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2023-2024 Scholarship List

Local Scholarship	Description	Deadline
The Biletnikoff Award	<p>Scholarship Value: Scholarship grants range from \$7,500 to \$14,000 per student.</p> <p>Created and sponsored by the Tallahassee Quarterback Club Foundation, Inc. The Biletnikoff Awards Calls for Scholarship Applications from High School Seniors in the North Florida Counties of Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Suwannee, and Wakulla. At least 15 scholarships are awarded annually, with the aggregate total over the history of the program at over 300. The Foundation will review any application that is postmarked on or before February 19, 2024. The Foundation will award a substantial amount in benefits for 2024 graduating seniors for college, university, and vocational school scholarships. The scholarships may be used at any college, university, or vocational school in the United States.</p> <p>Scholarship candidates must have overcome a significant mental, physical, emotional, or environmental challenge to achieve at the highest academic and extracurricular (including community) activities levels. The extracurricular achievement does not require playing a sport, although sports participation does qualify for the extracurricular requirement. More information regarding the scholarships, including the application, can be found online at https://biletnikoffaward.com/about-scholarships/</p> <p>A slide show explaining the scholarship program and application can be viewed here: https://biletnikoffaward.com/wp-</p>	February 19, 2024

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Florida State University College of Medicine Summer Institute	<p>Want a Mini-Medical School Experience? Open to students who have completed their sophomore or junior year of high school for an opportunity to Learn about Premedical Advising and Outreach, Learn from College of Medicine Faculty, Interact with Medical Students, Participate in Problem Based Learning Activities, Attend College Preparatory Workshops, Intro to Anatomy and Anatomy Lab Tour, Physician Shadowing, and Vital Signs and CPR Training. This is a fee based camp of \$1400, but limited scholarships are available.</p> <p>There are three sessions between June and July. (Sarasota Scholarships Available during Session 1: June 9-14, 2024) For more information see Mrs. V. Williams in the front office or email shaytoria.peeples@med.fsu.edu or call 850-644-1843. To apply visit: https://med.fsu.edu/outreach/summer-institute</p>	February 22, 2024
FL/GA HD Distinguished Ladies Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$250.00 The FL/GA HD Distinguished Ladies, seeks to identify graduating high school seniors who have excelled academically and have positively impacted the community. Scholarship recipients will receive a one-time award to be used at a university, college, community college, or vocational school of their choice towards the cost of tuition, fees, books, room and board, computers, general living expenses, and other college expenses. The amount to be awarded is \$250.00. The chosen recipient will be notified by April 15, 2024. For eligibility requirements and application, see Mrs. V. Williams in the front office, Mr. Hankerson, or a Senior English teacher.</p>	March 1, 2024

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<p>Mercedes Hall Thomas Educational Scholarship</p>	<p>Scholarship Value: \$1,000</p> <p>This scholarship was created in memory of our beloved mother, Mercedes Hall Thomas. Our family is committed to continuing her legacy of blessing others in the community. The scholarship is awarded to a student who attends James S. Rickards High School and embodies the principals community involvement, leadership, and academic achievement. The scholarship will be awarded to a student that has been accepted and attends either Florida A&M University, Florida State University or Tallahassee Community College. For an application and more information, please contact Mrs. V. Williams in the front office, Mr. Hankerson in AVID, or a Senior English Teacher.</p>	<p>March 31, 2024</p>
<p>Florida A & M University (FAMU) School of the Environment Scholarships</p>	<p>Our department has successfully secured funding to provide scholarships for up to 70 incoming freshman students who meet specific criteria. These scholarships are aimed at supporting students who demonstrate exceptional promise in environmental science and related fields. The eligibility criteria are as follows: 1.) A minimum GPA of 3.5, 2)An SAT score of 550 in Math and 530 in Evidenced-Based Reading & Writing, OR an ACT score of 23 in Math, 22 in Reading, and 19 in English. 3)Aspiring to pursue a college degree in areas such as environmental policy and risk management, coastal and marine ecosystems, aquatic and terrestrial ecology, environmental microbiology, energy, water, food systems, and geospatial science.</p> <p>We invite all interested and eligible students to begin their application process by visiting the following link: https://applyweb.com/famu/index.ftl The application window is now open and will remain open until April 2024.</p> <p>*See Mrs. V. Williams in the front office or Mr. Hankerson for other accompanying documents and information.</p>	<p>April 2024</p>

