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Simi Educators Association (SEA) Thelma Ridgely-Gary Gschwind-Nell Murphy 2026 Memorial Scholarship



Criteria for selection:

- The applicant must be a dependent (as defined by IRS Rules) of an **SEA Member** in good standing regardless of residential geographical area. SEA Membership is as of September 30th of the current academic year.
- The applicant may select any major in a two- or four- year accredited trade school or college, public or private.
- Applicants must demonstrate good citizenship throughout high school.
- This scholarship is available to **current high school seniors**.
- Evaluation of the following application items will be considered:
 - **GPA**
 - **Extracurricular activities**
 - **Community activities**
 - **Work experience**
 - **Additional information**
- Please limit the applicant statement or essay to one page.
- Please submit all documents either typed or written in blue/black ink.
- Participation in the interview process is required
- Late or incomplete applications will not be considered

Tentative Timeline:

- Applications for candidates will be available beginning February 23, 2026. Candidates must submit their applications to the SEA Office **no later than 3:30 p.m., April 8th, 2026**. Applications may be mailed, scanned or delivered to the SEA Office.
 - Sealed, official transcripts need to be hand-delivered or received through USPS by April 15th. They may NOT be emailed.
- The Scholarship Committee will review applications and schedule interviews with scholarship candidates by **April 22nd**.
- **Candidate Interviews will be held between April 29th and May 1st.**
- Scholarship Notification: SEA attempts to arrange scholarships to be announced/awarded during the applicant's school awards assembly.