



Senior Newsletter  
Martin County High School  
April, 2025



Graduation is fast approaching. Make sure you are meeting all your deadlines. Most colleges/universities require an enrollment deposit by May 1. Finalize your financial aid and determine if you need loans. Sign up for an orientation date at your chosen college/university. August will be here before you know it.

### **Scholarships**

If you need help with scholarship applications, please let us know. Local scholarship applications have started becoming available.

### **Approaching Deadlines**

North Carolina Sheriffs Association Undergraduate Criminal Justice Scholarship -

### **Rolling**

The First Christian Church Scholarships -

**April 1, 2025**

ClearWater Solutions Scholarship -

**April 1, 2025**

Cancer Fighter Scholarship -

**April 1, 2025**

Trey Kuhm Memorial Scholarship -

**April 1, 2025**

L. Bruce Wynne Scholarship -

**April 4, 2025**

Mary R. Peele Educational Scholarship Application -

**April 7, 2025**

SEANC Scholarship Program -

**April 15, 2025**

Smiling Faces Child Care Scholarship -

**April 15, 2025**

Cherry Bomb Scholarship -

**April 19, 2025**

Leaders of Tomorrow Scholarship -

**April 30, 2025**

2025 Ozzie Murphy, Sr. Educational Scholarship -

**April 30, 2025**

2025 Legrand/Powell Educational Scholarship -

**April 30, 2025**

Past Potentate Ellsworth Wilson's Educational Scholarship -

**May 2, 2025**

The Abbott and Fenner Scholarships -

**June 10, 2025**

E.J. Morine Consistory No. 13 and E.J.

Morine Assembly No. 13 Higher Education Scholarship -

**June 30, 2025**

## New Scholarships

1. SkillsUSA students can apply and take advantage of SkillsUSA scholarships including travel grants to conferences. You can review eligibility criteria, scholarship amounts, and applications at:

<https://www.skillsusa.org/recognition/scholarships-and-grants/>

**Deadline: April, May, and June deadlines**

2. The Willie Bradshaw Scholarship - This scholarship supports minority senior student-athletes at NCHSAA member schools who demonstrate leadership, community involvement, and financial need. There will be up to 16 regional awards of \$750 each and 2 state awards of \$1,000 each.  **Application Link: [Apply Here](#)**  
**Deadline: April 4,**

3. The Farm Life Ruritan Scholarship - This scholarship was established in 1999. Scholarships will be in the amount of \$600. A portion of these funds may come from the Ruritan National Foundation and may require additional information. All Martin County High School graduating seniors are eligible

for this scholarship, although it should be noted that special consideration will be given to those with ties to our geographic area or ties to Ruritans. Applications will only be accepted by mail, and they must be postmarked by April 12, 2025. An impartial committee will choose the recipients of these scholarships and final selection will be announced May 20, 2025. Applications are available in Guidance.

**Deadline: April 12, 2025**

4. Farm Life Ruritanette Club Scholarship - This is a \$500 scholarship that has been established by the Farm Life Ruritanette Club. To be eligible to apply for this scholarship, the applicant must be a graduating senior at a high school in Martin County or a graduating senior residing in Martin County but attending high school outside the county (Special consideration may be given to applicants with ties to the Farm Life Ruritanettes and our geographic region), acceptance to an accredited university, college, or community college (two- or four-year degree), willingness to participate in an interview

with the Farm Life Ruritanette Scholarship Committee if invited to do so, and must have exhibited excellence in character, integrity, and service to others. Applications are available in Guidance.

**Deadline: April 15, 2025**

5. The Muriel and Paul Pulver Scholarship - This scholarship was established in 2005 by the family of Muriel and Paul Pulver. Paul Pulver owned and operated June Day Manufacturing Company, Crest Apparel and BeaMa Manufacturing Companies from 1959 until 1993 when he retired. Paul and Muriel Pulver considered Williamston their “second home” and were proud to have been instrumental in the development, training, education, and financial stability that these businesses provided to the employees and to Williamston itself. Both Muriel and Paul Pulver believed in the importance of education and in giving people the opportunity to learn and to better themselves so they can, in turn, reach out and help others. The family wants to continue to provide educational opportunities to

graduating, college-bound students who have a parent or a grandparent that was a part of the workforce that became the Pulvers’ extended family.

