



April 5, 2019

Guidance Counselor  
Richfield Springs Central School  
36 W. Main Street  
Richfield Springs, NY 13439

Dear Guidance Counselor:

High school seniors have an opportunity to win a \$500 scholarship from Valley Health Services that will be awarded to a 2019 graduate of a high school located within Herkimer County. The winner must be planning to pursue higher education in a field employable by a nursing home, such as nursing, accounting, healthcare administration, social work, dietetics and rehabilitation. Preference will be given to a senior who has worked or completed volunteer work in a nursing home.

In order to be eligible for selection, the student must submit an official transcript showing a GPA of at least 85 and a typed essay of 500 words or less addressing:

- specific educational plans and goals
- the reason for career choice
- pertinent experiences in a nursing home
- volunteer time or employment in a nursing home

A school transcript is required to verify GPA.

**The transcripts and essays must be submitted by May 3, 2019**, to Connie Castellano, Director of Community Relations and Fund Development at Valley Health Services, 690 W. German Street, Herkimer, New York 13350.

Thank you, in advance, for your assistance in helping us notify your seniors of this information.

Sincerely,

Connie M. Castellano  
Director of Community Relations and Fund Development