



December 2013 Scholarship Newsletter

Remaining 2013-2014 test dates

SAT		ACT	
<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Register by</u>	<u>Test Date</u>	<u>Register by</u>
January 25	December 27	February 8	January 10
March 8	February 7	April 12	March 7
May 3	April 4	June 14	May 9
June 7	May 9		

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

*Remember to bring Ms. McDonald your acceptance letters and scholarship notifications as you receive them!
We want to keep track of your accomplishments!*



A next to a scholarship means that this is a **NEW** scholarship listing for this month.

ECU Scholars

Amount: substantial scholarship to East Carolina University

Criteria: anyone who applies to ECU before December 1 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 Dec 1

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/>

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NFIB Young Entrepreneur Award

Amount: ranges from \$1,000 to \$10,000

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 their freshman year at an accredited two- or four-year university, college or vocational/technical institute during the Fall 2014

To apply: visit www.NFIB.com/YEA

Deadline: December 18, 2013

FIRE (Foundation for Individual Rights in Education) Essay Competition

Amount: scholarships range from \$500 to \$10,000

Criteria: High school seniors who are planning on attending college next year can write an essay explaining why free speech and First Amendment rights are crucial to higher education.

To apply: For detailed instructions and to apply, <http://thefire.org/contest>

Deadline: January 1, 2014

JFK Profiles in Courage Essay Contest

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

Criteria: In 1,000 words or less, write an essay describing and analyzing an act of political courage by a U.S. official who served during or after 1956.

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

Deadline: January 6, 2014



Burger King BK Scholars program

Amount: scholarships range from \$1,000 to \$50,000

Criteria: High school seniors, Burger King employees, and children of Burger King employees are eligible to apply. Recipients are selected based on their GPA, work experience, extracurricular activities, and community service.

To apply: <https://www.scholarshipamerica.org/burgerkingscholars/>

Deadline: January 10, 2014



Elon University Watson and Odyssey Scholarships

Amount: 24 scholarships ranging from \$30,000-\$48,000

Criteria: These scholarships are geared towards students who will bring cultural or socioeconomic diversity to Elon. Applicants should be first generation college students, have achieved success despite hardship or unusual challenge, have not have the opportunity for enriching educational or personal experience due to personal circumstances or socioeconomic factors, and have excellent potential to benefit from an Elon education. Students should have strong academic and leadership potential.

To apply: Complete your application for admission to Elon University by January 10, 2014 (www.elon.edu/apply). Complete your Watson and Odyssey Scholarship Application at the same website by February 10, 2014.

Deadline: Apply to Elon by January 10th, complete supplemental application by February 10, 2014



The Gates Millennium Scholars

Amount: One thousand scholarships will be given nationwide, that cover the full cost any unmet tuition, room and board, and fees for four years.

Criteria: Must be African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian & Pacific Islanders, or Hispanic American. Must be a citizen, national or legal permanent resident of the United States. Must have an unweighted 3.3 GPA, be enrolling for the first time in college in the fall of 2014. Must have demonstrated leadership abilities through participation in community service, extracurricular or other activities. Must meet Federal Pell Grant eligibility.

To apply: <http://www.gmsp.org/>

Deadline: January 15, 2014



NC Hispanic College Fund

Amount: between \$500 and \$2500

Criteria: Applicants must be Hispanic, a graduating senior from a NC high school, have an unweighted GPA of 2.5, and planning to enroll in a 2 or 4 year college or university. Preference is given to foreign born students or students born to foreign born parents. Students should be committed to public service and community development. You will need two letters of recommendation and to write a short personal statement.

To apply: Applications available with Ms. McDonald or at

www.thencshp.org/resources/students/nc_hispanic_college_fund.shtml

Deadline: applicants must be RECEIVED by January 15, 2014

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. National winner gets \$10,000.

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

Deadline: January 15, 2014



Ronald McDonald House Charities Scholarships

Amount: \$1,000 and up towards tuition

Criteria: Applicants must be a graduating senior with a 2.7 minimum GPA planning on attending a 2 or 4 year college or university. Selection is made based on financial need, community involvement, a short essay, and academic achievements and records. You will be considered for one of four possible scholarship categories: RMHC (all students eligible), RMHC/Asia (applicants must have at least one parent of Asian-Pacific Heritage), RMHC/African American Future Achievers (must have at least one parent of African American/Caribbean Heritage), or RMHC/HACER (applicants must have at least one parent of Hispanic Heritage).

