

Please note, this is a live document and will be updated regularly with due dates & applications information as scholarships become available.

Free Scholarship Search Engine Websites

www.fastweb.com

www.scholarships.com

www.studentscholarships.org

<https://www.sallie.com/>

* = National Scholarships

College Board Opportunity Scholarships

- <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college/bigfuture-scholarships?navId=www-cbos>
- Drawings at various times throughout the year

Start Your Career List

- \$500 and \$40,000
- save a list with three or more careers

Build Your College list

- \$500
- build a college list with 6 or more colleges on our college planning site, BigFuture

Start Your Scholarship List

- \$500
- explore scholarships in College Board Scholarship Search

Strengthen Your College List

- \$500
- Sign into College Board and add to Big Future: 3 reach colleges, 2 match colleges, and 1 safety college

Complete the FAFSA

- \$500
- Complete the FAFSA and enter it into College Board

Apply to Colleges

- \$500
- Apply to at least 2 colleges and enter it into College Board

October

AES Engineering Scholarship

- Due: 10/8/26
- \$500
- Eligibility: awarded on the basis of character determined through the essay
- Requirements: Essay -- When you look back on your life in 30 years, what would it take for you to consider your life successful? What relationships or accomplishments will be important on this journey?
- Application: <https://www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.php>

Bousquet Holstein PLLC Annual High School Scholarship Photography Contest

- Due: 10/10/25
- \$200-500
- Eligibility: open to all high school students in Onondaga and Tompkins Counties
- Requirements: submit a photo under the theme, "Activated Communities: The Pulse of Our Spaces". Our public spaces are brought to life by the people who use them. When people interact with these areas, they redefine their purpose, turning the ordinary into something vibrant and unique. These spaces hold stories, movement, and connection. This year's theme explores how our public spaces are activated in unexpected ways and capture the pulse of the communities that bring them to life. Students are encouraged to capture these moments through photography, highlighting the interaction between people and the spaces they shape.
- Application: <https://www.bhlawpllc.com/about-the-firm/annual-high-school-photography-contest/>

Leonard Bus Sales "A Day in the Life of a School Bus"

- Due: 10/13/25
- \$1,000
- Art competition that is school bus related
- Application in Guidance

Best & Brightest Award

- Due: 10/14/25
- No money, just an award
- Eligibility: seniors with a 3.0 (85 GPA), excels at academics, make their mark in so many other ways outside the classroom, such as through community service, leadership, activism, art, music, athletics, and beyond
- Requirements: essay, letters of recommendation, extracurricular activities
- Application: <https://www.advancemediany.com/best-and-brightest/>

November

December

***The Hagan Scholarship**

- Due: 12/1/25
- \$2,000-\$7,500

- Requirements: Must have a 90 GPA, plan to enroll in a four year college/university, and household income reported for 2024 Federal Income Tax Purposes must not have exceeded \$100,000
- Application: <https://haganscholarships.org/>

Health Justice at Upstate Scholarship

January

***GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship Program**

- Due: 1/5/26
- Up to \$40,000
- Eligibility: Demonstrate at school, the workplace, and within the community the attributes of leadership, drive, integrity, citizenship and a minimum GPA of a 3.0 (85), Plan to enroll in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited 4-year college or university in the U.S. for the entire 2026-2027 academic school year.
- Requirements: essay, resume, community service, work experience,
- Application: <https://www.reaganfoundation.org/education/scholarship-programs/ge-reagan-foundation-scholarship-program/>

***College Board: Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship**

- Due: 1/7/26
- Up to \$35,000 over four years
- Eligibility: Present evidence of financial need, Demonstrate a record of academic excellence, Demonstrate leadership potential and a dedication to community service, Plan to attend an accredited and JRF approved 4-year college/university within the United States or affiliated with a United States based college or university, Have not accrued more than 25% of credits needed to graduate from college.
- Requirements: One recommendation, demographics, transcript, College plans, Activities and distinctions, Household information, CSS profile, Four essays
- Application: <https://www.jackierobinson.org/apply/>