**Applicants of this scholarship must be descendants of former employees of June Day Manufacturing, Crest Manufacturing, and/or BeaMa Manufacturing Companies.**

Applications are available in Guidance.

**Deadline: April 15, 2025**

6. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Scholarship - The Washington-Plymouth Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. serving Beaufort, Martin, and Washington counties will award three (3) \$600 scholarships this year. The sorority is pleased to offer these scholarships in support of local students in their pursuit of higher education. The following eligibility requirements will be considered:
  - Completed application packet
  - Scholastic achievement: GPA (minimum 2.5 weighted), SAT and/or ACT if available, Class rank, Course of studies

- Community service, Extracurricular activities, and Leadership
- Essay
- Three (3) letters of recommendation: two from school personnel, one personal

The top three (3) applicants from each county will be contacted for an interview. The Scholarship Committee will notify recipients of its decision. The application should be emailed to :

[wpaceducationscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:wpaceducationscholarship@gmail.com).

**Deadline: April 17, 2025**

7. Jack Butler Scholarship - Scholarships in memory of former Williamston High School Band Director, Jack Butler, will be awarded to deserving Martin County high school graduates at the end of the 2024-25 school year. The candidates must meet the following requirements:
  1. Candidates must be graduating from a Martin County high school with a GPA of 2.5 or higher.
  2. Candidates must be planning to enroll in an institute of higher learning before or during the 2025 fall semester, and to be pursuing a

degree in either music or the field of education.

3. Candidates must be of good character.

4. Candidates' need for financial assistance should be considered in your recommendation.

5. The scholarship will be awarded at the end of the 2024-2025 school year.

Candidates should send a brief letter to the committee explaining how this scholarship will benefit them in their pursuit of higher education. A transcript should also be submitted to the committee which will verify the GPA. The committee must receive the letters and transcripts no later than April 18th.

**Deadline: Before April 18, 2025**

8. The Churchill Briley THINK! Memorial Scholarship - This scholarship in memory of Walter Churchill Briley, a former science teacher and coach at Williamston High School, will be awarded to (2) graduating seniors from Martin County High School who will be pursuing a college degree in Education or Basic Sciences. The value of the scholarship is \$1,500, and the scholarship is

administered by the Community Foundation of NC East. The following criteria must be met to be eligible for this scholarship:

1. Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0
2. Provide a copy of official transcript
3. Submit a short essay with a prompt of: "Why is a college education important to me"
4. Submit two letters of recommendation (one of the two letters must be from a school advisor or teacher)
5. Submit a completed application
6. Application and supporting materials must be emailed by April 25, 2025 to the following:

[charlene@cfnceast.org](mailto:charlene@cfnceast.org)

Here is the link to the application: [2025 Churchill Briley Scholarship Application.docx - Google Docs](#)

**Deadline: April 25, 2025**

9. W. C. Chance / East End Alumni Scholarship - This scholarship is sponsored by the W. C. Chance / East End Alumni Martin County Community Hub. The scholarship has the following requirements: Fill out the application completely and answer all questions, Complete a 500 or more word essay

explaining why you would be a good candidate for this scholarship, Provide two reference letters (community, clergy, school, etc.), Turn in your official transcript (must be sealed), The complete list of requirements will be necessary in order to be considered, Have a GPA of 2.5 or above is required, Turn in all required information on or before April 25, 2025 by 6:00 PM. Mail to: Sandra McCleary  
ATTN: Scholarship Chair  
W. C. Chance East End Alumni  
PO Box 712  
Robersonville, NC 27871  
Applications are available in Guidance.

