

OCTOBER 2015

SCHOLARSHIP

NEWSLETTER



FIRST CHOICE FOUR YEAR COLLEGE APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE DONE BY MID-OCTOBER.
DO NOT WAIT TO APPLY! SEE YOUR COUNSELOR OR MISS GRANT WITH QUESTIONS!

2015-2016 test dates

SAT		ACT	
<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Register by</u>	<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Register by</u>
October 3	CLOSED	October 24	October 2
November 7	October 9	December 12	November 6
December 5	November 5	February 6	January 8
January 23	December 28	April 9	March 4
March 5	February 5	June 11	May 6
May 7	April 8		
June 4	May 5		

Students who receive free or reduced lunch may receive fee waivers to take each test two (2) times free of charge. These waivers also make you eligible for college application fee waivers. See your counselor for more information.

To sign up for the SAT: www.collegeboard.com / To sign up for the ACT: www.actstudent.org

*Remember to bring Ms. Bimson your acceptance letters and scholarship notifications as you receive them!
 YES, we want copies of them even if you aren't going to go there or accept that scholarship.*



means that this is a **NEW** scholarship listing for this month

Washington University (St. Louis) Danforth Scholars Award

Amount: full or partial tuition to Washington University

Criteria: Outstanding academic performance, commitment to community service, high moral character, leadership, and any other achievement that may set a student apart. The program is based on merit but they do consider need when awarding scholarship amounts.

To apply: If you are interested in being nominated for this award, submit a list of your academic and extracurricular achievements to Ms. Bimson.

Deadline: Let Ms. Bimson know you are interested in nomination by **October 1, 2015.**

Wendy's High School Heisman Award

Amount: Recognition at the high school level. High School winners have a chance to move on to regional and state level, where monetary awards will be given.

Criteria: Two winners from each high school will be chosen! High school senior athletes with a 3.0 or higher GPA and strong leadership records can apply. Applicants should be leaders in the community and a role model to younger athletes.

To apply: Get more information and apply online at www.wendysheisman.com

Deadline: October 2, 2015

AES Engineering Consultants Scholarship

Amount: \$500

Criteria: High School seniors; awarded on basis of character, not GPA! You do *not* have to be taking engineering classes to be eligible.

To apply: Submit an essay of between 500-1000 words to scholarships@aesengineers.com answering the following question: *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?* Include your full name, the name of your high school, and your plans for next year.

Deadline: October 7, 2015

UNC Charlotte Levine Scholars Program

Amount: \$105,000 – full tuition, room and board and summer experiences for 4 years

Criteria: Students should show a commitment to community service and have high levels of academic achievement. Many applicants will have 3.8 – 4.0 unweighted GPAs, SAT scores between 1900-2400, and ACT scores between 29-36.

To apply: See Ms. Bimson in the Counseling Office if you would like to be nominated (There is no limit to the number of students I can nominate – I will need your SAT and/or ACT scores and email address).

Deadline: October 11, 2015

The Thomas Wolfe Scholarship

Amount: Full tuition & expenses for four years at UNC Chapel Hill

Criteria: This is a unique scholarship opportunity for strong writers – you are required to submit multiple examples of your writing. Students who write poetry, fiction, plays, or nonfiction are eligible. Students who apply for this award must submit their separate application for early admission to UNC Chapel Hill. Then, they must apply for the Thomas Wolfe Scholarship by November 15.

To apply: For more information about this scholarship and to apply, visit <http://english.unc.edu/creative/tws>

Deadline: October 15, 2015

Carolina Covenant Scholarship:

Amount: Varies, can cover up to full tuition for four years

Criteria: Applicants must apply and be accepted to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and demonstrate substantial financial need.

To apply: Apply for UNC-Chapel Hill at <http://admissions.unc.edu/apply/> and apply for financial aid in January with the FAFSA.

Deadline: Apply by **October 15** for an earlier admissions decision, or by January 15 at the latest.

NFAA Young Arts Scholarships

Amount: range from \$250 to \$10,000

Criteria: These awards recognize artistic excellence in all forms: cinema, dance, music, photography, theatre, voice, visual arts and writing. You will be asked to submit a portfolio along with your applications. Winners will be invited to summits in New York, Miami, or Washington D.C. to take master classes with professional artists in their discipline. You may be required to submit a portfolio or audition tape in order to apply.

