

September 2023 Scholarship Bulletin

** If you apply for any of these scholarships, please indicate on Naviance by selecting:*

- College Tab*
- Scholarship Applications*
- Select Scholarship*

This will help your guidance counselor identify what scholarships are of interest to you!

THIS SECTION OF SCHOLARSHIPS IS FOR SENIORS

(There is a section of scholarships for other grade levels later in the bulletin.)

Beacon Scholarship - (deadline is November 30, 2023)

The Beacon Scholarship for Rural America will award \$1,000 scholarships to ONE winner in the Spring and TWO winners in the Fall semester to graduating high school seniors, current college students or adult learners planning to enroll in an accredited college program during the 2023-2024 academic year. Must reside in a rural area and meet low-income criteria outlined in the terms and conditions. Must be college-bound graduating high school seniors, current college students or adult learners with a GPA of 3.0 or higher (high school or college) who are planning to enroll in an accredited college program. Two letters of recommendations are required. In addition, an essay is required on the following topic:

“How have you shown patriotism through your community involvement?”

For more information and to apply, please visit

https://www.carrot-top.com/beacon-scholarship?utm_source=Klaviyo&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Beacon%20Scholarship%20Reminder%20%2801H2DRNF7ZACC4ACB5TYSTEJSD%29&utm_content=campaign

Build a Better Future Scholarship - (deadline is April 8, 2024)

Five (5) \$10,000 awards are available for graduating high school seniors attending a US-based university, college, or trade school to continue education. This scholarship is to recognize those students who are actively working on making a difference in their communities. For more information, please visit

<https://www.honorsgraduation.com/graduation-scholarship.htm>.

Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation Scholarship – (deadline is October 2, 2023)

Current high school/home-school students attending school in one of the 50 U.S. states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, or select DoD schools who will graduate high school during the 2023-2024 academic school year are eligible for this \$20,000 scholarship. Applicants may not be children or grandchildren of current employees, officers, or owners of Coca-Cola bottling companies, The Coca-Cola Company, Company division or subsidiaries. Applicants may not be children or grandchildren of former employees currently receiving retirement benefits. Must have a minimum 3.0 GPA. For more information and to apply, please visit <https://webportalapp.com/sp/login/ccsf>.

Hagan Scholarship - (deadline is April 20, 2024)

This scholarship is a nationwide need-based merit scholarship, providing recipients with the opportunity to graduate college debt-free. This scholarship provides up to \$7,500 each semester for up to eight (8) consecutive semesters. Must be a citizen of the United States, have a 3.5 cumulative GPA, enroll at an eligible four-year college or university following high school graduation, must work 240 hours from January 1, 2024 until commencement of the 2024 fall semester in college. More information can be found by visiting, https://haganscholarships.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/9-3-23-2024-HSF-BROCHURE-su3.pdf?time=1597111886%22_blank%22.

Heisman High School Scholarship – (deadline is October 17, 2023)

This scholarship recognizes and rewards both male and female high school senior athletes who are community-minded and driven to use their exceptional talents for the benefit of all. Must have a 3.0 GPA or better, participate in or have participated in grades 9, 10, or 11 in at least one of the sports recognized by the International Olympic Committee in the Summer and Winter Olympic Games, the Paralympic Games or the National Federation of State High School Associations and have demonstrated leadership at school and in the community. For more information, please visit <https://heismanscholarship.com/>. Deadline is October 17, 2023 at 3 p.m. PT/6 p.m. ET.

H.O.P.E – Jeanette Cartwright Memorial Scholarship – (deadline is March 15, 2024)

High school seniors pursuing post-secondary education who not only demonstrate exemplary academic and extracurricular talent, but continue to do so through the lingering effects of their families' cancer journey, are eligible for this scholarship. Must be a current high school senior who has an immediate family member diagnosed with cancer or one who has recently lost a family member to cancer. An application will be available on Naviance under the colleges tab, scholarships and money drop down menu and then by clicking the scholarship list.

Randy Rebert Softball Scholarship - (deadline is April 1, 2024)

This annual scholarship will be awarded to one biological female applicant. This scholarship is for \$500 awarded to a senior currently playing high school softball and pursuing a post-high school education that involves continued play in the sport at the college/university level. Must have a minimum GPA of a 2.5, require financial need, be admitted to an accredited 2 - or 4 - year college or university as a full-time student and continue to play in the sport for the entire academic year. An essay and two letters of recommendations are required. Additional information will be available on Naviance under the colleges tab, scholarships and money drop down menu and then by clicking the scholarship list.

SMART Scholarship - (deadline is December 1, 2023)

The Science, Mathematics, and Research for Transformation (SMART) Scholarship-for-Service Program is a combined education and workforce development opportunity for STEM students. Must have a minimum 3.0 GPA, be a citizen of the United States, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, or United Kingdom at time of application, be 18 years of age or older as of August 1, 2024, requesting at least 1 year of degree funding prior to graduation (which starts at the program start date) and pursuing a technical undergraduate or graduate degree in one of the 24 STEM disciplines listed below:

- Aeronautical and Astronautical Engineering
- Biomedical Engineering
- Biosciences
- Chemical Engineering
- Chemistry
- Civil Engineering
- Cognitive, Neural, and Behavioral Sciences
- Computer Science and Engineering
- Cybersecurity
- Data Science and Analytics
- Electrical Engineering
- Environmental Sciences
- Geosciences
- Industrial and Systems Engineering
- Information Sciences
- Materials Science and Engineering
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Naval Architecture and Ocean Engineering
- Nuclear Engineering
- Oceanography
- Operations Research
- Physics
- Software Engineering

For more information, please visit <https://www.smartscholarship.org/smart>.