**Deadline: April 25, 2025**

10. The Gloria Williams Jones Memorial Scholarship - The Gloria Williams Jones Memorial Scholarship was established in 2024. She taught Home Economics in several Martin County high schools. Gloria Williams Jones believed that education should be a priority and continuous learning was essential. Two Martin County High School seniors who possess a strong desire to have a greater impact with an Education Degree and who will enroll in an Education program

at a university or community college in the fall of 2025 will be selected to receive a \$500 scholarship each. The recipient must have a financial need and a GPA of at least 2.5 One \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a Martin County High School senior who will be enrolling in an Education Program at a University, and one \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a Martin County High School senior who will be enrolling in an Education Program at a Community College. An essay, two letters of recommendation, an official transcript (must be sealed), and the completed application should be mailed to :

Sandra McCleary  
ATTN. Scholarship Chair  
W. C. Chance East End Alumni  
PO Box 712  
Robersonville, NC 27871

**Deadline: April 25, 2025 by 6:00 PM**

11. 2025-2026 Thurgood Marshall College Fund Scholarship - The first wave of our 2025-2026 scholarship cycle is now open. TMCF's mission is to ensure student success by promoting educational excellence and preparing the next generation of workforce talent through

leadership development, and what better way to ensure student success than by alleviating the worries of financial stress! This year, it is even easier to apply for TMCF Scholarships. All TMCF scholarships are now accessible in a single platform - [Open Scholarships | Thurgood Marshall College Fund](#). TMCF has updated our application process to feature two waves of scholarships.

**Deadline: Wave I closes April 25, 2025**

**Wave II closes December 1, 2025**

12. The Martin Community Players Memorial Scholarship - The Martin Community Players is a non-profit organization that produces stage plays each year for the citizens of Martin and surrounding northeastern North Carolina counties. The Martin Community Players have built a memorial fund to memorialize the loss of many members. This fund will enable the Martin Community Players to award a one-time \$500 award to a student in Martin County. The recipient must meet the following requirements: Must be pursuing a degrees in fine arts

OR have had involvement in at least one Martin Community Players production, Mail in a completed application, Mail in an educational resume, Mail in one essay of intent, Mail in one letter of recommendation - excluding family members, Send in a copy of college acceptance or enrollment, and Send in a copy of high school transcript. Applications are available in Guidance.

**Deadline: April 30, 2025**

13. Dr. Clifton Lemar Peele Memorial Scholarship - This scholarship was created in memory and in honor of Dr. Clifton Lemar Peele by his mother. Dr. Peele was a graduate of Williamston High school, East Carolina University, Des Moines University, and Howard University. The purpose of this scholarship is to identify (2) Martin County High School seniors who possess a strong desire to have a greater impact with a healthcare degree in any health care occupation. The high school senior must possess a strong desire for academic excellence; and must enroll in a health care program at a university or community college in the fall semester. One scholarship of

\$1,000 will be awarded to a Martin County High School senior who will be enrolling in a health care program at a university. One scholarship of \$500 will be awarded to a Martin County High School senior who will be enrolling in a health care program at a community college.

Applications are available in Guidance. Scholarship applications are only accepted through postal mail.

Incomplete and/or late applications may not be considered.

**Deadline: April 30, 2025**

14. 2025 Williamston Rotary Club Scholarships - The Williamston Rotary Club will offer 5 scholarships this year to seniors who are residents of Martin County. Four (4) Williamston Rotary Club Scholarships of \$500 each and one (1) Penny Cowan Service Above Self Scholarship of \$1,000 will be awarded. Applicants must submit the following information: 1. The application form 2. A personal letter as to why the student desires to continue their education, the student's future plans, and how they have committed specifically to

service in the Martin County area 3. Letter of recommendation from either the school principal, school guidance counselor, or a school teacher (These do not have to be sealed) 4. Letter of recommendation from a business or professional person OTHER THAN SCHOOL PERSONNEL (These do not have to be sealed) 5. High school transcript with grades through the second semester of junior year, class rank with number of students in class, and grade point average weighted and unweighted

All of this must be submitted to Anna Uzzell. If possible, documents should be scanned to Anna Uzzell as one PDF.

