



December Scholarship Scoop



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To be eligible for merit scholarships offered by individual universities/colleges you MUST APPLY EARLY! BEFORE December 1, 2019.

Check with your school regarding these opportunities and their deadlines!

College Board Opportunity Scholarship	11 th & 12 th	\$500-\$40,000	<p>Introducing the College Board Opportunity Scholarships! A clearer path to college for all students! Applying for college is complicated process, so we've created a program that guides you through it. It doesn't require an essay, application, or minimum GPA. Instead, it rewards your effort and initiative. Complete key steps along your path to college for a chance to earn scholarships! The more effort you put in, the more opportunities you have to earn a scholarship. Complete all six, and you're eligible to earn \$40,000. Scholarships will be awarded through monthly drawings to students who complete each action.</p> <p><i>1. Build Your College List: \$500</i> Get started by exploring colleges you're interested in. You'll need to add six or more colleges to be eligible for the scholarship.</p> <p><i>2. Practice for the SAT: \$1,000</i> Use Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy® to get ready for test day.</p> <p><i>3. Improve Your Score: \$2,000</i> Show how practice pays off by improving your SAT score.</p> <p><i>4. Strengthen Your College List: \$500</i> Make sure your college list has a mix of academic safety, match, and reach schools.</p> <p><i>5. Complete the FAFSA: \$1,000</i> Fill out the free government form to apply for financial aid.</p> <p><i>6. Apply to Colleges: \$1,000</i> Apply to the schools you want to attend.</p> <p><i>Complete Your Journey: \$40,000</i> Complete all six scholarship steps to be eligible for a \$40,000 scholarship.</p>	Ongoing
American Psychological Association	12 th	Varies	<p>APA & its affiliates provide a wide range of grants, scholarships and awards with the aim of advancing the science and practice of psychology as a means of understanding behavior and promoting health, education and human welfare. Search the directory at http://www.apa.org/about/awards/</p>	Various
Varsity Tutors	12 th	\$1,000 monthly	<p>Monthly scholarship where students must write an essay in response to a monthly prompt. For more info: http://varsitytutors.com/college-scholarship</p>	Ongoing
SWE	12 th	Varies	<p>Scholarship supports women pursuing careers in engineering, engineering technology and computer science. For more info: http://societyofwomenengineers.swe.org/scholarships#activepanels</p>	Varies
Southern Scholarship Foundation	12 th		<p>Financial need, GPA of 3.0 or higher, Outstanding character, Motivation, and Acceptance to a University Provide a high-resolution, recent color photograph of yourself on photo paper. Must have a copy of the official acceptance notice from FSU, UF, FAMU, FGCU, TCC, or SFCC. This includes computerized notice. Three letters of recommendation and an essay of 500-750 words. http://www.southernscholarship.org/</p>	No Deadline

