

*The Central Connecticut Celtic Cultural Committee*  
*Celtic Scholars Program*

*The Central Connecticut Celtic Cultural Committee (C.C.C.C.C) has been formed for the purpose of fostering, promoting and celebrating the cultural and historical contributions of Irish and Irish American individuals and groups in Central Connecticut. In addition to sponsoring the Greater Hartford's Annual St. Patrick's Day Parade, the C.C.C.C.C also sponsors the Celtic Scholars Program. This Scholarship Program recognizes the personal and educational achievements of young Irish and Irish American persons, as well as their contributions to their community and their interest in promoting the culture of their heritage.*

*Two (2) individuals will be identified as Celtic Scholars and each will receive a \$1,500.00 cash scholarship, as well as an Aran sweater. Award recipients will be notified January 30, 2024, via email.*

**The requirements for Scholarship Award consideration are as follows:**

- ❖ Connecticut resident
- ❖ 17-22 years of age (high school senior or currently enrolled college undergraduate)
- ❖ Of Irish descent
- ❖ Commitment to attend the Parade Mass (Hartford, CT) on Friday, March 8, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.
- ❖ Commitment to participate in the Greater Hartford St. Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 9, 2024 at 11:00a.m.

The completed application, inclusive of two essays that address the given prompts (see application), along with the signature page, must be postmarked by **January 4, 2024** and submitted to:

Margaret Moriarty, Scholarship Chair  
8 Danforth Lane  
Rocky Hill, CT 06067

Questions may be directed to:

Margaret Moriarty at: [OTKerry27@gmail.com](mailto:OTKerry27@gmail.com) or 860-978-0201

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The Central Connecticut Celtic Cultural Committee awards two cash scholarships annually, in the amount of \$1,500.00 each. Scholarships are awarded to those who exemplify academic excellence along with demonstrating an interest in the culture of their Irish heritage. **Applications must be postmarked by January 4, 2024.**

**PERSONAL INFORMATION:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last MI First

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City Zip Code

Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ EMail: \_\_\_\_\_

**ACADEMIC INFORMATION:**

Name/Location of High School:

Dates Attended: \_\_\_\_\_  
Graduation Date: (or Anticipated Date) \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ (If Applicable)

Name of College:

Major: \_\_\_\_\_  
Anticipated Graduation Date \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

❖ Explain your Irish family ancestry to the best of your ability:

Additionally, please respond to **both** of the following essay prompts, with a one page maximum in response to each question:

*1. Provide a description of yourself that will give the review panel a "picture" of who you are as an individual. You may choose to focus on a particular experience, your school/community involvement, your career aspirations or any other aspect of your life that speaks to your character and personality.*

2. A description of your interest in, and/or understanding of, your Irish heritage.

*The submission of this application certifies that the information provided is true and accurate. Further, it acknowledges an understanding that, if selected, as a Celtic Scholars Recipient, I will attend The Greater Hartford St. Patrick's Day Parade Mass on Friday, March 8, 2024 and participate in the Greater Hartford St Patrick's Day Parade on Saturday, March 9, 2024. I acknowledge that my failure to do such will result in the forfeiture of the Award.*

*Printed Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_*

*Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_*

*Date: \_\_\_\_\_*

*MMP*