Scholarship Programs and Search Engines



This document is organized by the month each scholarship application is **DUE**. Please note the applications open at varying times, which are listed for each scholarship. Be sure to use scholarship specific websites for additional information and to verify specifics of the fund.

This document is live and updated regularly.

September 2025

Bryan Cameron Foundation: The Cameron Impact Scholarship is a four-year, full-tuition, impact-driven undergraduate scholarship awarded annually to 10-15 exceptional high school students who have demonstrated excellence in leadership, community service, extracurricular activities, and academics. **JUNIORS** should look into this for next year.

The Gates Scholarship: The Gates Scholarship (TGS) is a highly selective, last-dollar scholarship for outstanding, minority, high school seniors from low-income households. Each year, the scholarship is awarded to exceptional student leaders, with the intent of helping them realize their maximum potential.

Questbridge: High-achieving, low-income students can receive guaranteed full four-year scholarships to 50 of the nation's best colleges.

Niche Back to School Scholarships: No Essay.

College Board Scholarship Opportunities - Big Future: This fund rewards you for doing what you already are doing: planning for life after high school. With no essay, minimum GPA, test score, or citizenship requirements, BigFuture makes it easy to enter drawings (yes, plural!) each month.

SM Scholarship: \$2,000. There are many other scholarships with September deadlines on this page. To be eligible for the scholarship a student must: A) Be enrolled as a high school senior or a student enrolled at an accredited college or university located within the United States and carry a GPA of at least 2.5. Applications can be found by going to: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/18358/sm-scholarship.

October 2025

Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation: The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation invests in exceptional students who are dedicated to leadership, service, and action that positively affects others.

Morehead Cain Scholarship - UNC Chapel Hill: UNC Chapel Hill merit based scholarship program. School or personal nomination. Students must demonstrate leadership, moral force of character, scholarship, and physical vigor.

Thomas Wolfe Scholarship - UNC Chapel Hill: The Thomas Wolfe Scholarship seeks to identify and reward students with exceptionally focused literary ability and promise. The scholarship offers full four year financial support including tuition, room and board, books, laptop, etc.

Top of the Mountain Memorial Scholarship: \$5,000. To be eligible for the scholarship a student must: A) Be a high school senior or undergraduate student who has worked, interned, and/or volunteered in environmental causes. STEM majors are preferred but not required. Applications can be found by going to: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/25434/top-of-the-mountain-memorial-scholarship

Women's Ministries Scholarship Program: \$20,000. To be eligible for the scholarship a student must: A) Be a woman who would not be able to attend college without financial help. B) Be a woman who is committed to serving the mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church who would otherwise be unable to afford a college education. Applications can be found by going to: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/10046/women_s_ministries_scholarship_program

Voice of Democracy Scholarship: \$35,000. To be eligible for the scholarship a student must: A) Be a high school student between the grades 9-12. B) Be enrolled in a public, private, or parochial high school or home study program in the United States. Applications can be found by going to: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/9228/voice_of_democracy_scholarship

November 2025

Belk Scholarship - Davidson College: Comprehensive funding (tuition, fees, room, & board) plus 2 study stipends. Academic Excellence & enthusiasm, integrity, and leadership ability and potential. Must be school nominated (up to 2 candidates per year).

Goodnight Scholarship - NC State: For high achieving students with family incomes under 120,000. Intended majors in STEM or STEM Education.

Regeneron Science Talent Search: \$250,000. To be eligible for the scholarship a student must: A) Be a current high school student who will graduate during the 2025-2026 year. B) Submit original research in a critically important scientific field of study. Applications can be found by going to: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/20481/regeneron-science-talent-search

Levine Scholars: UNC-Charlotte's premier scholarship. Full tuition/room & board/and summer programs. Schools can nominate students.

Park Scholarship - NC State: Full tuition/room & Board/educational trips; Students must demonstrate: scholarship, leadership, service & character.

Prudential Emerging Visionaries: ALL grade levels are eligible to apply. They accept applications from young leaders ages 14-18 across the country who are challenging the status quo and bringing fresh perspectives to solving financial and societal challenges.