To apply: apply online at <http://www.youngarts.org/apply>

Deadline: October 16, 2015

Davidson College Belk Scholarship

Amount: Approximately \$55,000 annually; this scholarship covers the full cost of attending Davidson College (including tuition, room & board, and fees).

Criteria: "A candidate's record and recommendations must show demonstrated purposeful engagement in the classroom, with student and civic organizations, on the athletic field or in the arts. While academic achievement is paramount, Belk Scholars also exhibit intellectual curiosity and a commitment to both their local and global communities."

To apply: FHHS can nominate up to two Belk Scholarship candidates. If you would like to be considered by the scholarship committee, submit a resume and/or short statement to Ms. Bimson by October 24. For more information, check out the website: <http://www.davidson.edu/admission-and-financial-aid/john-belk-scholarship/nomination-and-selection-process>.

Deadline: October 24, 2015

Horatio Alger North Carolina Scholarship

Amount: Multiple scholarships awarded, ranging from **\$5,000 to \$20,000**

Criteria: This scholarship provides financial assistance to student with financial need who have exhibited integrity and perseverance in overcoming personal adversity. Seniors applicants should be United States citizens, be planning to go to earn a bachelor's degree (four year college), have a minimum 2.0 GPA, demonstrate critical financial need (\$55,000 or lower adjusted gross family income is required), and be involved in extracurricular activities.

To apply: apply online at <https://www.horatioalger.org/scholarships/> **Please note that there are several parts to this application, including a school certification form and a copy of your parents' tax return. Be aware of the deadline! To apply, use the online application: <http://application.horatioalger.org/>.

Deadline: October 25, 2015



Golden Door Scholarship

Amount: Recipients receive funding to cover tuition, room and board for a four-year degree.

Criteria: Students eligible for **DACA (Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals)** may apply for this scholarship. Applicants' academic performance and rigor as well as personal and professional goals will be considered.

To apply: For more information and to apply, visit: <http://www.goldendoorscholars.org/apply-now.html>

Deadline: October 27, 2015

NC State Centennial Scholarship

Amount: \$47,500 over 4 years

Criteria: Students should have demonstrated high academic achievement throughout high school with proven and potential leadership qualities, extracurricular activities and unique life experiences. Students applying for this scholarship should be planning on majoring in one of the degrees in the College of Textiles at NC State – fashion and textile management, fashions and textile design, information systems design, product engineering, chemical processing, or textile technology.

To apply: FHHS can endorse up to 2 students for this scholarship. If you would like to be considered, submit a resume and/or short statement to Ms. Bimson. If you are not chosen for a school endorsement, you can also self-nominate– see Ms. Bimson for details.

Deadline: October 30, 2015



Univision 40' Nuestra Juventad

Amount: Recognition of academic achievements and leadership qualities among Hispanic High School Seniors.

Criteria: Candidates must be 12th graders applying to a college/university in the Fall of 2015 and must be of Hispanic descent. The winners will be chosen based on Leadership, Academic Achievement, Hardship and Character.

To apply: For more information and to apply: <http://thencshp.org/programs/nc-hispanic-college-fund/univision-40-nuestra-juventud-scholarship/>

Deadline: October 30, 2015

Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation

Amount: varies – multiple scholarships up to \$20,000 will be given out nationwide

Criteria: The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation evaluates applicants on the basis of demonstrated leadership in academics, school, community and civic activities, as well as personal character and the motivation to serve and succeed. Applicants should have a 3.0 or high GPA and be planning to attend college next fall.

To apply: For more information and to apply: <https://www.coca-colascholars.org>

Deadline: October 31, 2015



WACE National Co-op Scholarship Program

Amount: \$6,000 per year at applicable colleges and universities

Criteria: These scholarships are available to high school seniors who plan to participate in college cooperative education at one of the partner institutions: Clarkson University, SUNY Oswego, Drexel University, University of Cincinnati, Johnson and Wales, University of Mass at Lowell, Rochester Institute of Technology, University of Toledo, Wentworth Institute of Technology or Merrimack College. Applicants must have a min. 3.5 GPA, be accepted to one of the institutions listed above, and complete an essay.

To apply: <http://waceinc.org/scholarship/index.html>

Deadline: Varies based on college but begins November 1,

2015-February 2016. Early applications are encouraged.

Ron Brown Scholar Program

Amount: \$10,000 renewable for four years

Criteria: The Ron Brown Scholar Program seeks to identify African-American high school seniors who will make significant contributions to society. Applicants must excel academically, exhibit exceptional leadership potential, participate in community service activities and demonstrate financial need.