Email:

[auzzell@martin.k12.nc.us](mailto:auzzell@martin.k12.nc.us)

Cell Number: 910-263-5398

Applications are available in Guidance.

**Deadline: April 30, 2025**

15. CRMCA Scholarship Program - The Carolinas Ready Mixed Concrete Association is committed to supporting the future of the construction industry. The CRMCA Scholarship Program is designed to support students from North and South Carolina

who are pursuing careers in construction-related fields. This scholarship is open to any student residing in North or South Carolina that is pursuing a career in the construction industry. This includes those attending a Trade school, Technical Program, or University. A General Scholarship is also available to students with an immediate family member that is employed by a CRMCA Member Company. The application is completed using our [online form](#). Two letters of recommendation are required to apply. This scholarship is a one-time award, but there is the option to reapply each year. Multiple scholarships are awarded each year, and range from \$500 - \$1,000 per recipient.

**Deadline: April 30, 2025**

16. Ricky Gilliam Scholarship - This scholarship is in memory of Ricky Gilliam who was passionate about his many trades. Each year the Ricky Gilliam Scholarship Foundation raises money to award scholarships to students going to trade schools. Ricky was very dedicated to his hometown and community,

and this is our way of honoring him and of giving back. To apply online, go to:  
<https://www.cognitofrms.com/RickyGilliamScholarshipFoundation/RickyGilliamScholarshipFoundationApplication>.

**Deadline: May 8, 2025**

17. AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary 227 Scholarship - The AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Post 227 proudly offers a \$250 scholarship to a graduating high school senior who demonstrates academic excellence, leadership, and a commitment to community service. The scholarship is intended to assist students in pursuing their educational goals and higher learning ambitions. To be eligible for this scholarship you: Must be a high school senior graduating from Martin County High School in the spring of 2025, Must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, Must demonstrate involvement in community service or extracurricular activities, Must be accepted into a college, university, or vocational program for Fall 2025. The following materials are required: Completed application form, Official high

school transcript, Two letters of recommendation (one from a teacher and one from a community member), a typed 500-word personal essay answering the following prompt - *"How has your involvement in community service impacted your life and how do you plan to continue serving your community?"*

Completed applications and required materials must be received before May 12, 2025. Please submit via email to [ladiesaux227@gmail.com](mailto:ladiesaux227@gmail.com) or by mail to Ladie

18. West Martin Alumni Association Scholarship - The founders of West Martin School desired to meet the needs of their children's education and encouraged them to obtain their diplomas. The Alumni's goal is to support Martin County students to further their education by offering scholarships to graduates. Applications are available in Guidance.

**Deadline: May 15, 2025**

19. Cameron Price Impact Scholarship presented by Williamston Youth Baseball - To apply for this scholarship, applicants must have played in Williamston Youth Baseball,

must be a Martin County High School senior with a minimum 2.5 GPA and eligible for graduation in June, 2025.

Applications are available in Guidance. Completed applications should be mailed

to - Cameron Price Impact Scholarship

Attn: Jessica Brown

2303 Fire Department Road

Williamston, NC 27892

**Deadline: May 23, 2025**

**US News and World Report suggests planning for college expenses other than tuition and housing. These ten things should be factored in your budget:**

1. Technology and electronics
2. Student club memberships
3. Studying abroad
4. Transportation
5. Traveling home
6. Books and supplies
7. Dining out
8. Internships
9. Possible Wi-Fi and other online learning experiences
10. Emergencies

