
Monroe	Isabella Caligiuri	Pocono Mountain West High School	Lackawanna College	Robert Uguccione	\$1,000
Pike	Christian Gutierrez	Wallenpaupack Area High School	Misericordia University	PMVB General	\$1,000
Monroe	Nasir Frederick	East Stroudsburg High School South	East Stroudsburg University	Robert Uguccione	\$1,000
Monroe	Zuri Finley	N/A	Northampton Community College	Heart of Hospitality	\$1,000
Monroe	Nicholas Metaxas	East Stroudsburg High School South	Penn State Hospitality Camp	PMVB General	\$250

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