To apply: For more information, and to apply, visit www.ronbrown.org

Deadline: November 1, 2015



NCWIT Award for Aspirations in Computing

Amount: \$500 and a new laptop computer

Criteria: High school females who have demonstrated outstanding aptitude and interest in IT/computing, and who demonstrate leadership ability.

To apply: www.aspirationsaward.org

Deadline: November 2, 2014

Prudential Spirit of Community Award

Amount: High school recognition and chance to enter a state level competition for \$1,000

Criteria: High school students who have completed significant amounts of volunteer work in the community

To apply: Fill out online application at <http://spirit.prudential.com> or www.nassp.org/spirit. Your completed form needs to be submitted to Ms. Bimson. The principal, with input from the scholarship committee, will certify one FHHS applicant to progress in the scholarship competition.

Deadline: November 3, 2015 (Please let Ms. Bimson know when you complete your application!)



The Jack Kent Cook College Scholarship Program

Amount: up to \$40,000 a year to any accredited 4 year university

Criteria: Applicants should have an unweighted GPA of 3.5, exemplary standardized test scores (SAT reading/math: 1200+, ACT composite 26+), plan to enroll full time in an accredited 4 year institution in fall 2014, and demonstrate unmet financial need (families with an income of up to \$95,000), persistence, desire to help others and leadership.

To apply: www.jkcf.org/scholarships

Deadline: November 4, 2014

AXA Achievement Scholarship

Amount: Each state will have one \$10,000 winner.

Criteria: Any high school senior planning on attending two or four year college next year. Applicants should demonstrate ambition and self-drive as evidenced by outstanding achievement in school, community or work-related activities.

To apply: for more information and to apply, visit <http://www.axa-scholarship.com/>

Deadline: To be announced later in September 2015, please see the website for specific date (apply early – applications will be cut off after 10,000 are received)



ECU Scholars

Amount: substantial scholarship of \$45,000 to East Carolina University

Criteria: anyone who applies to ECU by November 15 and meets the following criteria will automatically be considered for EC Honors College and the accompanying scholarships: Minimum math/verbal SAT combined score of 1200 OR ACT composite score of 27, and a unweighted GPA of 3.5 OR weighted GPA of 4.0

To apply: Complete your ECU application by November 15



North Carolina Division of Veterans Affairs Scholarship

Amount: Varies

Criteria: The student must be a natural or adopted child of a veteran, who was born in N.C. and has been a continuous resident of N.C. since birth. The veteran's qualifying criteria must have occurred during a period of war (with some specific exceptions). For information contact your local Veterans Service Office or call 844-NC4VETS or log on to www.NC4VETS.com

To apply: visit <http://www.nc4vets.com/education> and click on Scholarships for more information

Deadline: December 1, 2015



NFIB Young Entrepreneur Award

Amount: ranges from \$1,000 to \$15,000

Criteria: NFIB Young Entrepreneur Awards are open to any graduating high school senior who owns and operates his/her own small business. Additionally, the student must enter his/her freshman year at an accredited two- or four-year university, college or vocational/technical institute in Fall 2016.

To apply: visit www.NFIB.com/YEA

Deadline: December 18, 2015



JFK Profiles in Courage Essay Contest

Amount: National winner gets \$10,000; regional and runner ups can get \$500-\$1000

Criteria: In 700-1,000 words, write an essay describing and analyzing an act of political courage by a U.S. official who served during or after 1956. Contest is open to students in grades 9-12.

To apply: For full details, visit: <http://www.jfklibrary.org/Education/Profile-in-Courage-Essay-Contest>

Deadline: Postmarked by January 6, 2016



NCSHP's 2015-2016 NC Hispanic College Fund

Amount: \$500-\$2,500 per year

Criteria: Scholarship applicants must be Seniors of Hispanic background with a min. 2.5 GPA planning to enroll in a degree or certificate program at a community college or a 2 or 4 year college/university and be committed to public service and community development. Application includes 2 letters of recommendation and an essay.

To apply: For full details and to apply, visit: <http://thencshp.org/programs/nc-hispanic-college-fund/>

Deadline: Postmarked by January 15, 2016

Grissom Scholarship

Amount: \$200,000+ (four years of full tuition plus \$5,000 in summer enrichment funds to attend Centre College)

Criteria: Applicants must be the first generation in their family to attend a four-year college or university. Strong applicants will have proven academic success, high moral character, exceptional potential for leadership, and significant involvement in extra-curricular activities. Preference is given to applicants with substantial financial need.