Syracuse Fire Department FCU

- Due: 1/8/26
- \$1,500
- Eligibility: Must be a Syracuse Fire Department Federal Credit Union member
- Requirements: essay, list of activities, honors, community service
- Application: <https://www.syrfirecu.com/college-scholarships/>

Empower FCU

- Due: 1/9/26
- Eligibility: Must be an Empower credit union member
- Requirements: includes essay, transcript and verification from CU:
- Application: <https://www.empowerfcu.com/personal/tools-education/scholarships>

Sidney Federal Credit Union Scholarship

- Due: 1/9/26
- \$1,000

- Eligibility: SFCU member
- Requirements: online fillable application, transcript, essay, SFCU code
- Application: <https://sfcuonline.org/scholarships/>

***Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship**

- Due: 1/15/26
- Up to \$40,000 in scholarship money
- Eligibility: 2.3 (78 GPA), planning to attend a 4- or 2-year college and study engineering, computer science, or other related fields of study, need to have taken a computer science course in high school
- Requirements: letter of recommendation, transcript, 1040 tax form
- Application: <https://scholarshipamerica.org/amazonfutureengineer/>

Ryan M. Thompson Scholarship Application

The Medtronic Spark Scholarship

- Due: 1/30/26
- \$15,000 +
- Eligibility: students who demonstrate academic potential and leadership capabilities, who are pursuing associate's degrees, bachelor's degrees and/or job-ready credentials in health tech and healthcare related fields. It is available to students from low-income households across the globe who live in eligible locations.
- Application: <https://www.iiie.org/programs/medtronicsparkscholarship/scholarship/>

SECNY FCU

- Due: 1/31/26
- \$1,000
- Eligibility: Must be a SECNY FCU credit union member or family who is a member, must be attending a postsecondary program, exemplify the SECNY standards of service, education and community.
- Requirements: essay, transcript
- Application: <https://secny.org/scholarship-application/>

February

Cyber Service Academy Scholarship Program

Syracuse Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc.

- Due: 2/13/26
- \$ TBD
- Eligibility: Any Black/African American student, GPA of 85, Plans to attend 2 or 4 year college, Actively involved in community service
- Requirements: Transcript, 2 letters of recommendation, essay
- Application: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSePovcL-ORgM9RfQWENru9QRqEQ7ot5fpXpfdrp4ZkxPxHzJQ/viewform>

***Horatio Alger Association**

- Due: 2/15/26
- \$10,000 to \$25,000
- Eligibility: Exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a bachelor's degree at one of the target colleges/universities on our website, Demonstrate financial need (\$100,000 or lower household income), Be involved in co-curricular and community service activities, Display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity, (GPA) of 2.0 = 75
- Requirements: essay, transcript, income verification
- Application: <https://horatioalger.org/scholarships/>

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Scholarships

AMS First-Year Undergraduate Scholarships

- Due: 2/28/2026
- \$5,000
- Eligibility: 85 GPA, plans to pursue careers in atmospheric or related oceanic and hydrologic sciences
- Requirements: application, transcript, HS profile, one letter of recommendation
- [Application](#)

New York Water Environment Association (NYWEA) Scholarship

- Due: 2/28/26
- \$ see below
- Eligibility: see below
- Requirements: essays and two letters of recommendation
- Application: <https://nywea.org/scholarships/>
 - **Environmental Career Scholarship**
 - \$12,000 over 4 years
 - Enrolled in an environmental program
 - **Nicholas J. Bartilucci Environmental**
 - \$8,000 over 4 years
 - Enrolled in a public service program
 - **General NYWEA Scholarship**
 - \$4,000
 - Enrolled in a NYWEA student chapter at a college/university or be a child of a NYWEA member

March

Ned Carter Memorial Scholarship

- Due: 3/1/26
- \$1,500
- Eligibility: Applicant must be a firefighter, fire district employee or related to one, and pursuing a community service related career, plans to attend a 2 or 4 year institution
- Application available online: <https://www.afdsny.org/application.php>

