



October 2013 Scholarship Newsletter

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

2013-2014 test dates			
SAT		ACT	
Test Date	Register by	Test Date	Register by
November 2	October 3		
December 7	November 8	December 14	November 8
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		

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



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



Carolina's Carrousel Scholarship Program and Thanksgiving Parade

The Carolina's Carrousel Program is being run differently this year. There will be no awards ceremony, and only the scholarship winners will appear in the Thanksgiving Day Parade. Each high school in the area may nominate one senior female to compete for a spot in the Thanksgiving Day parade. **If you are interested, you must submit the following information to Ms. McDonald by October 8th:**

- A list of your academic and extracurricular accomplishments
- A 300-500 word essay on the following topic: *"What are your dreams of the future? When you look back on your life in 30 years, what would it take for you to consider your life successful?"*

*The scholarship committee will choose ONE nominee. This student must be willing to provide the following by **October 15th**: 3 letters of recommendation (two from teachers or school personnel and one from a community member documenting your community service), a photo, and documentation that you have taken an SAT or ACT test. It would be a good idea to obtain those letters of recommendation now so that you are not rushing your recommenders at the time.*

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, 2013

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: *Reflecting on your personal experiences and/or circumstances, tell us something about yourself that distinguishes you as a potential scholarship candidate.* Include your full name, the name of your high school, and your plans for next year.

Deadline: October 4, 2013

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 should submit their separate application for early admission to UNC Chapel Hill.

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

Deadline: October 15, 2013

UNC Charlotte Levine Scholars Program

Amount: over \$90,000 – full tuition, books, and expenses 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. McDonald in the Counseling Center 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 15, 2013

NFAA Young Arts Scholarships

Amount: range from \$100 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.

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

Deadline: October 18, 2013

Davidson College Belk Scholarship

Amount: Approximately \$50,000 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 one Belk Scholarship candidate. If you would like to be considered by the scholarship committee, submit a resume or short statement to Ms. McDonald by October 22.

Deadline: October 23, 2013

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

Deadline: October 23, 2013

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, , 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!

Deadline: October 25, 2013



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: October 31, 2013

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, 2013

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, 2013



The Jack Kent Cook College Scholarship Program

Amount: up to \$30,000 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.

To apply: www.jkcf.org/scholarships

Deadline: November 5, 2013

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. McDonald. The principal, with input from the scholarship committee, will certify one FHHS applicant to progress in the scholarship competition.

Deadline: November 5, 2013 (Please let Ms. McDonald know when you complete your application!)



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/>

Deadline: December 15, 2013 (the earlier, the better – applications will be cut off after 10,000 are received)



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, 2013



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.jfklibrary.org/Education/Profile-in-Courage-Essay-Contest>

Deadline: January 6, 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



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, 2013. Early applications are encouraged.



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, 2013

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