To apply: Apply online to Centre College by January 15. Apply at this link: <http://www.centre.edu/admission-aid/apply-to-centre/> . Talk to Ms. Grant or Ms. Bimson for details.

Deadline: January 15, 2016



DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) Scholarships

Amount: Varies

Criteria: The National Society of DAR has multiple scholarships available. Criteria for each scholarship differ but may include GPA, financial need, and college course of study. Some of the specific areas of study include: American History, American Government, Historic Preservation and Medical & Nursing. There is also a scholarship awarded to Native American students.

To apply: For full details on any of these scholarships and to apply, visit: <http://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships/general-info>

Deadline: Postmarked by February 10, 2016



Create a Greeting Card Scholarship Competition

Amount: \$10,000

Criteria: Browse their website for examples. Submit any photo, artwork, or computer graphic for the front of a greeting card. Photo, art, or graphic must be your own original creation. Only 1 entry per person. National winner gets \$10,000.

To apply: <http://www.gallerycollection.com/greeting-cards-scholarship.htm>

Deadline: February 25, 2016



The NC Retail Merchants Association (NCRMA) Scholarship

Amount: \$2,500

Criteria: This scholarship is open to any senior who works for a CFIC member or whose parent works for a CFIC member (if you need to verify that an employer is a member, you can call (919) 832-0811. Most retail companies are members!). Scholarship winners will be chosen based on academic record, test scores, and extracurricular activities.

To apply: www.retailpaysforcollege.org

Deadline: A complete application packet must be received or post marked by **April 4, 2016**.

Sun Trust Off to College Scholarship Sweepstakes

Amount: \$500 (two winners every two weeks from Oct-May)

Criteria: High school seniors planning to attend a two year or four year public or private college. Fifteen drawings will be held and one winner will be chosen every two weeks from October 30, 2015 through May 13, 2016.

To apply: Registration begins September 14th at <http://www.suntrusteducation.com/sweeps/>

Deadline: May 2016



CFNC Financial Literacy Scholarship

Amount: \$500

Criteria: Anyone who completes the Financial Basics course on CFNC is entered for an opportunity to win this \$500 scholarship.

To apply: <https://basics.financialliteracy101.org/> Complete the Financial Basics course and you will automatically be entered in a \$500 drawing. You will have to log in with your CFNC account.

Deadline: June 2016

Art Institute Scholarship Competitions

Amount: varies

Criteria: The Art Institute offers LOTS of scholarship money through their scholarship competition programs in a variety of areas (Photography, Teen Chef, Fashion Design). Each has their own requirements and deadlines, so check their website for detailed information!

To apply: Visit their website at: <http://www.artinstitutes.edu/competitions/high-school.aspx>

Deadline: Varies

SPCC Scholarships

- SPCC has a single form that is used to apply to all of their scholarships. Applications can be found online at www.spcc.edu. Any student who applies to SPCC and fills out the common scholarship application, and completes a FAFSA will be considered for any scholarship for which they qualify.

National Database of Nursing Scholarships

- The National Database of Nursing Scholarships has over 1,700 nursing programs to research, and over 10,000 nursing scholarships listed. To apply, students must visit <http://www.free-4u.com/nursing/>.

THIS IS NOT AN ALL-INCLUSIVE LISE OF SCHOLARSHIPS.

To search for other scholarships, you can use the websites listed below. It is also a good idea to look at the financial aid portion of the website of the schools to which you are interested in applying – they often have specific need- and merit-based scholarships just for their applicants. Churches, community groups, your employer or family members' employers are also great resources for potential scholarships.

HELPFUL SCHOLARSHIP WEBSITES

www.cfnc.org

www.srnexpress.com

www.fafsa.ed.gov

www.fastweb.com

www.weeklyscholarshipalert.com

www.finaid.org

www.schoolsoup.com

www.scholarshipplus.com

www.cappex.com

www.studentaid.ed.gov

www.collegeboard.com

www.actstudent.org

www.myrichuncle.com

www.scholarshiphelp.com

www.scholarships.com

www.wiredscholar.com

www.salliemae.com/scholarships

www.studentawardsearch.com

www.scholarshipprovider.net

www.freecollegescholarships.net

www.collegeboard.org

www.hispanicfund.org

www.thencshp.org/resources/for-students/
(information for Hispanic students)

raise.me