FOREST HILLS SCHOLARSHIP NEWSLETTER

Ms. Prothero



Hi there! My name is Ms. Prothero, and I'm your College Adviser. I know there's a lot involved when it comes to choosing colleges, applying to them, and especially getting money for them. But it can be done, and I'm here to help! Here is a curated list for you of some local and national scholarships. However, there are many more! Please talk to me about scholarships you're interested in, college options, or any questions you have!

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Facebook: @fhhscollegeadvising

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I am working remotely, but I'm still here for you full-time!

TAKE NOTE:

SAT/ACT 2020-2021 DATES

SAT Dates

March 13, 2021 May 8, 2021 June 5, 2021

Registration Deadlines

February 12, 2021 April 8, 2021 May 6, 2021

ACT Dates

February 6, 2021 April 17, 2021 June 12, 2021 July 17, 2021

Registration Deadlines

January 8, 2021 March 12, 2021 May 7, 2021 June 18, 2021

To register for the SAT, click here

To register for the ACT, click here

SAT/ACT FEE WAIVERS

You are eligible for up to four ACT fee waivers and two SAT fee waivers if you are on Free or Reduced Lunch, or meet other criteria. These waivers also make you eligible for college application fee waivers. Chat with your counselor if you need a fee waiver!

A NOTE ON THE SAT/ACT:

If you are planning on applying to a four-year college or university, it is a good idea to take either the ACT or the SAT at least two times. You do NOT (and should not) wait until your scores come in to apply to colleges. You do NOT need to take the SAT or ACT if you are solely applying to community colleges.

SCOIR

Scoir (pronounced "score") is our College Admissions portal. You **must** create a Scoir account in order to apply to college. In order to do so, you **must** accept the invitation that was sent to your school email. Without Scoir, you will **not** be able to send transcripts or letters of recommendation to colleges. Scoir will also make it easy to search for colleges and save schools you're interested in! Click here for instructions on accepting your invitation and some more information on Scoir. You must mark all schools you've applied to on your "My Colleges" page on Scoir



Accept your Scoir invitation ASAP!

Now onto scholarships...

PB&J SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$500-\$1,000

Criteria: This scholarship is for students who have faced personal challenges that may not have allowed them to perform well academically, but who are still driven to succeed. This can include illness, peer issues such as bullying or change of school, and family issues such as divorce, death, homelessness, and more. There is no GPA requirement.

Deadline: Priority deadline of December 31, 2020. Late deadline of

May 31, 2021.

Apply: To learn more and apply, click here



DREAM.US OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: Up to \$20,000 per year, renewable for four years **Criteria**: This scholarship is for high schoolers with DACA or TPS
authorization who lived in locked-out states, such as North Carolina.

You must have come to the U.S. before you turned 16 and before

November 1, 2015. You must have unmet financial need, have a 2.8 or
better GPA. In order to receive this scholarship, you must enroll in one
of their four partner colleges

Deadline: January 28, 2021.

Apply: To learn more and apply, click here

JACKIE ROBINSON FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: Up to \$30,000 per year, renewable for four years

Criteria: Applicants must plan on attending a four-year institution, be dedicated to community service, show leadership potential, and show financial need. You must be a U.S. citizen and have a minimum SAT score of 1,000 or a composite ACT score of 21.

Deadline: February 1, 2021.

Apply: To learn more and apply, click here



Foundation



EQUITABLE EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$2,500-\$25,000 scholarships are awarded

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

Deadline: January 28, 2021.

Apply: To learn more and apply, click here

CAROLINA COVENANT SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: Varies, can cover up to full tuition for four years at Chapel Hill. **Criteria:** Applicants must apply and be accepted to the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and demonstrate substantial financial need.

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

Apply: You must meet the FAFSA and CSS Profile national deadlines. If you meet certain criteria, you will automatically be considered for the scholarship by UNC. To learn more, click <u>here</u>



GARDNER-WEBB HONORS MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: Up to \$10,000

Criteria: Applicants must be intended music majors at Gardner-Webb.
The amount varies depending on the applicant's musical talent, as
decided by an audition (of voice or an instrument).

Deadline: The next audition is January 23, 2021.

Apply: You must fill out an online Music Scholarship Application and choose an audition date. The sooner you audition, the more money you're likely to get. To learn more and apply, click <u>here.</u>

GARDNER-WEBB MARCHING BULLDOGS SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: Up to \$1,000

Criteria: All members of Gardner-Webb's marching band are eligible for

this scholarship.

Apply: To learn more, click here.





BEACON SCHOLARSHIP FOR RURAL AMERICA

Amount: \$1,000 for your spring and fall semester.

