<u>Wake Young Women's Leadership Academy Scholarship Bulletin – March 2017</u> <u>Katie di Carlo, Dean of Students</u> <u>WYWLA School Code: 343229</u>

- Seniors, please report ALL received scholarships through <u>this link</u>. Please report your college acceptances through <u>this link</u>.
- SCAM Alert: A company called College Level Exam is targeting high school students. They are selling a DVD claiming to assist with financial aid and scholarships, as well as college entrance applications. Families are being charged a large sum of money for services that we provide for free.
- **FAFSA:** Graduating seniors and parents can now access the FAFSA at http://fafsa.ed.gov. Before you can complete the FAFSA, students and parents will need to create a FSA ID at http://fsaid.ed.gov. We encourage all students attending college, regardless their financial situation, to complete the **FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) with their parents. This is the main avenue through which the federal and state government distributes grants, work-study opportunities, and loans.
- WYWLA Financial Aid Counselor Amy Malasky: If you would like to meet with our financial aid counselor, Amy Malasky, please email her at amalasky@wcpss.net to schedule an appointment.
- **HBCU College Applications:** Seniors can submit up to 43 applications to Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) and pay only one application fee. Visit <u>www.commonblackcollegeapp.com</u> for more information and to view participating schools.
- As you receive scholarship awards, please bring documentation to Mrs. di Carlo so that we can recognize and celebrate you at the end of the school year!
- Other excellent sources of scholarship and college information include <u>www.fastweb.com</u>; <u>www.cfnc.org</u>; <u>www.collegeboard.com</u>; <u>www.scholarshipplus.com/wake</u>; <u>www.scholarships.com</u>; <u>www.finaid.org</u>; <u>www.studentaid.ed.gov</u>; <u>www.studentscholarships.org</u> and the financial aid/scholarship web pages of the individual universities in which you are interested.

<u>Always Up Scholarship</u>: This is \$2500 scholarship opportunity for a graduating senior with a minimum 2.5 GPA. Applicants must plan to attend a four year college or university in the fall of 2017. The Southeast Raleigh Assembly is looking for 20 Wake County seniors to apply for this scholarship. To begin the application process, you must contact Quintin Murphy by March 10th at <u>quintin.murphy@southeastraleigh.org</u>.

Better Business Bureau serving Eastern North Carolina Torch Scholarship: \$5000 first prize scholarship and several smaller monetary awards recognizing college bound juniors, seniors and undergraduate students who personify high ethics as demonstrated through leadership, community service, personal integrity and academic excellence. Students must complete an application, short essay and have a recommendation from a BBB Accredited Business. This is only open to students who reside within BBB's 33 county service area (which includes Wake County). Completed applications must be received by April 3rd, 2017. More information and application packets are available at bbbscholarship.org.

<u>Couch Oil Cares Scholarship:</u> \$1000 scholarships will be awarded to 4 seniors in Raleigh-Durham and surrounding area who have been accepted to 2 or 4 year colleges. Applications must be postmarked no later than July 15, 2017. Application involves letter of recommendation, resume and essays. Details can be found at https://www.couchoilcompany.com/about/couch-oil-cares/.

<u>Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student Scholarship</u>: Any high school senior who is a US citizen is eligible to apply for this scholarship. Students will be assessed on academics, community service, honors and awards, leadership and extracurricular activities, and an essay. Scholarships will range in value from \$4000 -

\$60,000. Applications must be submitted to the Elks Lodge nearest your home and are available at www.elks.org/enf/scholars

James Hedrick Memorial Scholarship: This is a \$1,000 - \$5,000 scholarship opportunity offered by the Wake County PTA. This is an opportunity for students who are interested in pursuing a career in education and have a desire to serve as an athletic coach as well. Applications can be accessed at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HedrickScholarship2017 and are due April 16th.

Joseph Dooley Scholarship: This is a \$500 scholarship opportunity who plan to attend a four year college or university. Applications are due March 15th and can be found at <u>http://josephdooleylaw.com/scholarship-application-for-students/</u>

<u>Maude McInnes Extension and Community Educational Fund Scholarship</u>: This is a \$500 scholarship opportunity for a Wake County senior who has a 2.5 minimum GPA. Special consideration will be given to applicants seeking careers in family consumer science or related fields. Applications are due April 7th. You can view a copy of the application through <u>this link</u>.

<u>North Carolina Central University (NCCU) Wake County Alumni Association Scholarship</u>: This is a scholarship opportunity for Wake County residents who plan to attend NC Central. Applicants must have a minimum 2.5 GPA and SAT or equivalent test score of 900 and above. Financial need is not the primary criteria in determining awards recipients. Applications can be found at <u>http://www.nccuraleighwake.org/pdf/NCCURaleigh_AnnualScholarshipApplicationPackage.pdf</u> and are due

April 16th. You can also email Martha Kearney at <u>mkearney489@gmail.com</u> for more information.

North Carolina Central University National Alumni Association Scholarship: This is a full four year scholarship opportunity for students who plan to NC Central in the fall. Applicants must have at least a 3.0 weighted GPA. Applications can be found at <u>www.nccualumni.org</u> under the "Scholarships and Awards" section and are due March 15th.

