

# D211 POST: HOFFMAN ESTATES HS SENIORS ENJOY SKATING EVENT



With the COVID-19 pandemic causing a lot of activities commonly enjoyed by seniors to be cancelled, schools are working to provide safe, enjoyable experiences for the class of 2021. Hoffman Estates High School provided one such activity when they offered a Senior Skate Night at the Scott R. Triphahn Community Center in Hoffman Estates February 21.

During the night, seniors could sign up to take part in a one-hour block where they could skate with several of their classmates. For many, it provided an opportunity to interact with friends again.

"I'm already seeing people safely in person that I haven't seen in months," said senior Sarah Hazenfield. "I think it's nice that the school is putting an effort to put things together for us. I am hoping to see more things like this."



Fellow senior Nick Aleksiev shared Hazenfield's opinion.

"I love going to Hoffman," he said. "I am grateful that they have given us the opportunity to do something safe and fun during this unfortunate senior year."

Abby Frank said having events like this can be helpful in dealing with stressful times.

"I was very excited when I got the email for this event," she said. "A lot of us have been sad about the events we have missed out on. It may not be the same, but sometimes different can be better."



Hazenfield said that after the pandemic is over, she would like to see this event become a tradition.

"I think this could still be really fun," she said. "It could almost be better than prom."

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**D211 POST: PALATINE BOOSTER CLUB  
ANNOUNCES 2020-2021 SCHOLARSHIPS**



# Scholarship Application

The Palatine High School Booster Club has announced that they are accepting applications for their 47th annual scholarship program. The program will award scholarships of \$1,000 to approximately 14 members of the Palatine High School Class of 2021.

To qualify for the scholarship, the applicants must be attending either community college, a 4-year college or university, or a certified trade or vocational school and must have a minimum 2.0 grade point average. If an applicant does not meet the GPA requirement, but has extenuating circumstances, they are encouraged to apply and include a statement explaining their situation. All applications must be submitted to Marla Morrissey in the PHS main office no later than 3:45 p.m., March 15, 2021.

The booster club's scholarship committee stated that they are looking for students who have demonstrated outstanding leadership, academic excellence, and have a history of service and volunteerism both at PHS and surrounding community.

Among this year's scholarships are the Charlotte M. and Robert C. Donahue Millennium Scholarship, which was donated by Palatine alumni Andy and Patrick Donahue in honor of their late parents; the Legacy Scholarship, which was donated by the Palatine High School Class of 1979; and 12 scholarships which have been named in honor of Mr. Fred Zajonc, a long time community leader, village trustee, and long-time member of the Palatine Booster Club.

For more information and to download the application visit <https://tinyurl.com/PHSBoosterScholarship2021>.