Criteria: You must reside in a rural area and meet low-income

requirements. You must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher. Deadline: June 30, 2021 for the Fall 2021 semester.

Apply: This scholarship requires you to write an essay about patriotism, and to have two letters of recommendation. To learn more and apply,

click here.

AUTOMOTIVE WOMEN'S ALLIANCE FOUNDATION EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$2,500

Criteria: Applicants must have previously been accepted to a college/university and plan to pursue an associates or bachelors

degree. You must show passion and drive for the automotive industry.

Winners must maintain a 3.0 GPA while in college.

Deadline: January 9, 2021

Apply: To learn more and apply, click here.



WASHINGTON WASHINGTON CROSSING FOUNDATION **SCHOLARSHIP**

Amount: Varies

Criteria: Applicants should plan on pursuing a career in government

service. You must be a U.S. citizen.

Deadline: January 15, 2021

Apply: To learn more and apply, click here.

VEGETARIAN RESOURCE GROUP SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$5,000 or \$10,000

Criteria: Applicants should have promoted vegetarianism in their

schools and/or communities. Deadline: February 20, 2021





AUGER & AUGER DISABLED SCHOLAR AWARD

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ALGER -

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of Distinguished Americans, Inc.

Amount: \$1,000

Criteria: Open to graduating high school seniors with a minimum GPA of 2.8. Applicants must submit an unofficial transcript along

with a 500-1,000 word essay about living with a disability.

Deadline: July 31, 2021 for the Fall 2021 semester.

Apply: To learn more and to apply, click here

HORATIO ALGER CAREER AND TECHNICAL

SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: Up to \$2,500. Funds may be used for tuition, fees, books and supplies.

Criteria: Applicants must exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a career or technical program (up to 2 years) at an accredited non-profit post-secondary institution in the United States, have demonstrated critical financial need (must be eligible to receive the Federal Pell grant as determined by completion of the FAFSA), have demonstrated perseverance in overcoming adversity, and be a United States citizen.



Apply: To learn more and apply, click here



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.

Deadline: January 9, 2021

AED SUPERSTORE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$1000

Criteria: Applicants must be legal residents of the U.S. You must submit a video or essay describing or showing efforts undertaken

to raise awareness about Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA).

Deadline: May 31, 2021.

Apply: To learn more and to apply, click here





MONROE-UNION BREAKFAST ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: Varies

Criteria: You must be a senior in Union County. This scholarship is based on the applicant's credentials in the area of service to people, the community, and the environment. This is not academic or need-based. One student from each Union County high school is chosen.

Deadline: May 31, 2021.

Apply: You must submit a 250-300 word essay answering the question "What have you done in the area of service to people, the community and the world to deserve this scholarship?". You must mail this in to Monroe-Union Breakfast Rotary Club, PO Box 655 Monroe, NC 28222-0655.

SECU PEOPLE HELPING PEOPLE SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$10,000 over four years (\$1,250 per semester)

Criteria: Applicants must be accepted by and plan on attending a UNC system school. You (or your parents) must be members of the State Employees' Credit Union. Preference is given to students whose parents/guardians are public sector employees in NC. Financial need is taken into account, and you must fill out the FAFSA. You should have a 2.5+ GPA and exemplify SECU's philosophy of leadership, excellence of character, integrity, and community involvement.

Deadline: May 31, 2021.

Apply: To learn more click <u>here</u>. To apply, talk to Ms. Prothero ASAP. She will give you access to the application packet. It will be due to her by February 15, 2021.





GE-REAGAN FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$10,000, renewable for four years.

Criteria: Applicants must have at least a 3.0 unweighted, be U.S. citizens, and plan on going to a four-year institution. They look for demonstrated attributes of leadership, integrity, drive, and citizenship.

Deadline: January 5, 2021

Apply: To learn more and to apply, click here.

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION (DAR) SCHOLARSHIPS

Amount: Varies

Criteria: The National Society of DAR has multiple scholarships Daughters of the American Revolution

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.

students.

Deadline: January 31, 2021

Apply: To learn more and to apply, click <u>here</u>.



NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF VETERANS AFFAIRS SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: Varies

Criteria: An applicant 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

Deadline: Varies



NO SWEAT SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$2,500

Criteria: This scholarship is for students in 8-12th grades. It's an easy and free scholarship, with no minimum GPA, no income requirements, and no essay to write. Students can use the award for any educational-related need (tuition, books and supplies, etc).

Deadline: December 31, 2020.

Apply: To learn more and apply, click here

FOOT LOCKER SCHOLAR ATHLETES SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$20,000

Criteria: This scholarship is for scholar athletes who demonstrate good sportsmanship and strong moral character, display academic excellence, and are passionate about their communities. You must plan on attending a four-year institution, be involved in high school sports, have at least a 3.0 GPA unweighted, and be a U.S. citizen or permanent legal resident.