Ron Brown Scholar Program: The Ron Brown Scholarship honors the legacy of Ronald H. Brown through a selective scholarship program that advances higher education for community-minded and intellectually gifted African Americans. Applicants must excel academically, show exceptional leadership potential and make an impact on their community through service to others.

Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards: \$10,000. To be eligible for the scholarship a student must: A) Be currently enrolled in high school and graduating in the spring of 2025. B) Have a minimum unweighted 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale or 7.5 on a 10.0 scale. Applications can be found by going to: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/13676/hispanic heritage youth awards

Dr. Juan Andrade Jr. Scholarship: \$1,000. To be eligible for the scholarship a student must: A) Have at least one parent of Hispanic ancestry. B) Demonstrate a verifiable need for financial support. Applications can be found by going to:

https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/9600/dr_juan_andrade_jr_scholarship

NHS Scholarship: For National Honor Society Members. This year, we are awarding \$2 million in scholarships to 600 students. Each year, scholarship recipients are selected based on their demonstration of the four pillars of NHS: Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character.

North Carolina Elks Lodge Most Valuable Student: Apply online at enf.elks.org/MVS. Ranging from \$1,000 per year to \$7,500 per year, Most Valuable Student scholarships are for students pursuing a four-year degree, on a full-time basis (minimum of 12 semester hours), in a U.S. college or university. All scholarships are in the form of certificates of award conditional upon the full-time enrollment of the winner in an accredited U.S. college or university. You should select Elks Lodge #449 from the list.

December 2025

AIAA Aerospace STEM and Engineering Scholarships: Applications typically open September 1st.

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

Equitable Excellence Scholarship: To support students throughout their academic journeys, Equitable will provide 100 \$5,000 annual scholarships that will be renewed to award recipients each academic year for four years, for a total of \$20,000 per recipient. The company will also award 100 one-time \$2,500 scholarships that can help students to underwrite immediate costs associated with higher education such as tuition, books or room and board.

G2 Overachievers Student Grant: Pilot Pen is looking for students who go above and beyond to make their communities and our world a better place. \$15,000 grant.

January 2026

AIAA and Club for the Future's Resilient Student Scholarship: AIAA and Club for the Future's Resilient Student Scholarship was created in 2023 with a profound commitment to promote diversity, equity, and inclusion in the aerospace industry. This scholarship is specifically designed to empower and

inspire students who have faced unique challenges: students with disabilities; from underrepresented racial and ethnic backgrounds, gender minorities, or disadvantaged socioeconomic circumstances; and first-generation college students.

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

Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship: A Scholarship and mentorship program for minority students. https://connect.jackierobinson.org/www/documents/2023%20JRF%20Scholarship.pdf?utm_campaign=network&utm_medium=email&utm_source=programs&utm_term=FY24.

Reagan Foundation Scholarship Program - GE: The GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship offers college scholarships of up to \$40,000 for high school seniors nationwide who showcase leadership, drive, integrity, and citizenship.

Speaking Up About Mental Health Essay Contest: Sponsored by the National Institute of Mental Health. This contest gives teens the opportunity to make their voices heard and explore ways to reduce mental health stigma that young people may face when seeking mental health treatment.

March 2026

Aubrey Lee Brooks Scholarship: For specific NC county residents - must plan to attend UNCG, UNC Chapel Hill, or NC State. Established in 1955 by a Trust endowed by the late Aubrey Lee Brooks, these scholarships are available to graduating high school seniors from a 14-county area of North Carolina. The North Carolina State Education Assistance Authority provides central administration for the Brooks Foundation.

Golden Leaf Scholarship: The Golden LEAF Scholarship strives to increase economic opportunities for North Carolina's rural, tobacco-dependent, and economically distressed areas by investing in students who commit to attend a North Carolina institution, graduate, and return to a rural community in the state.

April 2026

Barron Prize: The Barron Prize honors outstanding young leaders who have "organized and led an extraordinary service activity which has clearly benefited other people or the planet we share." Applicants must be between 8 and 18, to be eligible for a top prize of \$10,000.

