

Scholarship Bulletin #7 November/December

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IN-STATE SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

Wake Forest University - Smithfield Luter Scholarship *Discipline:* Must attend Wake Forest University *Award:* Full Scholarship *Requirements:* Must be dependent children or grandchildren of full-time or retired employees of Smithfield family companies. For more information, visit <http://financialaid.wfu.edu/a-to-z/scholarships/university-scholarship-programs/>. Deadline: February 1

Meredith College offers a number of scholarship opportunities designed to reward the achievements of young women. The **Meredith Legacy Scholarship** is a full, four-year, merit-based scholarship, and the **Meredith Presidential Scholarship**, a renewable full tuition scholarship, are selected from the Honors Program application pool [application deadline is January 15]. In addition, **Academic Merit Scholarships** are awarded to entering first-year students based on academic achievement and are renewable for up to four years. Awards range from \$13,000 to \$18,000 annually. All students admitted to Meredith are automatically considered for Academic Merit Scholarships. The **Paschal Scholarships** are available to incoming first-year students who intend to major in computer science, math, biology, chemistry or engineering. Also, **Art Scholarship, Interior Design Scholarships and Music Scholarship** are awarded to incoming first-year students as well. And finally, the **Meredith Teaching Fellows** program offers a dynamic educational experience enriched with opportunities to receive classroom experience, learn from professional teachers, participate in study abroad, and enroll in Honors courses.

OUT-OF-STATE SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

The Art Institutes **Best Teen Chef & Culinary Scholarship Competition** offers an opportunity for high school seniors & high school graduates interested in pursuing a culinary career to earn a tuition scholarship to study at one of the Art Institute schools across North America. Each participating Art Institute will award a Gold Medal Winner, who will earn a \$1,500 tuition scholarship toward a culinary program at that school. Local Cook-Off Competitions will be held on or around April 21. For more information visit <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarships/best-teen-chef-culinary-scholarship-competition>. Deadline: January.

The **Suzanne Douglas Scholarship** has been established to support a student majoring in theatre [acting/directing/design/production] at **Illinois State**. Preference will be given to an African-American student from a single-parent family with demonstrated financial need. Assets of this endowment are invested in the Illinois State University Endowment Investment Pool. No high school GPPA requirement. No essay required. This scholarship requires a student to have a Financial Need to be eligible to receive the scholarship. In order to establish "Financial Need", a student must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). You can file the FAFSA at www.fafsa.ed.gov. This scholarship is not open to International Students. There is a community service requirement in applying for this scholarship. Applicant must be accepted for enrollment or enrolled in good standing at Illinois State University. For more information on applying to this scholarship, please visit the Dean of Fine Arts website at <http://scholarshipfinder.illinoisstate.edu/scholarships/suzanne-douglas-scholarship/>.

Sullivan Leadership Awards are FULL RIDE scholarships that are offered to outstanding students who accept admission to **Seattle University**. The scholarship is for students who pursue rigorous college preparatory coursework with noteworthy achievement. Most Sullivan Scholarship recipients have a GPA of 3.7 or higher. They are leaders in their campus community as well as in their communities. Students who are currently living and studying in the U.S. may apply. Applicants must have outstanding academic credentials as well as excellent, well-

developed written and oral communication skills. They are active and interested in their communities. The application will include a prompted essay in response to the articles selected for the year's theme. Nine Sullivan Leadership Awards are granted each year. The Sullivan Leadership Award was established in 1988. The scholarship recognizes the leadership and service of the Reverend William J. Sullivan, S.J., president emeritus, who served as president of Seattle University from 1976 to 1996 and as chancellor until his retirement in 2009.

The deadline for this scholarship is November 15, 2016. For more details, visit seattleu.edu/sullivan/about-the-sullivan-leadership-award/.

TEACHING SCHOLARSHIPS

The **Meredith Teaching Fellows** program offers a dynamic educational experience enriched with opportunities to receive classroom experience, learn from professional teachers, participate in study abroad, and enroll in Honors courses. To be considered, applicants must be accepted for admission and be entering as a first-time freshman. For more information, visit www.meredith.edu/teachfel.

