



Friends Community Scholarship

Oakwood Friends School, located in the historic Hudson Valley of New York, invites students in grades 6 through 12 to learn through inquiry, reflection and engagement. Our program is informed by the Quaker testimonies and provides learning opportunities rooted in collaboration, civil discourse, deep listening, and mutual respect.

Our community is fundamentally grounded in the following:

- A belief that a resilient student must listen, synthesize, collaborate, adapt, and take action
- Quaker values of simplicity, peace, integrity, community, equality, and stewardship inform our curriculum, our service learning, and our community
- Our culturally and socio-economically diverse student body draws experience from a dozen countries and multiple faiths, family structures, and orientations



Oakwood Friends is a place where each student can feel safe to explore, take risks, engage, and challenge themselves.

To support the reach of Quaker education, we are initiating a *Friends Community Scholarship* program for those who are involved in the Friends community. This program aims to nourish the core of our mission, our Quaker faith. Open to any student applying to Oakwood, a Friends Community Scholar will receive a \$5,000 annual grant for a day student or a \$7,500 annual grant for boarding student. This grant is in addition to any need based financial grant.

Guidelines

Interested students should:

- Fill out an inquiry form at: <http://www.oakwoodfriends.org/admissions/>
- Choose one of the essay questions provided below and submit a 500 word essay with the subject “Friends Community Scholars”
- Essays should be submitted to admissions@oakwoodfriends.org by February 15th.

Essay Questions

1. What aspects of a Friends (Quaker) education speak most strongly to you?
2. Describe a time when you felt your engagement and energy brought positive light to your family, friends or community?
3. If William Penn were around today and you could engage him in a fifteen minute conversation on one