Moravian Scholarship: NORTH AMERICAN MORAVIAN HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS (WOMEN)!! Criteria for Selection:1- ACTIVE IN A MORAVIAN COMMUNITY OR CONGREGATION – Moravian Church NORTHERN PROVINCE, Moravian Church SOUTHERN PROVINCE, 2-FINANCIAL NEED, 3- DEMONSTRATED COMMITMENT TO ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE, 4- COMMITMENT TO SERVICE in church and/or community. ONE recipient in EACH Moravian Province in NORTH AMERICA will receive \$1000 per academic year for up to four years, beginning in the Fall of 2025. For more information, read the Application Instructions on the website.

Winston Salem Foundation Scholarships: Scholarships are available in a wide range of areas—no matter your GPA, your high school, or the college you plan to attend, we likely have an opportunity for which you're eligible to apply.

Founders Scholarship: The Betsy Y. Justus NC TECH Founders Scholarship was established in memory of NC TECH's founding CEO. Following her passing in the summer of 2011, NC TECH launched a scholarship based on her wishes to support young women in North Carolina who are pursuing an academic and career path in the areas of Technology or Engineering. Every year, two students are selected to receive a scholarship of \$1,000 per year (\$4,000 for a four-year school, \$2,000 for a two-year associate's degree) and a <u>Lenovo</u> laptop.

Balkhi Foundation Scholarship: The Balkhi Foundation Higher Education Scholarship seeks to help talented young people make college more attainable through a \$1000 scholarship. These ten annual renewable awards are granted to exceptional high school seniors accepted to a US based college or university who demonstrate a financial need. Current high school seniors with a 3.5 weighted or unweighted GPA with financial need are encouraged to apply.

May 2026

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

June 2026

National Women of Achievement: Applications due in June typically. Awards scholarships to assist graduating high school students with tuition, fees, books, etc. Scholarship recipients are selected based on their academic record, student-written essays, letters of recommendation, leadership skills, community service participation, and extracurricular activities.

General Scholarships

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated - Phi Omega Chapter: No dates posted yet. The scholarship awards are intended to provide African American females an opportunity to achieve their post-secondary educational pursuits.

Bold.org Scholarships: Access thousands of exclusive scholarships across hundreds of categories, all available only on Bold.org. Browse the categories below to find the perfect scholarship for you.

First Robotics - The Dr. Bart Kamen memorial FIRST scholarship Fund: The Dr. Bart Kamen Memorial FIRST Scholarship Fund provides funding to undergraduate students pursuing biomedical engineering or pre-medical degrees.

Horatio Alger Targeted Scholarships:

- Dennis & Phyllis Washington Foundation Scholarship: College of Idaho.
- Denny Sanford Scholarship: Arizona State University. Augustana University. Black Hills State
 University. Dakota State University. Long Island University. National University. NOva
 Southeastern University. South Dakota School of Mines. South Dakota State University.

University of California at San Diego. University of Minnesota - Twin Cities. University of Sioux Falls. University of South Dakota.

- High Point University Scholarship: Application typically opens December 1st.
- Janet S. Dicke Scholarship: Trinity University (Texas).
- Mel Klein Scholarship: Baylor University, Colgate University, Columbia University, Stanford University, Tulane University, or University of Texas.
- Montana Scholarship: The University of Montana or one of its affiliates, which include: Helena College, Missoula College, Montana Tech at Butte, The University of Montana at Missoula, The University of Montana Western at Dillon. Montana State University or one of its affiliates, which include: Great Falls College MSU, Montana State University Billings, Montana State University at Bozeman, Montana State University Northern at Havre.
- Patricia Cole Scholarship: STEM or business degree focus.
- Robert G. Miller: College of Idaho and Boise State University.
- Santa Clara University Schott Family Scholarship: Application typically opens December 1st.

Native Forward & 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.

National Society of High School Scholars: NSHSS and its partners offer more than \$2,000,000 in scholarships annually. All students are eligible to apply for high school and college scholarships in the areas of academic excellence, entrepreneurship, leadership, literature, medicine, music, STEM, sustainability, visual arts, and more.