Millennium Teacher Scholarship-Loan Program. Must enroll at Elizabeth City State University, Fayetteville State University, or Winston-Salem State University. Applicants must have a minimum SAT score of 900 and at least a 2.5 weighted GPA. Students selected will receive \$6,500 per year for four years. Candidates must have at least \$3,000 worth of financial aid need as determined by the campus financial aid office. Recipients must teach in NC one year for every year of funding or repay the debt in cash at a rate of 10% interest within 10 years of graduation. For more information, visit <http://www.ncseaa.edu/MTSLP.htm>.

NON-SCHOOL SPECIFIC SCHOLARSHIPS

Alzheimer's Foundation of America offers the AFA Teens for Alzheimer's Awareness College Scholarship -- an annual \$5,000 scholarship awarded to one deserving college-bound student, and \$500 and \$250 scholarships awarded to the first and second runner-up, respectively. Applicants are required to submit an autobiography and write a 1,200-1,500 word essay that answers the following questions: How has Alzheimer's disease changed or impacted your life? and What have you learned about yourself, your family and/or your community in the face of coping with Alzheimer's disease? The deadline for applications is February 15 of each year. Applications are available online at http://www.afateens.org/about_new.html.

The **American Legion Auxiliary's Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship** is awarded every year to high school students who have high academics and are leaders in their communities. It is open to students who plan to attend a four-year U.S. college or university. The scholarship may be used for college tuition, room and board, books, fees and other college expenses. Applicants must be descendants of Veterans who served in the Armed Forces. This can include WWI, WWII, Korean War, Vietnam War, Lebanon and Grenada, Panama, and Desert Storm, Gulf War or the War on Terrorism. The scholarship is sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary to support the children of Veterans and to honor the sacrifices of warriors who fought for our freedom. Each year, 15 students are awarded with scholarships to help them pursue higher education. In addition to academics, qualifying students must demonstrate that they committed **50 hours of community service** during their high school years. Students applying for the scholarship must be in their senior year of high school. **The deadline for this scholarship is MARCH 1, 2017, and the award amount is \$2,500 - \$3,500. For more details, visit www.legion-aux.org/Scholarships/Children-of-Warriors-National-Presidents--Scholarship/**

American Meteorological Society Minority Scholarships . The AMS Minority Scholarships help support the college educations of minority students traditionally underrepresented in the sciences, especially Hispanic, Native American, and Black/African American students, who intend to pursue careers in the atmospheric or related oceanic and hydrologic sciences. The two-year scholarships, funded by industry and through donations made by members to the AMS 21st Century Campaign, are for \$3000 for a nine-month period in the freshman year and an additional \$3000 for a nine-month period in the sophomore year. Second year funding depends on successful completion of the first academic year. For more information, go online at

<https://www.ametsoc.org/ams/index.cfm/information-for/students/ams-scholarships-and-fellowships/ams-minority-scholarships/>. February 3, 2017 deadline.

Automotive Hall of Fame Scholarship Program. To be eligible for this scholarship, students should be interested in the automotive field and demonstrate financial need. Both high school seniors and college students who have at least a 3.0 GPA are eligible for the award. The eligibility for this scholarship ranges from trade schools and technical schools to bachelors and masters programs. The application for this scholarship can be found online at <http://www.automotivehalloffame.org/resources/pdf/file-20120525120332.pdf>. In addition to a completed application, students must submit two letters of recommendation, a copy of their college acceptance, and an official transcript. Applications will be accepted February 1 – June 30. If you have any further questions, you can reach out to the scholarship committee via phone (313-240-4000) or e-mail (sue@thedrivingspirit.org).

The **BulkOfficeSupply.com Scholarship** helps students who have an interest in art pursue their goals. According to the BulkOfficeSupply.com website, “if you have an interest in teaching, Art or owning your own business, you are eligible to apply for our scholarship program. The program is open to all high school students as well as College Freshmen and Sophomores. Whether you live in Rochester, Denver, Los Angeles, NYC or elsewhere throughout the country we encourage you to apply.” The **BulkOfficesSupply.com Scholarship** application is simple and to the point:

- Where are you planning on going to school
- What is your desired major
- How did you develop your interest in teaching, art or opening your own business
- How will the scholarship help you attain your goals
- Essay should be about 500 words but not to exceed 600

One student will receive a \$1000.00 scholarship to help with college tuition. The application deadline is February 1, 2017. To apply, visit <https://scholarships360.org/bulkofficesupply-com-scholarship/>.