District Attorney's Advisory Council Scholarship

- Due: 3/2/26

- \$500
- Eligibility: Interest in pursuing a degree in a criminal justice related field, GPA of 80%
- Requirements: essay describing goals after high school & why you deserve the scholarship
- Application: available in Guidance

Air & Waste Management Association

- Due: 3/6/26
- \$1,500
- Eligibility: For students interested in environmental related degrees (Environmental/civil/chemical engineering, hydrogeology, biology, environmental law/etc)
- Requirements: essay, transcript, and 2 letters of recommendation
- Application: <https://www.awma.org/scholarships> and/or available in guidance

CNY AMWA Joseph A. Juskiewicz Scholarship

- Due: 3/6/26
- \$1,500
- Eligibility: be an incoming college freshman in the Fall of 2026 (full-time), must be enrolled in an environmentally related degree program, must be residents of or going to college in the CNY region
- Requirements: application, essay, transcripts, 2 letters of recommendation
- Application: <https://www.awma-cny.org/scholarhips>

UDIG NY Jump Start Award

- Due: 3/6/26
- \$500
- Eligibility: pursuing careers in construction, excavation or related industries
- Requirements: essay
- Application: <https://udigny.org/jump-start-award-application/>

CNYCF Jessica Rikki Flegal Memorial Fund

- Due: 3/13/26
- \$1,200
- Eligibility: must be graduating from LaFayette Junior-Senior High School, a female, and has participated in the basketball program or cross country program. One scholarship can be awarded. It serves as a reminder of Jessica's youthful spirit and love of sports.
- Application: <https://cnycf.org/> → Scholarship Login → Create New Account

CNYCF Shannon Elizabeth Thomas Memorial Fund

- Due: 3/13/26
- \$1,500
- Eligibility: must be graduating from LaFayette Junior Senior High School, a cheerleader, planning to attend college/university, and who best exemplifies the qualities, values and character of Shannon. Cheerleading presented an opportunity for Shannon to share her enthusiasm for life with her friends. One scholarship can be awarded.
- Application: <https://cnycf.org/> → Scholarship Login → Create New Account

CNY STEM

- Due: 3/13/26

- Varying amounts below
- Eligibility: GPA of 85 or higher
- Requirements: list of extracurricular activities and honors
- Application: <https://cnystem.com/students-parents/cny-stem-scholars-program/>

- **SRC** = \$5,000/yr
 - *3 available* for computer science, computer/software engineering or electrical engineering
- **TTM** = \$2,000/yr
 - *2 available* for electrical or mechanical engineering
- **King + King** = \$2,000/yr
 - *1 available* for architecture
- **Inficon** = \$1,000/yr
 - *2 available* for chemical, electrical or mechanical engineering
- **Novelis** - \$2,000/yr
 - *2 available* for automation, process or electrical engineering
- **Marquardt** = \$2,000/yr
 - *1 available* for mechanical engineering
- **Cooper Lighting** = \$1,000/yr
 - *2 available* for electrical or mechanical engineering

Society of Women Engineers Scholarship

- Due: 3/14/26
- \$3,000
- Eligibility: For graduating high school women matriculating to undergraduate programs in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics fields
 - Program also includes Associate's degrees, non-traditional students, and professionals seeking continuing education for the purpose of re-entering the workforce
- Application: <https://greatersyracuse.swe.org/application/>

Zonta Young Women in Leadership Award

- Due: 3/15/26
- \$1,000-\$5,000
- Eligibility: Recognizing young women for their commitment to volunteerism, volunteer leadership achievements and dedication to empowering women worldwide. Commitment to volunteerism, Experience in local government, student government, or workplace leadership (paid or unpaid), Volunteer leadership achievements, Knowledge of Zonta International and its programs, Support for Zonta International's mission of building a better world for women and girls.
- Requirements: Statement of personal goals, short answer questions related to activities and involvement, essay, two letters of recommendation, enrollment verification into a postsecondary institution
- Application in Guidance

