



## **Anna Maria Island Chamber of Commerce** **2026 Scholarship Application**

The Anna Maria Island Chamber of Commerce is offering three \$1,000.00 scholarships to Manatee County High School graduating seniors seeking to further their education. Thanks to continued community support of our annual events, we are able to offer these scholarships to deserving graduating Manatee County seniors. Please download the application from our website at [www.amichamber.org](http://www.amichamber.org) under :

Events -> Event and Scholarship Forms

We are accepting applications postmarked by February 27, 2026. The recipients will be notified by phone mid-March. The scholarship awards will be presented at our April AMI Chamber Scholarship Awards Ceremony on Thursday, April 2, 2026 where we ask you to be present to receive your scholarship.

Sincerely,  
Karen LaPensee  
AMI Chamber Director & Scholarship Fund Chair  
Anna Maria Island Chamber of Commerce  
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## **Anna Maria Island Chamber of Commerce Business Scholarship**

The Anna Maria Chamber of Commerce will grant three \$1,000.00 scholarships to graduating Manatee County high school seniors who have a genuine interest in further education. These scholarships are one-time awards given to graduating seniors seeking to further their education. The checks will be presented at the AMI Chamber Scholarship Awards Ceremony on Thursday, April 2, 2026 which begins at 5pm.

**Qualifications:** To be eligible for this scholarship an applicant must:

- Be a high school senior
- Have earned a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 on a 4-point scale
- Have participated in related high school courses
- Plan to seek further education

**How to Apply:** Submit a written essay of up to 500 words explaining why you believe you deserve this scholarship. Submit letter of recommendation from your high school teacher or counselors, and a copy of your transcript for proof of GPA with your essay. Send applications to:

Anna Maria Is. Chamber of Commerce  
Scholarship Fund  
5313 Gulf Dr.  
Holmes Beach, Fl. 34217

***All entries must be postmarked by February 27, 2026.*** The recipients will be notified by the Chamber of Commerce. Recipients must be present at the April 2, 2026 Chamber Scholarship Awards to accept the scholarship.



## Anna Maria Island Chamber of Commerce Scholarship Application

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

School \_\_\_\_\_

List honors and advanced placement level courses taken in the 11th and 12th grades

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Academic honors and other awards:

\_\_\_\_\_  
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Extracurricular activities: (Volunteer services, work experience, clubs, organizations, leadership positions and length of times in each)

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\_\_\_\_\_

List your ACT or SAT Score:

\_\_\_\_\_

Intended School type: (Circle) 2 year college 4 year college Trade/Career University

Intended Major or program:

\_\_\_\_\_

Selected colleges/education institutions

Please circle each school that has  
accepted you for admission.

1<sup>st</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

2<sup>nd</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

3<sup>rd</sup> Choice: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you anticipate needing to rely on an educational loan to pay for your education? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

**APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY FRIDAY, February 27, 2026**

I hereby acknowledge and give my permission for photographs of myself, as a recipient of a scholarship, to be published in local newspapers and used in promotions by the Anna Maria Island Chamber of Commerce of this scholarship program.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date