**According to the 2023 US Bureau of Labor Statistics, this is how education pays.**

Educational Attainment/Median usual weekly earnings

Doctoral degree - \$2,109

Professional degree - \$2,206

Master's degree - \$1,737

Bachelor's degree - \$1,493

Associate's degree - \$1,058

Some college, no degree - \$992

High school diploma - \$899

Less than a high school diploma - \$708

**2024-25 SAT Test Dates**

**May 3                      Send by April 18**

**June 7                     Send by May 22**

**2024-25 ACT Test Dates**

**April 5                    Send by Feb. 28**

**June 14                  Send by May 9**

**July 12                    Send by June 6**

**Acceptance Alert**

**Seniors, please let us know when you have been accepted so your mortarboard can be added to the bulletin board.**

**Scholarship Alert**

**Seniors, please let us know when you receive scholarships.**

**Award Letter Alert**

**Seniors, please bring your Award Letter to Guidance so we can see your scholarship totals.**

## **April Athletic Dates**

### **Baseball**

April 1 - Bertie (H) 6:00  
April 4 - Bertie (A) 6:00  
April 5 - Grace Christian (A) 1:00  
April 8 - Perquimans (A) 6:00  
April 11 - Perquimans (H) 6:00  
April 15 - Tarboro (H) 6:00  
April 17 - Tarboro (A) 6:00  
April 21 - Easter Tournament TBD  
April 22 - Easter Tournament TBD  
April 23 - Easter Tournament TBD  
April 29 - Conference Tournament TBD

### **Golf**

April 2 - Tarboro (A) 12:00  
April 9 - Conference Match (H) 12:00  
April 10 - Edenton (A) 2:00  
April 14 - Bear Grass (H) 1:00  
April 16 - Conference Tournament (H) 12:00  
April 28 - Bear Grass (H) 1:00

### **Softball**

April 1 - Bertie (H) 6:00  
April 2 - Louisburg (H) 5:00  
April 4 - Bertie (A) 6:00  
April 8 - Perquimans (A) 6:00  
April 9 - TEACH (H) 6:00  
April 11 - Perquimans (H) 6:00  
April 16 - Hobgood (A) 5:00  
April 17 - Tarboro (Double Header) (A) 6:00  
April 18 - Oxford Prep (H) 5:00  
EASTER BREAK (Practice April 24-25)  
April 28 - Rocky Mount Academy (H) 6:00  
April 29 - Conference Tournament (TBD)

### **Tennis**

April 1 - North Lenoir (A) 4:00  
April 2 - Northeastern (A) 4:30  
April 8 - Nash Central (H) 4:00  
April 10 - Edenton (A) 4:00  
April 15 - Nash Central (A) 4:00  
April 28 - Round 1 Playoffs  
April 30 - Round 2 Playoffs

## **Track**

April 2 - Bertie/Tarboro (A) 4:00  
April 9 - PQ/Tarboro (A) 4:00  
April 29 or 30 - Conference Championship  
Perquimans (A) 4:00



# **Go Gators!**

## **Important Dates**

### **Class of 2025**

**April 5 - Junior/Senior Prom -  
Roanoke Country Club 7:30 PM**

**April 10 - Cap & Gown Pictures**

**May 7 - Scholarship/Award**

**Submissions Due - By end of school  
day**

**May 9 - Decision Day Celebration -  
Martin County High School**

**May 16 - MCC Graduation Ceremony  
Auditorium 6:30 PM**

**May 21 - Senior Meeting -  
Auditorium 9:00 AM**

**May 22 - Senior Awards Day  
(Mandatory) - Auditorium 9:00 AM**

**June 1 - MCHS Baccalaureate Service  
Auditorium 4:00 PM**

**June 2-6 - Exams**

**June 5 - Last day to pay indebtedness  
By 12:30 PM to Ms. Hoggard**

**June 5 - Graduation Practice - MCHS  
Football Field 4:00 PM**

**June 6 - Class of 2025 Graduation  
Ceremony - MCHS Football Field 6:30  
PM**

**June 16 - Senior Envelope Pick-Up -  
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM**



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