Deadline: January 8, 2021.

Apply: To learn more and apply, click here.



APIA SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: Ranges from \$2,500 to \$20,000

Criteria: Applicants must be Asian and/or Pacific Islander and be citizens or permanent residents of the U.S. You must have at least a 2.7 unweighted GPA. You must submit the FAFSA.

Deadline: January 14, 2021.

Apply: To learn more and apply, click <u>here</u>.

TACO BELL LIVE MÁS SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: Up to \$25,000

Criteria: This is a passion-based scholarship (not need or achievement-based). Applicants must be passionate about creating a better future and making a positive impact on their community.

Deadline: January 20, 2021.





LENOIR-RHYNE TEACHING SCHOLARS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



Amount: Up to \$5,500 per year for four years

Criteria: Interest in becoming a teacher

Deadline: Rolling through January 10, 2021.

Apply: Student must complete their application for admission to Gardner Webb along with the Teaching Scholars Program application. To learn more and apply, click <u>here</u>.

NATIONAL BETA CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$1,000 to \$20,000

Criteria: Applicants must be National Beta Club members. They look for academic excellence, leadership, character, school/community service, and National Beta involvement.

Deadline: January 21, 2021.

Apply: To learn more and apply, click <u>here</u>.





UNION PLUS SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$500-\$4,000

Criteria: Applicants must be children of a current or retired union member. They recommend a GPA of 3.0 unweighted or higher. They look for academic achievement, social

awareness, financial need, and appreciation of labor.

Deadline: January 31, 2021.

Apply: To learn more and apply, click here.

NITRO SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$2000

Criteria: This is a sweepstakes. It's very quick and easy to

enter!

Deadline: December 31, 2021.





AMERICANMUSCLE AUTOMOTIVE SCHOLARSHIPS

Amount: \$2,000

Criteria: Only students currently enrolled full-time in an American college, technical institute, or high school seniors planning to attend a college or post-secondary institution are eligible to be awarded a scholarship through this program. Scholarships are restricted to those students pursuing an automotive degree or related field of study. All applicants must include some form of proof of enrollment when submitting applications.

Deadline: June 15, 2021 for fall applicants.

Apply: Submit a 700-1500 word essay on "who you are and how you plan on using your automotive education to incite positive change and innovation within the custom car industry." You must include proof of acceptance to an accredited U.S. college or university. To learn more and apply, click here

COLLEGE BOARD OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS

College Board Opportunity Scholarships Amount: \$500-\$2,000

Criteria: You must complete steps of the college application process on College Board's website. Each step is due on a certain date, and completing it will enter you to win a different scholarship.

Deadline: Each step varies (some have already passed).

Apply: Check out College Board's website to learn more and complete your steps <u>here.</u>

TECHNOLOGY ADDICTION AWARENESS SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$1,000

Criteria: You must be a U.S. citizen or legal resident. The application is a brief form with an essay about technology

addiction.

Deadline: January 30, 2021.

Apply: To learn more and apply, click here.



American Muscle



HISPANIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Amount: \$500-5,000

Criteria: Must be of Hispanic heritage, a U.S. citizen, permanent legal resident, DACA, or eligible non-citizen (as defined by FAFSA). Have a minimum of a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent), plan to enroll full-time in an accredited, not-for-profit, four-year university, or graduate school, in the U.S., during the fall of a scholarship cycle (academic year). Must submit the FAFSA.

Deadline: February 15, 2021

Apply: To learn more and apply, click <u>here</u> (you must create an account

-NORTH CAROLINA

to apply)

FLORENCE KIDDER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: Up to \$3,000

Criteria: Applicant must be a high school senior who is planning on matriculating into a postsecondary program in North Carolina Entrusted With History's Future beginning in the fall of 2021. The scholarship will be awarded on the basis of merit of the individual essay (75%), scholarship and character (20%), and need (5%).

Deadline: Deadline of all materials (including essay) is February 7,

2021

Apply: An original essay ("A Glimpse into History") of 500-700 words is required. To learn more, see the essay prompt, and apply, click <u>here</u>



Union Power College

Scholarships

UNION POWER COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: 10 scholarships of \$1,000 each

Criteria: All applicants must be a child of a Union Power Cooperative member or live in a home served by Union Power Cooperative. The applicant must be a high school senior in the current graduating class. Criteria for awarding the scholarship to an individual is based on 40% need, 30% scholastic achievement, and 30% extracurricular activities in school, civic, and community functions. Children of Union Power employees and its subsidiary, Union Services, are not eligible to apply.