To apply: <http://www.rmhc.org/rmhc-us-scholarships>

Deadline: January 21, 2014

Monroe-Union Breakfast Rotary

Amount: Varies

Criteria: ANY senior who has done community service! NO GPA requirement. You will write a SHORT essay (300 words) on "What have you done in the area of service to people, the community, and the world to deserve this scholarship?". There will be a winner from each high school in the county!

To apply: Pick up an application with Ms. McDonald

Deadline: January 24th, 2014



NCSEAA Jagannathan Scholarship

Amount: \$2,000

Criteria: Given to a graduating high school senior who will attend one of the UNC system schools. Recipients are selected based on academic achievement, financial need, extracurricular activities, and evidence of leadership.

To apply: You will need a copy of your transcript, SAT scores, an essay, and a letter of reference. You must apply through your CFNC account at www.cfnc.org/jag.

Deadline: You must complete the electronic application AND submit your FAFSA by **February 1, 2014**.

America's Farmers Grow Ag Leaders Scholarship Program

Amount: multiple \$1,500 scholarships available

Criteria: Students must reside in an eligible county (Union County qualifies), have a 2.5 GPA, and be planning on majoring in an agricultural or agriculturally related program. You will need 3 farmers to endorse your application. You do not need to be an FFA member to apply.

To apply: www.growagleaders.com

Deadline: you may apply any time between Nov 15th, 2013, and **February 1, 2014**.



Crumley Roberts Founder's Scholarship

Amount: \$2,500

Criteria: Any North Carolina high school senior who is planning on attending a four year college or university. Applicants need to write an open letter essay directed at distracted drivers explaining the dangers and persuading them to stay focused on the road.

To apply: Download and print an application from www.crumleyroberts.com – click on community, and then scholarship programs.

Deadline: All materials must be in by **February 1, 2014**.

North Carolina High School Athletic Association Endowed Scholarships

Criteria: The NCHSAA offers a variety of scholarships, three of which are listed below.

To apply: For more information about each and to apply to any of them, visit: www.nchsaa.org and click on Scholarships and Awards.

Deadline: All NCHSAA scholarships are due **February 14, 2014**

- **Jerry MccGee Endowed Scholarship**

Amount: two \$1,000 scholarships – one male and one female

Criteria: This scholarship honors student-athletes who have distinguished themselves by overcoming adversity and returned to excel beyond expectations in their sport

- **Charlie Adams Endowed Scholarship**

Amount: two \$15000 scholarships

Criteria: There will be two winners of this scholarship – one male varsity wrestler and one female varsity cross country runner

- **Clary Student Medal**

Amount: \$2,000

Criteria: Any varsity athlete. Other conditions may apply – check website for full details.

WACE National Co-op Scholarship Program

Amount: \$6,000-\$6,500 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, or Wentworth Institute of Technology. Applicants must have a 3.5 GPA and be accepted to one of the institutions listed above.

To apply: www.waceinc.org

Deadline: February 14th, 2014. Early applications are encouraged.



The Greater Charlotte Bowling Scholarship Fund

Amount: \$1,500

Criteria: must be a resident of Mecklenburg, Union, or Cabarrus counties. Must have bowled as a youth and held a certified youth membership in USBC. Must have a GPA of 2.6 or higher.

To apply: Applications available with Ms. McDonald

Deadline: must be postmarked by March 1, 2014

NCAE Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholarship

Amount: varies

Criteria: applicants should be a NC resident enrolled in public high school and should have a minimum unweighted GPA of 2.5. Application includes extracurricular activities, honors and accomplishments, and a short essay (150 words) on how Dr. King influences your life. Based on financial need and academic achievement. You will also need two letters of recommendation.

To apply: www.NCAE.org, or www.NCFPSC.org, or a paper application in Ms. McDonald's office

Deadline: postmarked by March 31st. All application materials should be sent in one envelope.



