

American Association of University Women Coastal Georgetown Branch



\$5,000 Merit Scholarship

March 27, 2026

Email to: AAUWCGscholarship2026@gmail.com

Deadline: Midnight, Friday, 3/27/26 to the email above

Questions? AAUWCGscholarship2026@gmail.com

- Open to graduating senior women planning to attend a college or university in fall of 2026 who attend one of the following area public high schools: Cape Henlopen, Indian River, Sussex Academy, Sussex Central, or Sussex Technical.
- The scholarship will be awarded from the pool of applicants regardless of school.
- Award will be forwarded directly to the winner's college or university for tuition and housing.

APPLICATION FORM

Name _____ *Date* _____

Address _____

Email _____ *Phone* _____

High School _____

College/University you plan to attend in Fall 2026 _____

Have you received acceptance from this college/university? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Guidance Counselor Name _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Application Requirements Checklist:

- Completed Scholarship Application Form (must be typed or printed); Submit Application Form in PDF format.
- Rigorous original essay of up to 400 words that answers the question on the next page.
- Current transcript.
- List or resume showing leadership roles, activities, interests, community service, and work experience.
- Letter of recommendation from **someone other than a guidance counselor or family member**.
- All requirements on checklist **MUST** be submitted to be considered for a scholarship.
- Send all documents in one or more **PDF format** file(s).
- Submit only one type of AAUW CG Scholarship.
- Please understand we will be checking for AI generated essays.



AAUWCG 2026 ESSAY QUESTION

Essay Instructions: Address the question below in a **typed, double spaced** rigorous original essay of no more than 400 words attaching it to this application either as one pdf or as a separate pdf.

Essay Question: “Currently it has become harder to identify misinformation. Describe a new school course or extra-curricular program that would effectively teach media literacy. Explain what you would include and why you believe it would be successful in preparing students to navigate today’s information landscape.”

APPLICATION PACKAGE SCORING

Scoring: - 100 total

The AAUW Scholarship will be scored on the following:

20 Points

1. Academics:

- a. GPA 3.0 and above
- b. Rigorous Coursework

20 Points

3. Leadership:

- a. Held an office/committee chair/sport leader position
- b. Described specific achievements and advancement in roles

25 Points

**2. Community Service/
Volunteerism, Activities or
Employment:**

- a. Described community service & volunteerism
- b. Described extra-curricular activities and or paid employment

30 Points

4. Essay:

- a. Used effective writing skills and answered all components of the essay question
- b. Followed essay instructions

5 Points

5. Recommendation:

- a. Letter of recommendation from someone other than a guidance counselor or family member.

Application information available: HS Guidance Office

Delaware Scholarship Compendium: <http://scholarships.delawarestudentsuccess.org>

AAUW Coastal Georgetown: <http://georgetown-de.aauw.net>

AAUW of Delaware: <https://aauw-de.aauw.net>

AAUW National: <https://www.aauw.org>

Start Smart: <https://www.aauw.org/resources/programs/salary>