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Variety of Scholarships	*See Mrs. V. Williams in the front office to access a scholarship guide titled, The Ultimate Scholarship Book 2023 . Scholarships are listed by school, subjects, challenges, topics, and more.	Varies
Florida Shines	General information about scholarships that may be available at Paying for College in Florida Florida Education Costs (floridashines.org)	Varies
Full Sail University Scholarships	We know that funding your education is a substantial investment. That's why Full Sail University offers a variety of scholarships for qualified students. Our scholarship guide is designed to help you evaluate your financial options by exploring scholarships that may be available to you, as well as the details and eligibility requirements applicable to each scholarship. https://www.fullsail.edu/admissions/scholarships	Varies
Branch Out Scholarship	Scholarship Value: \$2, 000 Bisnar Chase Personal Injury Lawyers is hosting a bi-yearly scholarship giving \$1,000 to a student who demonstrates through their personal statements that they are committed to expanding their education and using their education to improve their communities. Bisnar Chase will choose one winner. Upon announcing the winner, Bisnar Chase will also give \$500 to the 501c3 charitable organization of the winner's choice. For more information visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/24232/branch-out-scholarship	December 15, 2023

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Mindscape Big Picture Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$10,000</p> <p>The universe is extraordinarily complex, but it is also understandable. It is crucially important that we support young people who are passionate about working to understand it better.</p> <p>Sean Carroll is a physicist, philosopher, and host of the Mindscape podcast. Mindscape is dedicated to the idea that the quest to understand our world, from a wide variety of angles, is one of the most important of all human activities.</p> <p>The Mindscape Big Picture Scholarship was created to provide financial support for those who are looking to pursue higher education to understand how the world works.</p> <p>This scholarship is open to all students who have a deep curiosity in studying the universe for its own sake—whether that be pursuing studies in physics, philosophy, biology, mathematics, literature, or any other field that seeks better understanding of our existence—and will seek to lift up those from underrepresented communities in those fields, and first-generation college students. For more information visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/20662/mindscape-big-picture-scholarship</p>	December 15, 2023
NACME Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$5,000</p> <p>NACME partners with like-minded entities to provide scholarships, resources, and opportunities for high-achieving, underrepresented minority college students pursuing careers in engineering and computer science.</p> <p>NACME is responsible for over \$5 million in scholarships awarded annually to underrepresented minority (URM) students. NACME supports approximately 1,000 underrepresented minority engineering and computer students annually. For more information visit:</p>	December 16, 2023

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	https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/9612/nacme-scholarships	
ScholarshipOwl No Essay Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$1,000</p> <p>ScholarshipOwl is your source of relief from the dreaded application process. We put students on the fast-track to success by providing direct access to the scholarships they need the most. Take the hassle out of financial aid and maximize your chance at a free ride in college. No matter how much funding you need for school, we have the opportunities you're looking for. For more information visit:</p> <p>https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/19881/scholarshipowl-no-essay-scholarship</p>	December 29, 2023
Big Future Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$500/\$40,000</p> <p>The Scholarship Program is open to seniors in high school who meet the eligibility requirements. If you are an eligible student, by completing a college planning step using your College Board account, you will automatically earn a chance to win a \$500 scholarship and an additional chance to win a \$40,000 scholarship.</p> <p>There are no essay, minimum GPA, test score, or citizenship requirements. It's easy to enter scholarship drawings each month. Simply complete one of the steps before the deadline, and you'll be automatically entered to win \$40,000. For more information visit:</p> <p>https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/20593/big-future-scholarship</p>	December 31, 2023
SM Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$2,000</p> <p>The \$2,000 Sallie Mae Scholarship is only open to legal residents of the 50 United States, the District of Columbia and any US Territory age 17 or older at the time of entry, and who meet one (1) of the four (4) following eligibility requirements at the time of entry:</p>	December 31, 2023