Forgivable Education Loans for Service (FELS)

North Carolina offers specific forgivable loans (***this means you don't have to pay them back!!***) for students entering critical employment shortage professions, which includes: education, chiropractic, dental hygiene, EMT, medical technology, occupational therapy, pharmacy & pharmacy tech, physician assistants, radiography, sonography, social work, nursing, and medical programs.

Criteria: graduating high school students must have a 3.0 weighted GPA, be registered with the selective service if applicable, not be in default of any state or federal loans, and be willing to work in NC in one of the designated professions.

To apply: www.cnfc.org/FELS. More detailed information is also available on this website.

Deadline: April 1, 2014

NROTC Scholarship

Amount: up to \$180,000 for 4 years of college educations

Criteria: The NROTC Scholarship provides money for college tuition and fees for students in return for a commitment to be a Marine Corps officer for at least four years after graduation. They are specifically looking for the following test scores: 74 or higher on the ASVAB, 1000 combined reading and math SAT, or 22 composite ACT. You must pass a physical fitness test as well. Minority students and females are especially encouraged to apply.

To apply: You will need to speak to Sgt. Moberg. See Ms. McDonald for his contact information

Deadline: April 30, 2013 AT THE LATEST. The earlier, the better.



UNC-G Guarantee

Amount: Covers the full cost of all unmet need at UNC-G

Criteria: UNCG Guarantee helps in-state students graduate from UNCG in four years with little or no debt as well as provides a support program to encourage academic and personal success. The university will make every attempt to meet the rest of the recipients' financial need through a combination of federal, state, university, and private grants and scholarships. Applicants must be high schools seniors accepted to UNC-Greensboro, received a combined reading/math SAT of 1000 or an ACT composite of 21. You must complete the FAFSA and qualify for federal financial aid.

To apply: <http://guarantee.uncg.edu/apply/online.shtml> . Remember, you must have completed the FAFSA before you are considered eligible.

Deadline: May 15, 2014

CFNC Financial Literacy Scholarship

Amount: \$500

Criteria: Anyone who completes the Financial Literacy 101 course on CFNC is entered for an opportunity to win this \$500 scholarship. One scholarship

To apply: http://www.cfnc.org/paying/financial_literacy.jsp Complete the Financial Literacy 101 course. You will have to log in with your CFNC account.

Deadline: June 30, 2014

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 have 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

Sun Trust Off to College Scholarship Sweepstakes

Amount: \$1000 and a Sun Trust gift card (one winner every two weeks from Sept-May)

Criteria: High school seniors planning to attend college. Not based on GPA or financial need Fifteen drawings will be held and one winner will be chosen every two weeks from October 25, 2013 through May 9, 2014.

To apply: offtocollege.info

Deadline: May 9, 2014

Aspiring Pharmacy Technician Scholarship

Amount: \$1,000

Criteria: Any student interested in pursuing a pharmacology career path. Check the website for additional criteria.

To apply: <http://www.pharmacytechnicianreview.com>

Deadline: June 1, 2014

Aspiring Fashion Professional Scholarship

Amount: \$1,000

Criteria: Any student interested in pursuing a fashion degree at an accredited school. Check the website for additional criteria.

To apply: <http://www.fashion-schools.org>

Deadline: June 1, 2014

Aspiring Animation Professional Scholarship

Amount: \$1,000

Criteria: Students who are interested in pursuing an animation career path. Check the website for more details.

To apply: <http://www.animationcareerreview.com/animationcareerreviewcom-aspiring-animation-professional-scholarship-program>

Deadline: June 1, 2014

Automotive Repair/Mechanics Scholarship links:

www.automotivescholarships.com

www.cpcc.edu/transport_systems/scholarships

The North Carolina National Guard can offer up to **\$68,000** a year in money to pay for education. Your time commitment is one weekend a month and two weeks in the summer. Contact Sgt. Tarczynski for information or with questions! Ph: 704-219-9069

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.hispanicfund.org

www.salliemae.com/scholarships

www.scholarshipprovider.net

www.freecollegescholarships.net

www.collegeboard.org

www.studentawardsearch.com

www.schoolsoup.com/scholarship-directory

www.studentscholarships.org