



APPLICATION – The Madelyn Orsini Award

The Madelyn Orsini Award is presented annually to a female student who demonstrates the values of WEDLI by her commitment to leadership and community service on Long Island.

Applicant must meet the following criteria:

- Nominated by an active member of WEDLI or by a faculty member at the applicant's post-secondary school or educational program.
- Has a future career goal focused on promoting economic growth and development on Long Island.
- Currently resides in Nassau, Suffolk, Kings (Brooklyn) or Queens County.
- Has successfully completed at least one year of coursework from any of the following post-secondary schools/educational programs: undergraduate; graduate; vocational; or technical.
- Students about to graduate are eligible.
- WEDLI members are not eligible for the award; family members are eligible.

Application deadline: March 19, 2026. Award winners will be determined by April 16, 2026, and presented with the award by June.

Name: _____

Home Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Post-secondary School/Educational Program Name: _____

Post-secondary School/Educational Program Address: _____

Major/Field of Study: _____

Month/Year of anticipated graduation: _____

Academic/program year you will be entering in Fall 2026 (if applicable): _____

WEDLI Sponsoring Member (if applicable) OR indicate how you learned about the award:

The information contained in this application is accurate and the written statement accompanying this application is original and written by me.

Signature: _____

Application must also include:

- A written statement as to why you should be considered for this award and what impact your education and/or your future career will have in economic development on Long Island. Please also tell us about your relevant extracurricular activities or community engagement.
- A letter of recommendation written by either a WEDLI member or faculty member.
- An Official Transcript is preferred, but an unofficial transcript will be accepted.

Send completed application by March 19, 2026, to:
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