James W. McLamore **Burger King Scholarship** is open to high school students who will be graduating and entering college as freshmen. It is also open to students who have graduated within the last 3 years. The scholarship is for U.S. and Canadian students. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.3 or above, and a minimum ACT/SAT score of 25/1700. Ideal candidates must have demonstrated work experience as well as substantial experience taking an active leadership role in their community, athletics, or other extra-curricular activities. Three scholarships are awarded each year. Awards are granted without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, age, gender, disability or national origin. **The deadline for this scholarship is December 15, 2016, and the award amount is usually \$50,000. For more details, visit www.scholarshipamerica.org/burgerkingscholars/**

The **Christophers Annual High School Poster Contest** is open to high school students in grades 9-12. Students may enter the competition and win scholarship money by creating a poster that relates to how "One Person Can Make A Difference." Each year, 8 students will be awarded scholarship money by creating a poster that relates to a specific theme; the theme changes each year. The contest gives students an opportunity to utilize their artistic talent, to be reminded that every student matters, and to win money that will help them pay for college. The Christophers is a Christian-based, non-profit organization founded in 1945 and is based on the premise that every individual is unique and can contribute something special to the world that will improve the lives of others. The organization is headquartered in New York. **The deadline for this scholarship is February 27, 2017, and the award amount is usually \$100 - \$1,000. For more details, visit www.christophers.org/page.aspx?pid=274**

Coupons.com \$5,000 Scholarship. According to their website, “Coupons.com knows about saving money. We also know how important it is to spend your money in smart ways. High school and college are often the first times you’re responsible for your own finances, and it can be a challenge. We want to hear from you about how you’re managing your finances, using credit cards, what you’re spending your money on, and what your biggest money

concerns are.” To apply for the Coupons.com \$5,000 Scholarship, take the short survey online at <http://www.coupons.com/thegoodstuff/scholarship/> about your biggest money concerns. Answer all five (5) open-ended survey questions. Judging is based on the following: Quality of Submission (20%); uniqueness of ideas presented in short essay responses (20%); Helpfulness of ideas presented in short essay responses (20%); Completeness of Submission (20%); Relevancy of short essay responses to your school situation (20%). The Coupons.com Scholarship is open to legal residents of the fifty United States and the District of Columbia who are at least thirteen years old and a student enrolled at a tuition-based secondary school, or at an accredited university or college for the current (2015-2016) or upcoming (2016-2017) school year. Submit your application by December 31, 2016.

The **Courageous Persuaders Program** is a program in which high school students create television commercials targeted at middle school students to warn them about the dangers of alcohol use. The competition is open to all high school students --- not only those taking video production. Emphasis is placed on concept and the message, not on production values. The grand prize-winning commercial actually airs on TV as a public service announcement. Participants gain valuable experience, are honored in a Hollywood-style awards banquet and, most importantly, have an opportunity to save lives. For more information, go online at <http://courageouspersuaders.com/the-competition/>. February 9, 2017 deadline.

The **Dell Scholars Program** recognizes students who have overcome significant obstacles to pursue their educations, and are now serving as positive role models in their communities. Applicants must be participants in an approved college-readiness program for a minimum of two of the last three years, must be graduating from high school this academic year, and must be planning to pursue a bachelor's degree program right after high school graduation. In addition, all applicants must have at least a 2.4 GPA, must be able to demonstrate a need for financial assistance, and must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Home schooled students are not eligible to apply. Applications will be evaluated on the student's individual determination to succeed, his/her future goals and plans to achieve them, his/her ability to communicate the hardships you have overcome or currently face, and more. **The deadline for this scholarship is JANUARY 15, 2017 and the award amount is usually \$20,000. For more details, visit www.dellscholars.org**

Educational Theatre Association Scholarships. Thespian scholarships, offered through the Educational Theatre Association, are open to high school students who are active members of the International Thespian Society who plan to attend college with a major or minor in communicative arts [theatre, film, speech, radio & television, broadcasting, music, or dance]. Several types of scholarships are awarded, including those for students majoring in communicative arts, students pursuing a career in theatre education, students with outstanding professional talent pursuing a career in acting or technical theatre, and students majoring in theatre performance, technical theatre, or playwriting. The deadline for these scholarships is April 1, 2017, and the award amount is usually \$1,000-\$4,500. For more information visit <http://www.schooltheatre.org/Scholarships>.