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. A parent who currently has a child enrolled in an accredited college or university located within the United States;2. A student who is currently enrolled in an accredited college or university located within the United States;3. A parent who currently has a child enrolled as a high school senior located within the United States;4. A student who is currently enrolled as a high school junior or senior who intends to enroll in an accredited college or university located with the United States, within a year of graduating high school. To apply visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/18358/sm-scholarship	
SP Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value \$2, 500</p> <p>The SP College Scholarship program was created to help students win scholarships without the hassle of filling out paper applications and writing dozens of essays.</p> <p>To be eligible for the Scholarship you must be:</p> <p>A) At least 13 years old and enrolled or will enroll in a college or university in the US. B) A legal resident of the U.S. or Puerto Rico.</p> <p>Thus far, they have given away more than \$650,000 to students through this scholarship program. To apply visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/13400/sp-scholarship</p>	December 31, 2023
Jungle Scholar Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$2,500</p> <p>Giving back to the community is an important part of our mission here at Jungle Scout. We live and breathe our passion for entrepreneurship and ecommerce every day, and we want to inspire future leaders to do the same. Jungle Scout is excited to offer scholarships to students in the U.S. and Canada who are pursuing education in business,</p>	December 31, 2023

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	entrepreneurship, computer science, or related fields. For more information visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/16064/jungle-scholar-scholarship	
Path to Success Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$1,000</p> <p>It's true that we are shaped by our experiences growing up. We are particularly affected by those who helped raise us, whether that be a parent, an older sibling, a grandparent, a teacher, or a coach. We are very much who we are today because of the people who raised, educated, or motivated us to be the person we have grown into. Sometimes the experiences that put us on the right path happen early in life, but sometimes it takes the right person to help us find our way. Regardless, it takes more than just our own will and motivation to end up on the path to success.</p> <p>For this scholarship, Jan Dils Attorneys at Law wants to help you recognize the person that put you on your path to success. Please write about the person or people who helped you start your journey down the right road. Did they do it through example? Through encouragement? Through a lesson? How did you finally end up on your path? Our law firm wants to hear what your goals in life are and who helped you get started achieving them. For more information visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/18879/path-to-success-scholarship</p>	December 31, 2023
Power of Resilience Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$1,000</p> <p>Scott has devoted his career to advocating for the rights of insurance policyholders and fighting for them to receive what they deserve- justice in the face of terrifying situations. Since beginning his career defending insurance companies, Scott now understands the strategies that may be used to completely deny, underpay, or delay policyholders' claims.</p>	December 31, 2023

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	<p>Further, Scott knows how to stay one step ahead of the insurance companies and will fight for your rights, helping you to feel secure and alleviate the worry, fear, and pain typically associated with these situations.</p> <p>To this end, Scott has established a \$1,000 scholarship with the purpose of supporting a student. To apply, students should write an essay discussing a personal crisis and what lessons they learned from that experience both in their own personal life and in the larger community. The essay should discuss how resilience can be used to recover from a destructive situation. To apply visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/14792/power-of-resilience-scholarship</p>	
Second Chance Foundation Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$1,000</p> <p>We believe everyone deserves a second chance! You are not defined by your mistakes but by the lessons you learn from them. At The Umansky Law Firm Criminal Defense & Injury Attorneys, we are committed to giving others a second chance by helping our clients overcome their legal troubles and move forward in their lives in a positive direction.</p> <p>We want to highlight and award students who overcame hardship and received a second chance with a Second Chance Foundation Scholarship because many people go through life without being recognized for the obstacles they conquered with resiliency and gratitude. Since 2011, we have been giving out multiple \$1000 dollars Scholarships to many resilient students who have overcome adversity and grown from that experience. If you are interested in getting an education scholarship, we will ask you to write an essay about the hardships you encountered and what that second chance meant to you. This is a \$1,000 scholarship award given directly</p>	December 31, 2023

