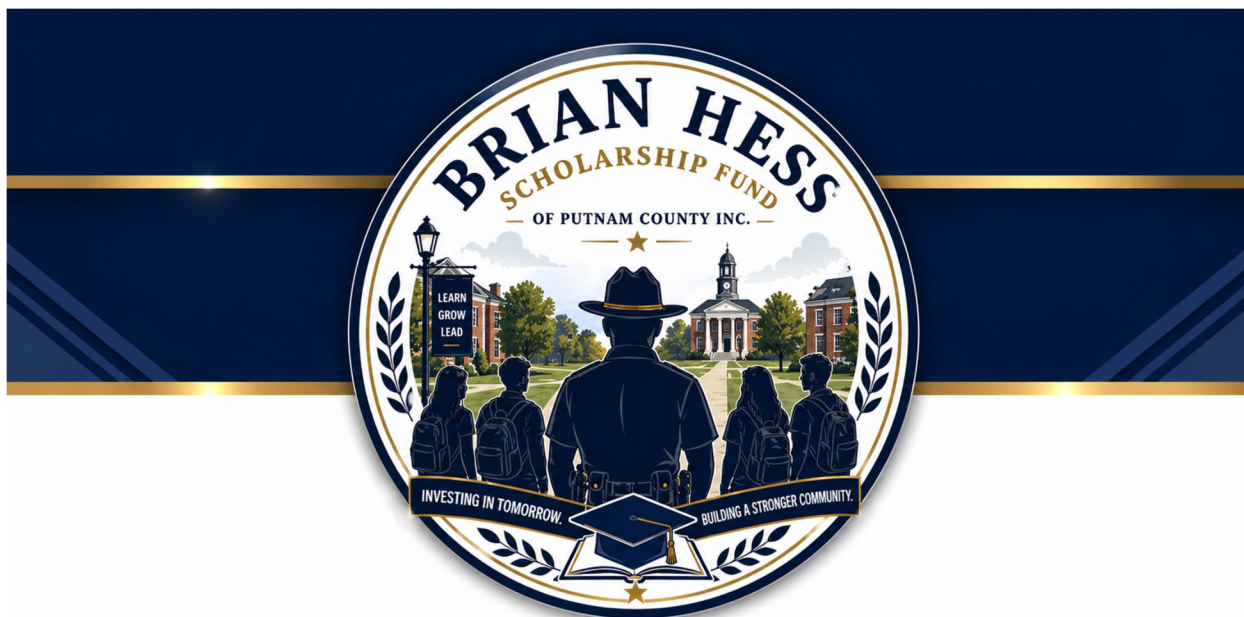




Brian Hess Scholarship Fund of Putnam County, Inc.

The **Brian Hess Scholarship Fund of Putnam County, Inc.** was established to recognize and support graduating high school seniors in Putnam County who demonstrate strong character, leadership, and a commitment to their community. This scholarship reflects the values of service, integrity, and dedication, all principles that are essential to building stronger and safer communities.

Each year, **one student from each of the five high schools in Putnam County** will be selected to receive this scholarship award. The fund is intended to assist students as they pursue higher education, whether at a college, university, trade school, or other accredited post-secondary institution.

Eligibility & Selection Criteria

Applicants must be graduating seniors enrolled in a Putnam County high school. In selecting recipients, the scholarship committee will consider students who demonstrate the following:

- **Academic Effort & Commitment**

A consistent dedication to their education, with demonstrated effort and a willingness to grow and improve.

- **Leadership**

Active participation in school or community activities, with the ability to lead by example, motivate others, and take initiative.

- **Community Involvement & Service**

A proven commitment to giving back through volunteer work, community service, or involvement in local initiatives.

- **Character & Integrity**

Demonstrates honesty, responsibility, respect for others, and strong moral character in both school and community settings.

- **Resilience & Perseverance**

The ability to overcome challenges, adapt to adversity, and maintain a positive outlook.

- **Future Goals & Ambition**

A clear sense of direction and motivation to pursue post-secondary education and contribute meaningfully to society.

Selection Process

Recipients will be chosen based on a holistic review of their application, which may include academic records, a personal essay, and evidence of community involvement. The goal is to identify students who not only excel academically but also embody the values of service, leadership, and dedication to others.