THIS SECTION OF SCHOLARSHIPS IS AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS GRADES 9 - 12

Fastweb: National Scholarship Directory - (deadlines vary)

This directory organizes scholarships into simple categories for use. Below is the link for the national scholarship directory.

[National Scholarship Directory](#)

Fastweb: Top Scholarships for Students at All Levels - (deadlines vary)

Below are links for scholarships available for both high school seniors and juniors:

[Scholarships for High School Seniors](#)

[Scholarships for High School Juniors](#)

Institutional Scholarships

***Many Colleges/Universities offer a variety of scholarships. This will be listed online for the College/University you may be inquiring about.**

NC State University – Park Scholarships Program

This program includes a four-year scholarship awarded on the basis of outstanding accomplishments and potential in scholarship, leadership, service and character. For more information, please visit

<https://park.ncsu.edu/about/>. Deadline is November 1, 2023.

Scholarship Links

www.finaid.org – links to scholarships, grants, loans, graduate aid

www.studentaid.ed.gov – information from the U.S. Dept. of Ed. on preparing for and funding education beyond high school.

www.fastweb.com – create a profile and let fastweb do the research for you.

www.cashcourse.org – provides financial education resources for colleges. It's online, it's free, it's noncommercial, and it's brought to you by The National Endowment for Financial Education®.

www.cksf.org – educational & scholarship opportunities for students of all levels.

www.cappex.com – free website where you learn which colleges want you, before you apply. Compare colleges based on the things that matter most to you, and add your personal notes and rankings.

www.scholarships.com – free college scholarship search and financial aid information.

www.scholarshipamerica.org – provides information and resources for your scholarship search.

www.meritaid.com – A comprehensive directory of merit scholarships and academic scholarships from colleges across the country.

www.knowhow2go.org – complete information on college prep.

www.gocollege.com – GoCollege.com is one of the oldest and most trusted resources to guide students on how to finance and succeed in college.

www.wiredscholar.com – Browse through more than 3 million scholarships worth over \$16 billion.

www.tfec.org – The Foundation for Enhancing Communities (TFEC) offers nearly 100 scholarships from a variety of scholarship funds.

www.scholarshipguidance.com – Information on many scholarships available.

www.studentscholarships.org – Registered Users will be matched with **Scholarships, Bursaries, and Grants**, that fit their profile. To access their Free Scholarship Database, simply create your own profile.

www.ChristianConnector.com – Provides a free Christian college information service as well as a \$2,500 Christian college scholarship drawing.

<http://www.college-scholarships.com/> – Links to 70 online scholarship search sites; has an online GPA calculator; links to colleges with comprehensive programs for students with learning and other disabilities; links to Catholic and Christian colleges by state; and has information on online colleges, community colleges, and four-year colleges by state.

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/> – Through College Board complete 6 tasks and get entered to win scholarship money as you go through the college planning and application process.

FINANCIAL AID RESOURCES WEBSITES

4-FED (1-800-433-3243)

Applying for Financial Aid

- fsaid.ed.gov—to register for a federal PIN
- www.fafsa.ed.gov (FAFSA) (1-800-4FED-AID) (To apply for PIN number, to submit FAFSA, find Federal School Codes)
- www.collegeboard.org (CSS/Financial Aid Profile)

Financial Aid Resources

- www.ed.gov/finaid.html—funding your education, student guide, tax benefits of higher education
- www.studentaid.ed.gov—publications on student aid, portal for student aid, tax credits
- www.pheaa.org (PA State Grants and special program)
- www.nasfaa.org—National and international assistance
- nslds.ed.gov—National Student Loan Data System
- www.finaid.org—sources of financial aid—scholarships, grants, loans, scams

College Savings

- www.upromise.com/aes-nationwide program that allows families to save for college by purchasing the products of participating manufacturers— “friends and family” option allows the cardholder to have the savings of others added to their account— way for parents of young children to accumulate savings for future college expenses and for parents to help college grads to help children pay off student loans.
- www.finaid.org/calculators
- www.aessuccess.org—create account, manage student loans, learn about repayment, get forms and student loan information

Scholarship Search

- www.fastweb.com—comprehensive scholarship search
- www.scholarships.com—comprehensive scholarship search
- www.collegeboard.org
- www.EducationPlanner.org—comprehensive scholarship database
- www.scholarshipexperts.com—comprehensive scholarship database
- scholarshipopportunity.org/schoolsoup/ —comprehensive scholarship database
- www.collegescholarship.org—comprehensive scholarship database
- www.bigfuture.collegeboard.org - free scholarship search
- www.hsf.net - Hispanic Scholarship Fund
- www.naACP.org/page/s/scholarship2 - NAACP scholarship information and application
- www.blackexcel.org - free minority scholarship information
- www.collegetreasure.com/scholarengine.html - free scholarship search

Athletics

- www.ncaa.org—National Collegiate Athletic Association
- www.naia.org—National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics
- www.njcaa.org—National Junior College Athletic Association
- www.va.gov—Department of Veterans Affairs

INSTITUTIONAL AID

Grants, scholarships, discounts, loans and/or employment may be available at the school of your choice. Each institution differs, so contact the Financial Aid Office at each school. Institutional applications may be required. Deadlines are important!

PRIVATE SOURCES

Many private sources of scholarships and/or loans are available through agency sponsorships, company-sponsored tuition reimbursement plans, VA benefits, AmeriCorps, the PA National Guard, churches, and civic organizations.

NOTE: Shop around for student loans. Different rates are available from different lenders.