The **Eric Delson Memorial Scholarship**, valued at \$2,500, will be awarded to three high school seniors with bleeding disorders who are planning to enroll in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited two or four year college, university or vocational-technical school in the United States. Interested students must complete an application and send it together with a current high school transcript. For an application, call 1-866-792-2731 or visit http://www.caremark.com/portal/asset/Hemophilia_Scholarship.pdf. Applications are available in January of each year with a July 1 deadline.

The National Academy of Engineering (NAE) has officially launched a new *EngineerGirl* website along with the 13th annual **EngineerGirl Essay Contest**. The contest is entitled, “Engineering: Essential to Our Health,” and it can be found on the new website (EngineerGirl.org). Students are encouraged to write about the role of engineering in helping to prevent and treat the most deadly conditions in the world today. Participation in the contest is open to **both girls and boys** in grades 3-12 and submissions must be entered by 6:00 pm (EST) on **February 1, 2017**. All winning entries will be published on the *EngineerGirl* website and winners will receive cash prizes: first place winners \$500, second place winners \$250, third place winners \$100. In your own words describe **ONE** technology used in a sport that you enjoy, and tell how different types of engineers contributed to its design and manufacture.

Explain why the technology was developed (What problem were the engineers trying to solve?). Explain the constraints engineers faced in developing a solution and why specific design choices were made (i.e., Would adding functionality make it too big or too fragile or would a stronger design be too expensive?). Describe the design process that engineers will use to improve the technology in the future. Include details about how different engineering disciplines may be involved in that process. **No more than 1500 words.** Submit an essay that meets the contest description through the **Online Submission Form**.

The **Google Lime Scholarship Program** helps students with disabilities pursue their goal of higher education. Eligible students must have a disability and **plan to pursue a degree in the field of computer science and technology**. A student is eligible to apply if they have a long-term disability that impacts one or more daily activities. The disability can be outwardly visible or not visible, such as ADD, Dyslexia, and other medical conditions. Students must plan to enroll full-time in an accredited college or university in the U.S. or Canada. To apply, students must submit a completed application, transcripts, two letters of recommendation and also answer three essay questions. In addition to the scholarship, students will be able to attend the Google Scholars' Retreat in the summer. **The deadline for this scholarship is Sunday, December 4, 2016, and the award amount is \$10,000.** For more details, visit www.google.com/edu/students/the-google-lime-scholarship/

Jagannathan Scholarships[Administered by the North Carolina State Education Assistance Authority]. Applicants must be a graduating senior planning to enroll as college freshmen in a full-time degree program at one of the constituent institutions of The University of North Carolina. Recipients are selected on the basis of (1) academic achievement, (2) financial need, (3) extracurricular activities and (4) evidence of leadership. To apply, students must first set up an account on CFNC at www.cfnc.org. Students will then complete the Jagannathan Scholarship Application available online at www.cfnc.org/jag in January. CSS Profile required. **Broughton may nominate one student. February 1 deadline.**

Mas Family Scholarships offer scholarship awards to both undergraduate and graduate students of **Cuban descent**. Eligible fields of study include business, communications, economics, engineering, international relations and journalism. The scholarships are awarded to students who demonstrate financial need and have a grade point average of 3.5 or above. Applicants will also be required to write a 1,000 word essay on a specified topic. Applications will be judged on academic performance as well as community involvement. **The deadline for this scholarship is January 9, 2017, and the award amount is usually \$10,000.** For more details, visit www.massscholarships.org/.