James Suriano & Wayne King Community Service Scholarship

- Due: 3/15/26
- \$5,000

- Eligibility: needs based community service scholarship for college bound student who is a member of SFCU
- Requirements: community service and volunteer involvement, essay, financial needs based
- Application: <https://sfcuonline.org/scholarships/>

Firemen's Association of the State of New York (FASNY)

Gerard J. Buckenmeyer Memorial FASNY Volunteer Scholarship

- Due: 3/15/26
- \$1,500
- Eligibility: Be a member in good standing with FASNY or have a parent/legal guardian who is a member; serve as a current Junior firefighter, Explorer Scout or RAM in a group affiliated with a volunteer department; a volunteer firefighter; or a volunteer with an EMS unit.
- Requirements: resume, two letters of recommendation, essay, acceptance letter to a postsecondary institution, list of extracurricular activities
- Application: www.fasny.com/scholarship

NYSSFA Mid-State Chapter Scholarship

- Due: 3/20/26
- \$2,000
- Eligibility: Interest in pursuing a degree or vocational program in a field related to Facility Management, building trade schools, and/or most engineering and architecture disciplines
- Requirements: resume, letters of recommendation, short essay, letter of professional intent
- Application: available in guidance

Junior League 100 Year Annual Scholarship

- Due: 3/20/26
- \$2,500
- Eligibility: woman/identifies as woman who is interested in furthering education/training skill development in: college, trade training, (electrician, cosmetology, web developer, dental hygienist, x-ray technician, etc). Skill development (art, fitness instruction, driving programs, new entrepreneurs)
- Requirements: several short answer paragraph questions
- Application: <https://syracuse.jl.org/community/100-year-anniversary-scholarship/>

Beginnings Credit Union Scholarships

- Due: 3/20/26
- Varying amount per scholarship
- Eligibility: be a Beginnings CU member
- Requirements: letters of recommendation and transcript
- Application: <https://www.beginnings.com/about-us/member-benefits/scholarships-awards>
- Richard V.V. Stringham Scholarships
 - \$3,000 for a student attending a 4 year college or university
 - \$1,500 for a student attending a 2 year college, trade or technical school
- Community Service Award
 - \$1,500 for students who participate in volunteer experience

- Walter Bazydlo Scholarship
 - \$1,000 for students enrolled at an accredited degree granting institution

Central New York Sales & Marketing Executives Scholarship Program

- Due: 3/31/26
- \$1,000
- Eligibility: graduating senior pursuing postsecondary education
- Requirements: extracurricular activities, reference letters, 500 word essay on how career goals relate to business, sales and marketing
- Application: <https://cnysme.org/scholarships/scholarship-app/#!form/ScholarshipApplication>

April

Syracuse Builders Exchange Program

- Due: April 2026
- \$2,000
- Eligibility: Must be a child of an SBE employee, applicants must also be High School seniors or graduates who plan to enroll, or students who are already enrolled, in a full-time course of study at an undergraduate College, University or Vocational Construction Program such as the "Trades & Technology" courses offered by BOCES or the CDL Driver Training Courses offered by National Tractor Trailer Schools in the United States.
- Requirements: Essay, references required, resume, transcript, extracurricular activities
- Application: <https://www.syrabex.com/scholarship-fund.html>

The Institutes CPCU Society Scholarship

- Due: 4/1/26
- \$1,000
- Eligibility: Open to all senior high school students planning to attend college in the fall of 2026 as a full-time student and be enrolled in a Risk Management and Insurance Program in Central New York as full-time student for the fall of 2026 term
- Requirements: short answer/essay questions
- Application: <https://syracuse.cpcusocietychapter.org/Documents>

New York Farm Bureau Agricultural Youth Scholarship Information

- Due: 4/1/26
- \$2,000 and \$3,000
- Eligibility:
 - Students who will continue their education in agricultural industry
 - Live or work on a farm or be involved with agriculture via any avenue
 - Family Farm Bureau membership or Student Farm Bureau membership is required & may accompany application
- Requirements: Essay, 2 letters of recommendation and list of activities
- Application: <https://www.nyfb.org/programs/promotion-education/scholarship>

Empire State Potato Growers Inc.

