

**Friends of Los Alamos County Libraries Scholarship
and
June and Harry Ettinger Memorial Scholarship**

Friends of Los Alamos County Libraries and the Family of June and Harry Ettinger

Description

To honor those who love books.

The Friends of Los Alamos County Libraries awards:

- up to four (4) Friends of Los Alamos County Library Scholarships of \$2,500 each; and
- one June and Harry Ettinger Memorial Scholarship of \$3,500 (with possibility of 1-year renewal)

The June and Harry Ettinger Memorial Scholarship is administered in partnership with Los Alamos Public Schools Foundation. The Scholarship Committee will determine which of the successful applicants will be the recipient of the June and Harry Ettinger Memorial Scholarship.

Field of Specialization

No restrictions

Value of Award

June and Harry Ettinger Memorial Scholarship: One recipient will receive \$3,500 awarded at high school graduation and an additional \$3,500 awarded after the first complete year of college with a 3.0 GPA.

Friends of LACL: Up to four awards of \$2,500 each. The committee may award fewer than four scholarships depending on the number/quality of applications received.

Eligibility

For the Friends of the Los Alamos County Library Scholarships, any senior enrolled and in good standing at Los Alamos High School, or an approved home study program within Los Alamos County, who plans to continue his or her education at a recognized institution by September of the year following graduation is eligible.

For the June and Harry Ettinger Memorial Scholarship, only Los Alamos High School graduating seniors are eligible.

Basis of Award (Essay Requirements)

A personal narrative of about 500 words, typewritten, one-sided, DOUBLE-SPACED, using 12-point font. The essay will concern an age-appropriate book that was NOT required for school and which has NOT been translated into a visual medium. Tell your readers in what ways this book has added to your understanding of the human condition or has enhanced your life. Please attach a cover sheet to your essay with your name, the book's title, and author, as well as have your essay printed one-sided.

You must confirm that the book you have selected has NOT been made into a movie or television movie or program, or that the book is NOT based upon a movie or television movie or program. If your book does not meet these criteria, your application and essay will not be considered.

Due to the personal nature of this essay, we insist that absolutely no form of artificial intelligence (AI) input or online report generators be used at any stage in the writing of your essay. On the cover sheet of your report, please confirm your adherence to this request by including the following statement: "I confirm that I have not used any form of AI or online report generators in the writing of this essay. The ideas expressed here and the words used are mine alone."

Application Procedure

1. Complete and submit the LAHS Local Scholarship Application.
2. Provide the required essay (follow all requirements).
3. Be willing to participate in an informal interview (if necessary).
4. Test scores are not required. However, you must show some proof of good standing, such as an unofficial transcript. Delivery of a transcript to our scholarship committee will be coordinated through LAHS by Jacqueline Nolen/LAHS College & Career Center. Home school students may submit other verification of progress.

Submission Instructions

Email your application to:

FiddleheadNM@gmail.com

OR

Mail your application to:

Friends of Los Alamos County Libraries Scholarship
c/o Scholarship Chair
4295 Trinity Drive
Los Alamos, NM 87544

Deadline:

Postmarked or delivered on or before Monday, March 30, 2026.

Note for Ettinger scholarship recipients: The family of June and Harry Ettinger highly value receiving a thank you note from the scholarship recipient. This acknowledgement is required within three months of the award. A name and address will be provided to the recipient when they receive their scholarship check.