The Coolidge Scholarship of America	11th	Varies	The Coolidge Scholarship of America Varies 11 2020 Coolidge Scholarship applicants must intend to enroll full-time at an accredited U.S. college or university as an undergraduate for the first time in fall 2021. That is to say, students in their junior year of high school, or the equivalent if home schooled, are eligible to apply. (Students who are currently high school juniors but take some courses at a local college are indeed eligible to apply for the Coolidge Scholarship.) For more information go to https://coolidgescholars.org/	1/01/20
Foot Locker Scholar Athletes	12th	\$20,000	In order to be eligible for the Foot Locker Scholar Athletes program, the applicant must: - Be a current high school senior entering a four-year, accredited US college or university in the Fall of 2020 - Be currently a member (in good standing) of a high school sports team or be involved in after-school sports (e.g. intramurals, martial arts, etc.) - Have maintained an unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher from ninth grade to first semester of 12th grade - Be a U.S. citizen or US Permanent Legal Resident - Foot Locker employees and their immediate family members are ineligible. https://footlocker.smapply.io/prog/athletes/	1/03/20
Bay News 9 Project Weather Scholarship	12th	\$1,000	Academic, Science and Community Accomplishments Contest. Granted to promote education in science and weather. http://www.baynews9.com/projectweather.html	01/06/20
Beta Sigma Zeta Chapter Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc	12th	Varies	Must be female senior student at a Title I high school or an International equivalent high school. Must be graduating in May (spring) of the award year and enrolling as a full-time student in an accredited college or university in the fall of the same year. Must have a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale and demonstrate financial need. Community service and involvement is a plus. For more information and application, visit: http://www.zpbnef1975.org/scholarships--descriptions.html	1/16/20
2019 Union Plus® Scholarship Program	12th	\$500 to \$ 4,000	Dependent children of current & retired members of unions participating in any Union Plus program; must be accepted into a U.S accredited college, university, community college, technical or trade school; awards must be used for the 2017- 18 school year. For more information and to apply visit: https://1unionplusscholars.communityforce.com/Funds/Search.aspx-4371597136646D517975544F5976596D4E73384E69673D3D	1/31/20
Florida PTA High School Scholarships	12th	\$2,000	Florida PTAs offering a minimum of (8) scholarships to students wishing to pursue their education at a university, fine arts, community college, or vocational/technical college. To be eligible: You must be a high school senior attending a Florida PTA/PTSA school in good standing You must be a PTA/PTSA member You must have a unweighted GPA of 3.0 or higher for university and fine arts, 2.5 or higher ofr communitu college, and 2.0 or higher for vocational/trade college Apply online at: https://floridapta.org/graduating-hs-seniors/	
Pasco Education Foundation	12th	Varies	Pasco Education Foundation Scholarships Generous donors to the Pasco Education Foundation help make these scholarships possible for students. A committee of application reviewers award scholarships to graduating seniors in Pasco County Public Schools who have applied and met certain criteria through a competitive process. Pasco Education Foundation scholarships are intended for students who are graduating seniors from a Pasco County Public School, who will be attending post-secondary education at a college, university or technical school. Applications must be completed by the student, including accompanying essays. Verification of information is subject to review. Graduating Seniors can apply for over 50 Scholarships in two different categories – College/University Pathway and the Trade/Technical Pathway. To view a list of available scholarships please click here. The 2019/2020 Senior Scholarship Applications are now open. Click here to begin your application.	1/31/2020

2020 Sunshine Opportunity Scholarships ,	12 th	20,000	<p>Applications for the 2020 Sunshine Opportunity Scholarships, sponsored by the Godbold Foundation Inc., are available ONLINE at www.sunshineopportunitiescholarships.com to high school seniors in Hillsborough, Pinellas and Pasco counties.</p> <p>The scholarship application period runs from December 1, 2019 to March 1, 2020. Ten scholarship awards are expected to be made, with winners notified in early April. The scholarship is worth \$20,000 over four years (\$5,000 per year). Applicants should be high achieving high school seniors who have overcome significant obstacles in life and who plan to attend a <u>public university</u> in Florida for their undergraduate studies.</p> <p>To apply, students should go to www.sunshineopportunitiescholarships.com and click on the link to the scholarship form.</p> <p>In 2019, the first year the awards were made, 10 students received Sunshine Opportunity Scholarships – five from Pinellas County, two from Pasco County and three from Hillsborough County. If you have questions, send e-mail to scholarship administrator, Nancy Waclawek at nancy@sunshineopportunitiescholarships.com</p>	2/01/2020
WREC Educational Foundation, Inc.		\$11,000	<p>Since 1997 the WREC Educational Foundation has awarded 1,974 scholarships with a potential pay out of more than \$13 million to high school seniors who live within our service area, and plan to attend an in-state, accredited college, university, or technical school.</p> <p>Successful Candidates Must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a high school senior and maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA. • Be a bona fide resident within the service area of Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative, Inc., for at least one year prior to December 31. • Be the dependent of a Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative, Inc., member. • Plan to attend an in-state college, university or technical school full time (minimum of 12 credit hours per semester). Schools must be accredited by one of the six regional accrediting institutions, such as SACS, recognized by the Council on Higher Education Accreditation. If the institution is a technical school it should be accredited by the Council on Occupational Education or its equivalent. • Maintain a 2.0 GPA each semester (or higher if mandated by the institution) to maintain eligibility. <p>Successful candidates will receive \$1,375 per semester (maximum \$11,000) for undergraduate studies. Applications are available at any WREC office, or your Guidance office, or you may download and print a copy of the application by clicking here: Scholarship Application Form. Completed applications must be returned to WREC Educational Foundation, P.O. Box 278, Dade City, FL 33526-0278. The screening and recommendation of candidates will be at the discretion of a committee designated by WREC.</p> <p>Application forms will be available December 1, 2019 and must be postmarked no later than March 20, 2020. For any questions pertaining to the application please call 352-437-2707 or email crizer@wrec.net.</p>	3/20/2020
BHW Scholarship	12 th	\$3,000	<p>APPLICATION OPENS January 2019</p> <p>Women who are pursuing an undergraduate or master's degree and are majoring in science, technology, engineering, or mathematics during the 2019 school year. Applications for Fall 2019 will open in January, 2019. If you want to get a head start on Fall 2019, you can write an essay on either of the following topics: 1.Tell us about your favorite app and what you like about it. 2.Tell us about a time an app played a significant role in improving your day. For more information and to apply, visit: https://thebhwgroup.com/scholarship</p>	4/15/20
The Right Fit Foundation	12 th	\$1,000 - \$5,000	<p>Residence of Pasco, Hillsborough, and Pinellas 3.0 GPA, preference to middle income families www.rightfitfoundation.org</p>	04/30/20
The Holliday Karatinos, PLLC Scholarship Program	12 th	\$500 - \$2500	<p>The Holliday Karatinos, PLLC Scholarship Program is designed to help high school seniors and college students who are interested in pursuing an institution of higher education. With combined scholarship grants worth \$5,000, we are excited to help students achieve their goals as we recognize</p>	5/1/20