NYSIR

- Due: 4/2/26
- \$3,000-\$5,000
- Eligibility: see below
- Requirements: essay
- Application: <https://www.nysir.org/page/2026-scholarship-application>
 - *Bambino Scholarship*:
 - available to a college or technical school-bound special education student with an active IEP or 504 plan from a NYSIR-member school district to reward him or her for working through special challenges to complete high school and obtain acceptance to a college or university
 - *Jensen Scholarship*:
 - awarded to a student who has excelled in design and who wishes to pursue this path in college
 - *Goncalves Scholarship*: awarded to a student who demonstrates involvement and work for a cause or organization that promotes social justice, equal opportunity, relief of human suffering, or other aspiration generally understood to be within the meaning of humanitarian activity throughout their high school career

Syracuse Zonta Foundation

- Due: 4/15/26
- See below for amount & eligibility
- Requirements: an essay that outlines which scholarship you are applying for and why, one letter of recommendation from a non-family member, a list of schools to which you have applied and copies of any letters of acceptance that you have received, and your current transcript
- Applications available in Guidance
 - **Edna B. Davis Music Scholarship**
 - \$2,000
 - For young women pursuing music education, professional performance, or other related degree
 - Recommendation from a music teacher or choral director is needed
 - **Ursula Pettengill Scholarship**
 - \$1,500
 - For young women who are pursuing either dietetics, nutrition, health science, or a related degree
 - **Amelia Earhart Scholarship**
 - \$1,000
 - For graduating high school senior girls with a GPA of 3.2 or higher
 - Applicant must have been accepted into a two- or four-year academic college and have a proposed major in one of the sciences, engineering, aeronautics, or mathematics
 - Consideration is given to financial need
 - **Jean M. Coon Humanitarian Award**
 - \$1,250
 - It is not academically based, but rewards high school youth who care, give back to others and serve their schools and communities/volunteerism
 - **Zonta Young Women in Leadership Award**
 - \$500

- Merit-based scholarship that recognizes young women for their commitment to volunteerism and leadership in public service

New York Insurance Scholarship Foundation

- Due: 4/15/26
- \$5,000 annual scholarship for two years = \$10,000 total
- Eligibility:
 - a person matriculated in an accredited college or university that is authorized to confer degrees as a candidate for a bachelor or graduate degree
 - Scholastic standing of a 3.0 or higher GPA
 - Desire to work in the Insurance industry
 - Community involvement/volunteer work
 - Not receiving or eligible for full reimbursement for the expenses of tuition, board, books, etc.
- Requirements: 500-word essay, one letter of reference, copy of official transcript
- Application: <https://nyisf.nyia.org/>

Epilepsy Alliance WCNY Scholarship

- Due: 4/30/26
- \$1500
- Eligibility: Students must be a resident or attend a college or university in Western, Finger Lakes, Central, and the Southern Tier regions of NYS. Applicants must demonstrate excellence in academics, extra-curricular or civic service activities, and most importantly, an ability to overcome obstacles and persevere in pursuit of their dreams. For college-bound and enrolled college students who have epilepsy or a seizure disorder
- Requirements: essay, letters of recommendation, list of activities/awards, physician release form
- Application: <https://www.epiny.org/epilepsy/scholarship/>

May

LaFayette Teachers Association

Matt Nastasi Memorial Scholarship

The Spencer Paul Dix Award

LaFayette National Junior Honor Society Senior Scholarship

LaFayette Community Council Scholarship

NYSACAC Scholarship

- Due: 5/15/26
- \$500-\$1,000
- Eligibility: Be nominated by a NYSACAC member
- Requirements: essay, proof of enrollment/acceptance at a postsecondary institution

- Application: <https://www.nysacac.org/nysacac-scholarship>

Onondaga County Farm Bureau

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Scholarship

LaFayette Athletic Booster Club Award

June

NYS AHPERD Central North Zone Scholarship

***Abbott & Fenner Scholarship**

***BigSun Scholarship**

July Deadlines

NDNY-FCBA US Constitutional Scholars Program