Moulton-Farnsworth Scholarship Program. This scholarship is sponsored by the Attention Deficit Disorder Association. This scholarship program is for students who have "found ways to meet the challenges of ADHD in order to succeed." To be eligible for this scholarship, students must be enrolled or accepted to an accredited **undergraduate college or university**. As the aforementioned descriptive implied, students must have been diagnosed with ADHD by a psychiatrist or other mental health professional. **Applicants must submit an application for approval no later than March 15th including two reference letters supporting the application for the scholarship from teacher, clergy, physician, therapist, etc.** Applications are available online at http://c.ymcdn.com/sites/www.add.org/resource/resmgr/docs/the_moulton-farnsworth_schol.pdf. **Scholarship recipients will be notified by May 31st each year.** Payments will be made directly to the college specified on behalf of the student.\

National Commission for Cooperative Education will award 155 merit co-op scholarships, totaling \$4 Million. To be eligible, a student must have a 3.5+ GPA apply and be accepted at one of the following 8 Colleges & Universities: **Johnson & Wales University, Rochester Institute of Technology, University of Toledo, Drexel University, Kettering University, Pace University, University of Cincinnati, Wentworth Institute of Technology.** Deadline for submitting application and essay is February 15, 2016. Early submission is strongly encouraged. For more information and an application go online at www.co-op.edu. Also information can be found on Facebook [WACEINC] and Twitter [WACE_INC].

National High School Journalist of the Year Scholarship. This is a scholarship sponsored by the Journalism Education Association that recognizes the nation's top high school journalists. High school seniors planning to major in journalism in college may apply. Applying students must have a grade point average of 3.0 and have participated in journalism in high school for at least two years. Students compete at the state level, and winners at the state level go on to compete at the national level. The top prize is a \$5,000 scholarship, and scholarships of \$2,000 each go to runners-up. **The deadline for this scholarship is February 15, and the award amount is usually \$2,000 - \$5,000.** For more details, visit www.jea.org/home/awards-honors/journalist-of-the-year/

National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Scholarships. The NSDAR awards multiple scholarships to students showing dedication to the pursuit of degrees in diverse disciplines including history, law, nursing, and education. All applicants must be citizens of the United States and must attend or plan to attend an accredited college or university in the United States. DAR chapter sponsorship is not required; however, a chapter or state chairman may work with the applicant to put the information together. Applications are available online at http://www.dar.org/natsociety/edout_scholar.cfm. All applications must be received by February 10.

North Carolina Hispanic College Fund. The fund, established by the North Carolina Society of Hispanic Professionals, awards annual scholarships worth between \$500 and \$2,500. Scholarship recipients are recent graduates of NC high schools who are of Hispanic/Latino backgrounds. Applicants must have a 2.5+ GPA and planning to enroll in a degree program at a community college or a 2- or 4-year college/university. Applications are available online at <http://thencshp.org/programs/nc-hispanic-college-fund>. **January 15, 2017** deadline.

North Carolina Motherless Daughters Scholarship. This local scholarship is funded by the Ruby and Kendrel Scholarship Fund, which was created in memory of the SHERo Incorporated founders' mothers –Ruby Benston & Kendrl Ross. The scholarship is open to young North Carolina women who have had the unfortunate loss of their mother. There are two scholarship available for high school seniors. Each scholarship is renewable up to four years and is in the amount of \$2,000 per semester. Applicants must have a 3.0+ GPA. To apply, go online at www.sheroinc.org/scholarships. Deadline: February, 2017.

Odenza Marketing Group Volunteer Award. To be eligible for the Odenza Marketing Group Volunteer Award an applicant must be between the ages of 16 and 22, possess a GPA of 2.5 or higher, and must have contributed at least 50 hours of volunteer service within his/her community over the last 12 months. To apply, visit <http://www.studentscholarships.org/college.php>. Deadline: December 30, 2016.

Our Family for Families First Foundation. The Foundation awards ten \$50,000 4-year scholarships to high school seniors who have a parent who is an active-duty Service Member stationed at Fort Meade, MD; **Fort Bragg, NC;** Fort Polk, LA; Fort Rucker, AL; Fort Riley, KS; Fort Sill, OK; or Aberdeen Proving Ground, MD. Applicants do not have to live in a Picerne Housing Home to be eligible. Application are available online at www.ourfamilyfoundation.org in November and must be submitted by February. Deadline: February, 2017.