Optimist Club of Raleigh Scholarship: One \$2,500 and one \$1,500 scholarship for high school seniors in Wake County. Consideration will be based on academic and extra-curricular accomplishments and level of community involvement. These scholarship can be used at any accredited university, college or trade/vocational school. Applications available at http://www.raleigh-optimist.org/scholarships.html . Completed applications have to be reviewed and initialed by Mrs. di Carlo. Applicants are responsible for mailing and should allow time to have them postmarked by March 28th.

Phi Delta Kappa Prospective Educator Scholarships: Future educators should visit the PDK site at http://pdkintl.org/programs-resources/scholarships-awards/prospectiveeducator-scholarships/ to learn about over 30 national scholarships. This is a list of multiple scholarships including special opportunities for prospective teachers with financial need, males entering education field, future journalism or music education majors etc. Deadline April 2, 2017.

Raleigh Jaycees Scholarship: This is a \$1000 scholarship opportunity for students who are planning to enroll in either a two or four year college. Eligibility criteria include: maintenance of a B or better average; participation and leadership in community service activities; recommendation by an administrator, counselor, teacher, employer, or community service supervisor, and submission of a complete application by May 31, 2017. Applications can be found at http://www.raleighjaycees.org/scholarship-info/.

Robert N Styres Scholarship: This is a renewable scholarship (up to \$4000 per year for 4 years) sponsored by the Rotary Club of the Capital City. While academic achievement is important it is not necessarily intended for a student with the highest GPA. Consideration is given to students with average to good grades who are hard workers and who may also have overcome adversity along the way. WYWLA is able to nominate one student for this scholarship. If you wish to be considered please complete the application posted on the Senior Blog and return it with a letter of recommendation, and a letter or statement detailing your desire and need for the scholarship to Mrs. di Carlo by 2:30 pm on Friday, April 7th. Late applications will not be accepted.

<u>State Employees Credit Union "People Helping People" Scholarship</u>: SECU gives WYWLA the opportunity to present one graduating senior with a \$5,000 scholarship. Applicants must have a minimum 2.5 unweighted GPA. Applicants must plan to attend one of the 16 UNC system schools. Complete details and a copy of the application can be found on the WYWLA Senior Blog.

SEANC Scholarship Program: This is a scholarship opportunity for students with parents who are members of SEANC (State Employees Association of North Carolina). Scholarship applications are available through the following link. Students can apply on the basis of merit or financial need. Applications are due April 15 and must be returned to the scholarship chairperson of the SEANC district of which parent is a member. http://www.seanc.org/membership/scholarship/

<u>Triangle Sons of Italy Scholarship</u>: This is a \$750 scholarship opportunity for Italian American students (at least 1/8 Italian) residing in the immediate Triangle area. Applications are due April 20th and can be found at <u>http://www.trianglesonsofitaly.org/scholarships/</u>.

<u>Wake Electric Scholarships</u>: Wake Electric is offering a \$2000 Fred Alford Memorial Scholarship and 16 \$1250 Touchstone Energy Scholarships. Applicants for the Alford Memorial Scholarships must be a child of a Wake Electric member or live in a home served by Wake Electric and pursue a four year degree at a NC college or university. Applications are available at <u>http://wemc.com/scholarships/</u> and are due March 15th.

<u>Western Wake Alumnae Scholarship</u>: This is a scholarship opportunity for students who live in Apex, Cary, Fuquay-Varina, Garner, Holly Springs and Morrisville. Applicants must submit verification of 50 community service hours from this school year and a total of 100 community service hours over the course of their high school career. The scholarship application can be found on the WYWLA Senior Blog.

WYWLA PTSA Scholarship: This is a \$500 scholarship opportunity for one WYWLA graduating senior. The application is posted on the WYWLA Senior Blog. Applications are due April 25th.

The financial aid/scholarship websites for a number of North and South Carolina universities are listed below. These websites provide valuable information on university specific merit and need-based scholarships and each university's financial aid process:

- Appalachian State University: <u>http://www.admissions.appstate.edu/scholarships/index.html</u>
- Campbell University: <u>http://www.campbell.edu/student-services/financial-aid/endowed-scholarships/</u>
- Clemson University: <u>http://www.clemson.edu/financial-aid/</u>
- Duke University: <u>http://dukefinancialaid.duke.edu/</u>
- East Carolina University: <u>http://www.ecu.edu/financial/</u>
- Elon University: <u>http://www.elon.edu/e-web/admissions/financialaid/</u>
- High Point University: <u>http://www.highpoint.edu/financialplanning/</u>

- Meredith College: <u>http://www.meredith.edu/financial_assistance</u>
- North Carolina A&T University: http://www.ncat.edu/~finaid/
- North Carolina Central University: <u>http://www.nccu.edu/admissionsandaid/scholarshipandaid/index.cfm</u>
- North Carolina State University: <u>http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/financial_aid/</u>
- Saint Augustine's University: <u>http://admissions.st-aug.edu/component/com_sobipro/Itemid,220/sid,54/</u>
- UNC-Asheville: <u>http://www.unca.edu/financialaid/</u>
- UNC-Chapel Hill: <u>http://studentaid.unc.edu/</u>
- UNC-Charlotte: <u>http://finaid.uncc.edu/</u>
- UNC-Greensboro: <u>http://fia.uncg.edu/</u>
- UNC-Wilmington: <u>http://www.uncw.edu/finaid/</u>
- University of South Carolina: <u>http://www.sc.edu/financialaid/</u>
- Western Carolina University: <u>http://www.wcu.edu/current-students/financial-aid-office/</u>