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.

Simmons Memorial Foundation Scholarships: Three scholarships to recognize student achievement (CTSMS, NPSMS, and NPSJMS).

STAMPS Scholars: Various Institutions. Each year, approximately 360 Stamps Scholarship recipients join our diverse and talented community. Through partnerships with institutions across the nation (and into the U.K.), Scholars receive annual awards that range from \$6,000 to \$90,000 (four-year awards total an average of \$24,000-\$360,000) with additional funds for enrichment activities such as study abroad, academic conferences, and leadership training. The Stamps Scholars Program and partner schools evenly share the costs of the awards.

Stratford Rotary Club Scholarship: Speak with Dr. MacDonald about.

Thurgood Marshall College Fund: The Thurgood Marshall College Fund is an American non-profit organization that supports and represents nearly 300,000 students attending its 47 member-schools that include public historically black colleges and universities

Truist Financial Foundations Scholarship Contest: Contest typically opens in the Fall.

Search Engines

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.

CashCourse: Information that helps college students stay financially informed.

Chegg: A place to connect with scholarships and learn about colleges.

CFNC: College Foundation of North Carolina - has a great scholarship search for North Carolina colleges.

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

Going Merry: Get matched with scholarships for free.

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

Peerlift: Source for proven scholarships, internships, summer programs, and more gathered by fellow students like you.

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!)

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

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

STEAM related Scholarships

https://ozobot.com/20-steam-scholarships-teachers-can-recommend-to-their-students/

Scholarships for Juniors

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Coolidge Scholarship: Apply during Junior Year of high school. The Coolidge Scholarship is an annually awarded, full-ride, presidential scholarship that covers a student's tuition, room, board, and expenses for four years of undergraduate study. The Coolidge may be used by recipients at any accredited college or university in the United States.

Horatio Alger National Scholarship: Opens for high school JUNIORS on December 1st. The Horatio Alger National Scholarship Program is one of the major scholarship programs nationally that specifically assists high school students who have faced and overcome great obstacles in their young lives. The scholarships are funded by Horatio Alger Members who, like the Scholars, have experienced challenges but ultimately overcame them to become successful business and civic leaders.

Horatio Alger State Scholarship: Opens for high school JUNIORS on December 1st. State scholarships are awarded to eligible students in all fifty states and the District of Columbia. The program specifically assists high school students who have faced and overcome great obstacles in their young lives. The scholarships are funded by Horatio Alger Members who, like the Scholars, have experienced challenges but ultimately overcame them to become successful business and civic leaders.

Gap Year Programs/Scholarships/Study Abroad

Baret Scholars Global Gap Year: A global gap year program that brings together a cohort of 180 just-graduated high school students from around the world to journey across seven regions (North America, South America, Europe, Africa, Middle East, India/Southeast Asia, and China/East Asia), over 200 days, in a semi-structured and self-guided gap year experience. Full ride and merit based scholarships available.

EF Gap Year - Educational Tours: Our tours are curated by world travelers and subject matter experts who understand that compelling itineraries should be full of opportunities for experiential learning.

The Leap: Starting your gap year travel with us allows you to hit the ground running and everyone can relax knowing you're in safe hands. Through the Leap programme you have the chance to give something back, head off the backpacker trail, make friends for life, and develop many 'soft skills' that are coveted in the workplace and will definitely enhance your CV. Everyone on our Leap team programmes is between 18-22, meaning that you'll be surrounded by people just like you - perfect if you're looking to make friends to onward travel with after the programme.

Raleigh International: For 40 years, over 55,000 volunteers have transformed their lives on an adventure with purpose with Raleigh International. **Now, it's your turn**. On a Raleigh Expedition in South Africa or Costa Rica, join change-making projects which not only create a sustainable difference where it counts, but can spark a change in your life to set or reset the direction for your future.

Semester at Sea: A gap year where students earn 12 college credits while sailing the ocean and visiting 10+ countries. The ship, the MV *World Odyssey*, is the most unique floating college in the world, and it's where you will learn, live, travel, and reflect on your global study abroad experience.