Point Foundation Scholarship Program is open to high school seniors as well as college undergraduate and graduate students. Students who qualify must be academic high performers and active in the LGBTQ community. Up to 34 scholarships are awarded each year, and the scholarship is renewable. To qualify, students must have excellent grades, demonstrated leadership skills and a passion for improving the world. They must be full-time students at a U.S. accredited four-year college or university. Each applicant must complete an essay. From all applications, semi-finalists are selected, and finalists are chosen to receive scholarships. Eligible students must show financial need and a strong desire to make a difference in their communities and their professional lives. They must demonstrate their active role in the LGBTQ community (students do not need to self-identify with the LGBTQ community to qualify). All students attending U.S. schools may apply regardless of their citizenship. Point Foundation is a non-profit organization that was established in 2001. Their mission is to help LGBTQ students achieve their higher education and career goals. The organization is dedicated to helping LGBTQ students become successful leaders despite the obstacles they have overcome. **The deadline for Part I of this scholarship is January**

30, 2017 and for Part II is February 2, and the award amount is usually \$10,000. For more details, visit www.pointfoundation.org/OnlineApplicationInfo

Rise Scholarship Foundation Scholarship. Rise stands for Rewarding Individual Success in Education. The aim of this scholarship is to provide financial assistance to students with learning disabilities. To be eligible for this scholarship, students must be a high school senior who is planning on going to a college or university next year (the scholarship website asks students to have submitted their college applications prior to applying). As this scholarship aims to help students with learning disabilities, students **must have a documented LD** (a diagnosis of ADD or ADHD does not qualify a student). To be eligible, students must also have a minimum of a 2.5 GPA (on a 4.0 scale). Additionally, students must submit a letter of recommendation (from a teacher, guidance counselor, or principal) and a high school transcript. The entire scholarship application can be [found online](http://risescholarshipfoundation.org/rise-award/) at <http://risescholarshipfoundation.org/rise-award/>, and includes a few short essays. The deadline for this scholarship is **January 31, 2017!** If you have any questions feel free to e-mail info@risescholarshipfoundation.org.

The **Spirit of Anne Frank Scholarships** are given out each year to students who have proven themselves exceptional leaders in their communities. This leadership is exhibited in their desire and drive to combat intolerance, prejudice and injustice. The work and dedication shown by applicants should be at such a level to enact lasting change, such as: helping to change legislation, starting or running a non-profit, and writing books or creating documentaries to bring awareness to issues in their communities. Students can apply for our Spirit of Anne Frank Scholarship Awards, which are available to high school seniors who will be attending a four year college in the Fall of 2015. One winner will receive The Leah and Edward Frankel \$10,000 scholarship, to be evenly divided throughout the four years of their college education. A second winner will receive a one-time \$5,000 scholarship from ING. Additional runners up will receive a one-time stipend towards their college education. All winners will attend our Annual Spirit of Anne Frank Awards Gala held in June 2015 and will showcase a video of their work. **The application process opens on November 1st.** Applicants must submit a completed application, two letters of recommendation and a personal essay. To apply, visit <http://www.annefrank.com/fileadmin/safa/categories.html>.

Sunflower Initiative Scholarship Program's Harriet Fitzgerald Scholarship will provide a highly motivated young woman who is passionate about learning and eager to attend a woman's college with a scholarship to a woman's college in the United States or Canada. She must possess a stellar high school record, strong references, and a desire to make a contribution to society, as well as a strong sense of self. For more information and to apply, go online at www.thesunflowerinitiative.com. Interested students should mail their completed applications (including all material cited above), postmarked on or before February 1, 2017.

Trey Cheek Short Story Writing Contest. The contest was established in 2005 in honor of Trey Cheek, a 1990 Broughton graduate. Broughton seniors may enter one short story of 3,000 words or less. A \$1,500 award will be given for the best story. Stories and entry forms should be electronically submitted on www.TreyCheek.com. February deadline.

Unigo.com Top Ten List Scholarship. The \$1,500 Top Ten List Scholarship is awarded to one student yearly who best responds [in 250 words or less] to the following online topic: "Create a Top Ten List of the top ten reasons you should get this scholarship." Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents and must have completed a scholarship search profile online at <https://www.scholarshipexperts.com/scholarships/our-scholarships/top-ten-list-scholarship>. Application deadline is December 31.