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	<p>to the student. For more information visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/20667/second-chance-foundation-scholarship</p>	
Writers of the Future Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$5,000 The most enduring and influential contest in the history of SF and Fantasy. L. Ron Hubbard's Writers of the Future Contest is an opportunity for new writers of science fiction and fantasy to have their work judged by some of the masters in the field and discovered by a wide audience. No entry fee is required and entrants retain all publication rights. For more information visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/10029/writers-of-the-future-scholarship</p>	December 31, 2023
Be Bold Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$25,000 The "Be Bold" Scholarship is a no-essay scholarship that will be awarded to the applicant with the boldest profile. It takes less than 2 minutes to apply. To us, boldest does not mean "best", or "most accomplished". Being bold means being: A) Earnest, B) Determined, C) Moving The scholarship will be awarded to the student whose profile is most bold, according to these characteristics. Furthermore, the scholarship will be unique in that it will favor students who apply earlier-who are bold and seize the day without procrastinating. To apply visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/17251/be-bold-scholarship</p>	January 1, 2024
Live Mas Scholarship Program	<p>Scholarship Value: \$25,000 The Taco Bell Foundation breaks down barriers to educate and inspire the next generation of America's leaders. Since 1992, the Taco Bell Foundation has reached more than 4 million young people across the country and has awarded more than \$110 million in Live Más Scholarships and grants to youth-serving nonprofit organizations focused on education and career readiness. For more information visit:</p>	January 3, 2024

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	https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/16235/live-mas-scholarship-program	
Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarships	<p>Scholarship Value: \$30,000</p> <p>The Jackie Robinson Foundation provides a multi-faceted experience designed to not only address the financial needs of students who aspire to attend college but to guide them through the process of higher education. For more information visit:</p> <p>https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/12039/jackie-robinson-foundation-scholarships</p>	January 10, 2024
Love Your Career Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$1,000</p> <p>Make plans now to love your career. Scott Jones, founder of JonesTshirts.com is a firm believer in the importance of loving your career. It affects every aspect of your life. Your family can see a difference when they know that you don't dread going into work everyday. You're happier and those around you are happier. It's important to start thinking about this concept early, especially while in college.</p> <p>Scott started in the T-shirt business while in high school. His brother taught him how to make tie-dye shirts and together they would take their goods to sell at Grateful Dead concerts in Las Vegas and California. 24 years later, JonesTshirts.com is a leading wholesale provider of blank T-shirts and apparel. Scott stuck with his passion of T-shirts and has made a full time career out of it. We want to hear about your passions and goals for the future! We want to know that there are others out there who share the goal of living the dream of loving what they do. To apply visit:</p> <p>https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/12097/love-your-career-scholarship</p>	January 10, 2024

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Grow Ag Leaders Scholarship	Scholarship Value: \$1,500 Grow Ag Leaders exists to make youth aware of the various career opportunities within the industry of agriculture by providing scholarships that help further their education. The Bayer Fund, a philanthropic arm of Bayer, offers \$1,500 scholarships to students pursuing a career in various sects of agriculture. For more information visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/26271/grow-ag-leaders-scholarship	January 11, 2024
Profile in Courage High School Awards	Scholarship Value: \$10,000 In Profiles in Courage, John F. Kennedy recounted the stories of eight U.S. senators who risked their careers to do what was right for the nation. These leaders demonstrated political courage by taking a stand for the public good in spite of pressure by interest groups, their political party, or even their constituents. The Profile in Courage Essay Contest challenges students to write an original and creative essay that demonstrates an understanding of political courage as described by John F. Kennedy in Profiles in Courage. For more information and eligibility for the essay contest visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/9681/profile-in-courage-high-school-awards	January 12, 2024
Washington Crossing Foundation Scholarship	Scholarship Value: \$5,000 The Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the ANNUAL NATIONAL WASHINGTON CROSSING FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS for STUDENTS COMPLETING TWELFTH (or final high school year) in 2024 who are planning careers in government service. For more information visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/10091/washington-crossing-foundation-national-scholarship-awards	January 15, 2024