			the value of education as a vital foundation for the creation and fulfillment of advantageous careers. We look forward to reviewing your application, and wish you success in all your future endeavors. https://www.helpinginjuredpeople.com/college-scholarship/	
Healthcare Administration Degree Guide (HADG)	12 th	\$1,500	Available to all US citizens pursuing a bachelors or master's degree in healthcare administration or healthcare management at an accredited university. The scholarship can be viewed at http://www.healthcare-administration-degree.net/healthcare-administration-and-management-scholarship/	5/15/20
BigSun Scholarship	12 th	\$500	The BigSun Organization is proud to be able to continue to help young athletes succeed in their academic pursuits. We are offering an annual scholarship to a deserving student. All student athletes are eligible for this award, regardless of which sport they are participating in. http://www.bigsunathletics.com/	6/19/2020
Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)	12 th	Varied Amounts	Get Help paying for college! Apply by clicking on the link below: https://fafsa.ed.gov	Applications opens October 1, 2019
Florida Bright Futures	12 th	Varied Amounts	For specific requirements and application visit: http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org PLEASE NOTE: We will be working with all Seniors at GHS to complete this application via the English class during the month of October.	8/31/20
Next Scoop: January 17, 2020				

Additional Resources

Scholar Snapp - A free, simple to use data standard that allows students to reuse their application information - including contact information, essays, transcripts, etc. - from one scholarship application to another thereby streamlining the college scholarship application process.

Scholly – A mobile app that provides students with a fast and simple way to find scholarships for college.

(Created by Christopher Gray, a Coca-Cola Scholar!)

Peerlift - Proven scholarships, internships, summer programs, and more gathered by fellow students like you. (Founded by a team of 2017 Coca-Cola Scholars!) Learn more about the creation of Peerlift.

Fastweb – Create a profile and let fastweb do the research on scholarships, internships colleges and more for you.

Cappex – A free website where you can learn which colleges want you, before you apply and learn about more than \$11 billion in merit aid scholarships.

Scholarships.com– A free college scholarship search and financial aid information.

Scholarship America – Provides information and resources for your scholarship search.

HS Finder (Hispanic Scholarship Fund) – Scholarship information for Latino students.

Thurgood Marshall College Fund – Provides scholarships, programmatic and capacity building support to the 47 public Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).

Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund – The nation's largest non-profit organization devoted to providing college scholarships for Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI).

American Indian College Fund – Provides Native American students with scholarships and financial support for the nation's 33 accredited tribal colleges and universities.

Dell Scholars Program – Recognizes academic potential and determination in students that have a definite need for financial assistance.

UNCF – Awards 10,000 students each year through 400 scholarship and internship programs so that students from low- and moderate-income families can afford college tuition, books and room and board.

[Chegg](#) – A place to connect with scholarships and learn about colleges.

[Reagan Foundation Scholarships](#) - Scholarship opportunities for outstanding student leaders.

[American Indian Graduate Center & AIGCS](#) - The largest scholarship providers to Native students in the United States, awarding \$15 million in scholarships annually and more than \$200 million since inception. For almost 50 years, AIGC has funded students pursuing undergraduate, graduate, and professional degrees in any field of study at any accredited institution of choice, working with over 500 tribes in all 50 states.