Varsity Tutors holds a monthly \$1,000 college scholarship contest where students write an essay in response to a monthly prompt. Entries are reviewed by Varsity Tutors at the end of the month and one winner is subsequently chosen to receive the \$1,000 college scholarship. Interested students can enter the contest here: <http://www.varsitytutors.com/college-scholarship>

Vegetarian Resource Group College Scholarships. The Vegetarian Resource Group College Scholarships awards two \$5,000 scholarships each year to graduating high school seniors who are vegetarians and who promote vegetarianism at their schools and in their communities. Students must be active supporters of a vegetarian diet and life style; vegetarians do not eat meat, fish or fowl. Students will be asked to submit documentation of their activities in the form of news stories, photographs and other information that will support their promotional activities in support of vegetarianism. In addition, eligible students will need to submit three letters of recommendation and transcripts of their grades. Students may use the scholarship money at any U.S. college or university. The Vegetarian Resource Group is a non-profit organization located in Baltimore, Maryland. Its mission is to educate the public on the health benefits of vegetarianism and to encourage healthy changes in communities as well as school and the workplace. **The deadline for this scholarship is February 20, 2017, and the award amount is \$5,000. For more details, visit www.vrg.org/student/scholar.htm**

Veterans of Foreign Wars' Scout of the Year Scholarships. Annually, the VFW recognizes four individuals: Eagle Scouts/Girl Scout Gold Awards recipients, Venture Silver Award recipients and Sea Scout Quartermasters who have risen above their peers in exemplifying the exceptional qualities of that rank with the following: \$5,000 1st place scholarship; \$3,000 2nd place scholarship; and \$1,000 3rd place scholarship. A Scout may enter through only one VFW Post. A local Post can be identified by zip code at www.vfw.org. Applications must be turned in to the Post by March 1. Forms available online at <http://www.vfw.org/Scout/>.

The **Walmart Dependent Scholarship** is a \$13,000 scholarship paid out over four years. Applicants must be dependents of Walmart and Sam's Club associates, have at least a 2.0 GPA and prove financial need. The application period opens January 3, 2017, and ends March 15, 2017. For more information and an application, go online at <http://walmartstores.com/CommunityGiving/8736.aspx>.

The **Woman's Club of Raleigh** offers the Ann Collins Scholarship, the Helen Graham Scholarship, and the Lois Fisher Scholarship valued at \$1,000 each to public school high school seniors who plan to attend a North Carolina college or university. Priority is given to candidates who attend Athens Drive, Broughton, Enloe, Southeast or Wakefield High School. Applications are available in the Guidance Resource Center. Deadline: First Wednesday in March [3-1-17]. The Scholarship Committee announces the winners the second Wednesday in May. The money is sent to the colleges during the summer for the following school year.

Other Scholarship Links

There are hundreds of independent scholarship search engines on the internet, some of them more reliable and legitimate than others. Students should not have to pay for a scholarship search or to apply for a scholarship, though they may have to "register" with an email address. Here are a few reputable search engines.

Log onto www.cfnc.org. Select Dark Green "Pay" tab. Click on Grants & Scholarships. Scroll down to "Tools." Click on "Scholarship Search." Search by Program Basis [Need Based, Merit Based, Other Based] or Program Type [Scholarship & Grants, Scholarships & Loans, Other].

www.collegeboard.org – Covers everything: all U.S. colleges, PSAT & SAT, test prep.

www.fastweb.com – Free scholarship search listing 1.5 million scholarships worth more than \$3.4 billion. Students who complete the optional questions in the profile match about twice as many scholarships, on average, as students who answer only the required questions.

www.college-scholarships.com/free_scholarship_searches.htm - lists and links to more than 60 no-cost scholarship websites

www.BlackExcel.org – A great resource for underrepresented students [students of color, women, first generation college students] and a list of over 200 scholarships with a variety of opportunities.

www.scholarships360.org – Free scholarship search

www.meritaid.com – Scholarship search

<http://schoolsoup.com/scholarship-directory> - Free scholarship search where students can quickly and easily browse through scholarships by a variety of categories (Major, Athletics, Religion, Disability, State, College, etc).

www.studentaid.ed.gov – U.S. Department of Education’s site for free information on funding post-secondary school education

www.finaid.org – Guide to financial aid

http://youth.foundationcenter.org/youth_scholarships.html - Scholarships for youth philanthropy & community service

www.uncf.org – United Negro College Fund [Click on “For Students”]

<http://www.latinocollegedollars.org> – Scholarships for Latino students

<http://www.knowhow2go.org> – College planning, financial aid

<http://www.maldef.org/pdf/Scholarships.pdf> - Mexican American Legal Defense & Educational Fund

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