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Truman D. Picard Scholarship	Scholarship Value: \$2,500 Sponsored by the Intertribal Timber Council. Dedicated to the support of Native American students pursuing a higher education in Natural Resources. For more information visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/10157/truman-d-picard-scholarship-program	January 26, 2024
Advocates Law Scholarship	Scholarship Value: \$1,000 Here at the Advocates Law, we are committed to improving ourselves and our communities. One of the best ways to do this is through continuing education. We understand that school can place a tremendous financial strain on both students and their families. To help with the costs of attending college, we are offering the Advocates Law Scholarship. Scholarship Requirements: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Follow us on one of our social media pages. Instagram, Facebook, Tiktok, or LinkedIn.• All prospective or current students enrolled in an accredited university or college, located within the United States may submit an application. For more information visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/16145/advocates-law-scholarship	January 31, 2024
Joseph M. Geisinger Scholarship	Greetings from Michigan Engineering! The College of Engineering is pleased to announce the following merit scholarship opportunity. During his lifetime, Joseph M. Geisinger created a trust fund to provide support to forward the careers of students pursuing degrees in engineering at the University of Michigan. Scholarships will be awarded to first-year students admitted to the College of Engineering at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor for 2024-2025 academic year. Recipients must be enrolled full-time at the University of Michigan and pursuing an undergraduate degree program in	February 4, 2024 11:59 pm

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	<p>engineering. Scholarship support is awarded for four years of undergraduate study or through graduation, whichever is less; annual renewal is contingent on satisfactory academic progress and maintaining a cumulative GPA of 3.0. To learn more or to apply visit:</p> <p>https://scholarships.engin.umich.edu/the-joseph-m-geisinger-scholarship-program/</p>	
Community Leaders Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$1,000</p> <p>To help students who are seeking a career in public service and who have an interest in helping others in their communities, we have created the Spencer & Associates Community Leaders Scholarship. Through this program, we provide financial assistance to college students who have demonstrated an interest in serving their communities and who are pursuing careers in criminal justice, law enforcement, or other legal fields.</p> <p>Through the Community Leaders Scholarship, our firm awards \$1000 each semester to an undergraduate or graduate student. Please see the requirements for eligibility and the instructions for applying here:</p> <p>https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/25150/community-leaders-scholarship</p>	February 6, 2024
Back and Better Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$1,000</p> <p>At Groth & Associates, Attorneys at Law, we believe people deserve a second chance. Life naturally has many ups and downs. We make mistakes but learn from them and alter our lives for the better. We all make mistakes, and as a criminal defense firm, we believe we all deserve the opportunity to learn from our actions and change for the better. As Maya Angelou once said, "I did then what I knew how to do. Now that I know better, I do better."</p>	February 28, 2024

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	<p>To support those who are determined to learn from their mistakes, we are excited to announce the 2023 Back and Better Scholarship. Through the Back and Better Scholarship, students are encouraged to answer the following prompt for the opportunity to win a \$1,000 scholarship: In 750-1,000 words, tell us about a time you received a second chance – how did you respond to this opportunity, and what valuable lesson did you learn? For more information visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/24332/back-and-better-scholarship</p>	
BMW Engineering Scholarship	<p>Scholarship Value: \$1,500</p> <p>This scholarship is provided by BMW AG in recognition of its commitment to excellence in engineering. BMW is world famous for designing and building luxury, high-performance passenger cars and motorcycles. The company is also a leader in developing and manufacturing high technology, high performance internal combustion engines.</p> <p>Applicants must demonstrate active participation in extracurricular science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) activities that take place outside the classroom (such as in clubs or in association with other organizations). For more information visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/9982/bmw-engineering-scholarship</p>	February 29, 2024