Deadline: March 19, 2021.

BLUEPAY STEM SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: Up to \$1,000

Criteria: Applicants must be planning to major in a STEM field. You must write a 500-1000 word essay answering one of their three

prompts.

Deadline: December 31, 2021

Apply: To learn more and apply, click <u>here</u>.

SOCIETY OF MANUFACTURING ENGINEERS SCHOLARSHIPS



Amount: Varies

Criteria: They offer multiple scholarships for graduating high school seniors. They have different requirements but all are for aspiring engineers.

Deadline: February 1, 2021 (for all scholarships). **Apply:** To learn more and apply, click <u>here.</u>

NCHSAA ENDOWED FUND SCHOLARSHIPS

Amount: \$1,500

Criteria: The NCHSAA provides a variety of scholarships for students participating in varsity sports in North Carolina. Check out their page for their different scholarships and their varying criteria.

Deadline: February 5, 2021 to April 2, 2021. **Apply:** To learn more and apply, click <u>here.</u>



BluePay



1 FOR 2 EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: Up to \$25,000

Criteria: Applicants must have at least a 3.7 unweighted or a 4.0 weighted. You must agree to their Pledge, which states that you will participate in their annual Foundation Gathering and, in the future, pay for a comparable scholarship grant for two scholars who aren't related to you. You must be planning on attending a 4-year institution and maintain a 3.0 GPA while there.

Deadline: February 15, 2021



ART INSTITUTE SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITIONS

Amount: Varies

Criteria: The Art Institute offers several scholarships in a variety of areas. Each has their own requirements and deadlines, so check their website for detailed information.

Deadline: Varies

Apply: To learn more and to apply, click here

SPCC SCHOLARSHIPS

SPCC has a single form that is used to apply to all of their scholarships. Applications can be found online <u>here</u>. 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.





ALLEGRA FORD THOMAS SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$5,000 split over two years (\$2,500 per year)

Criteria: For students with learning disabilities and/or ADHD who will enroll in a two-year college, vocational or training school, or a specialized program for students with learning disabilities and/or ADHD.

Deadline: April 5, 2021.

Apply: To learn more, click here

ANNE FORD SCHOLARSHIP

Amount: \$10,000 split over four years (\$2,500 per year)

Criteria: For students with learning disabilities and/or ADHD who will enroll in a four-year bachelor's degree program.

Students should "demonstrate their ability to contribute positively to society and present opportunities for other students with learning disabilities."

Deadline: April 5, 2021.

Apply: To learn more, click <u>here</u>



THIS IS NOT AN EXHAUSTIVE LIST 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 websites of the schools to which you are interested in applying – they often have specific need- and merit-based scholarships just for their applicants. Places of worship, community groups, your employer, or family members' employers are also great resources for potential scholarships. It never hurts to ask!

You can also go to Union County's Scholarship Page to view various scholarships and how to apply for them: https://www.ucps.k12.nc.us/page/7801

www.cfnc.org
www.bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholars
hip-search
www.studentaid.ed.gov
www.fastweb.com
www.finaid.org
www.scholarships.com
www.cappex.com

www.salliemae.com/scholarships
www.freecollegescholarships.net
www.scholarshipamerica.org
www.studentawardsearch.com
www.raise.me
https://www.hispanicleague.org/otherscholarship-opportunities
http://www.free-4u.com/nursing/

I will be updating this newsletter every few months as well as sending email reminders about upcoming scholarship deadlines.

TAKE NOTE:

If a scholarship application requires letters of recommendation, you must ask people (teachers, counselors, coaches, Ms. Prothero, etc.) if they would be willing to write them with plenty of time to do so. I recommend giving everyone around 2 weeks to be able to write your recommendation letters. This means you cannot put off asking for them! This will help both you and your recommender. They'll have more time to write the letter, and it won't be rushed. A rushed letter wouldn't be a good testament to you. You'll be more likely to get the scholarship if you give them a good heads up!

IF YOU NEED HELP:

Talk to Ms. Prothero and/or your counselor!

New school counselor divisions:

Ms. Cobb (cheryll.cobb@ucps.k12.nc.us): Last Names A-Cl

Mrs. Thomas (shannon.thomas@ucps.k12.nc.us): Last Names Co-Ha

Ms. Haigler (katie.haigler@ucps.k12.nc.us): Last Names He-Me

Ms. Ponder (christi.ponder@ucps.k12.nc.us): Last Names Mi-Se

Mrs. Lanier (elizabeth.lanier@ucps.k12.nc.us): Last Names Sh-Z



GOOD LUCK! YOU GOT THIS!

