



# Scholarships

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## ESSAY CONTESTS

**Profile In Courage:** Deadline is 9 Jan 10. \$5,000, \$1,000, x5 \$500. Essay must be about an elected official. [www.jfklibrary.org](http://www.jfklibrary.org)

**National Commission for Cooperative Education:** Deadline is 15 February 10. \$6,000. Must be accepted into NCCE Partner College. [www.co-op.edu](http://www.co-op.edu)

**First Freedom Student Competition:** Deadline is 23 November 09. \$750 to \$3,000. [www.competition.firstfreedomcenter.org](http://www.competition.firstfreedomcenter.org)

**Safety Council:** Deadline is 1 December 09. \$4,000. You or parent must be employed by a member business of the Florida safety Council. Applications are available in the Guidance Office.

**All-Ink College Scholarship:** Deadline is 31 December 09. Amounts vary. Requires a 2.5 GPA to enter. [www.all-ink.com/scholarship.html](http://www.all-ink.com/scholarship.html)

**Servin/Ellis (FLCU):** Deadline is 21 April 10. \$3,000. You or parent must be a member of the Florida Credit Union. Based upon Financial need and Academics. Applications are available in the Guidance Office.

**Ayn Rand:** Deadline is 20 March 10 for 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup>, 25 April 09 for 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> Grade contests. \$50 to \$10,000 awards. [www.aynrand.org/contest](http://www.aynrand.org/contest) then click on Find out how to enter link.

## LEADERSHIP, SERVICE, AND ACHIEVEMENT

**William J. English:** Deadline is 15 February 2010. \$3,000. Must major in computer related field in a Florida College. [www.faeds.org](http://www.faeds.org)

**Gates Millennium:** Deadline is 11 January 10. Amounts vary. Criteria are Leadership, Community Service, and Academics. Must be minority. [www.gmsp.org](http://www.gmsp.org)

**AXA Achievement Scholarship:** Deadline is 15 December 09. \$10,000 to \$25,000. Based upon lifetime achievements. [www.axa-achievement.com](http://www.axa-achievement.com)

**American Legion:** Deadlines vary. Amounts vary from \$500 to \$2,500. Offers a variety of scholarships including Eagle Scout, Descendent of American Legion Member, Veteran's Child, plus others. See Mr. Stalbaum.

## FINANCIAL NEED

**Wal-Mart:** Deadline is 20 January 10. \$1,000 per Wal-Mart Store. You are applying at the store where you submit your application. Based upon Financial need and Test Scores. This is a comparison to other applicants. [www.walmartfoundation.org/Wmstore/goodworks/scripts/education](http://www.walmartfoundation.org/Wmstore/goodworks/scripts/education)

**Florida Retired Educators Foundation:** Deadline is 15 January 10. \$500/Renewable. Must plan to be a teacher. Academics, Community Service, ACT/SAT Test Scores and Financial Need. See Mr. Stalbaum to apply.

**Blanco Foundation:** Deadline is 1 February 10. Amounts vary. Must enter Education field or Nursing, See Mr. Stalbaum.

## SCHOOL SPECIFIC

**George Jenkins – University of Miami:** Deadline is 1 December 09. Pays tuition, room and board, books and supplies, and a \$1500 stipend per semester. Must have 3.75 GPA, Community Service and Financial Need. See Mr. Stalbaum.

**Troy University:** Deadline is 15 January 09. Partial to full tuition, room and board. ACT 27-31 / 1220-1380 SAT, 3.5-3.7 GPA (unweighted) or National Merit Semifinalist. Other Scholarships with varying criteria. See Mr. Stalbaum.

**Stetson University:** Deadline to Guidance Counselor is 20 December 08. \$11,000 per academic year/renewable. 3.5 GPA, top 10% of class, ACT 28/1300 SAT. See Mr. Stalbaum.

**FSU-Service Scholar:** Deadline is 12 January 09. Amounts vary. Criteria are Community Service and attendance at FSU. [www.serve2learn.fsu.edu](http://www.serve2learn.fsu.edu)

**Presbyterian College:** Deadline is 15 Dec 08. \$30,000 to \$59,000. It is renewable annually. 3.0 GPA and 1100 SAT or 24 ACT. Must attend Presbyterian College. 1-800-960-7583 for application information.

**University of North Florida:** Deadline is 15 January 09. \$8,000 to \$16,000. Must attend University of North Florida. Criteria are 3.5 GPA and a 1200 SAT or 26 ACT. [www.unf.edu/finaid/scholarship/index.html](http://www.unf.edu/finaid/scholarship/index.html)

**VMI:** *Deadline is 15 January 09. Tuition. Must attend VMI. Based upon Leadership, Community service and Academics. Criteria are 3.6 GPA and 1200 SAT or 28 ACT. Applications are available in the Guidance Office.*

## OTHER

**Army ROTC:** Deadline is 1 December 09. Pays tuition, a monthly stipend, books and lab fees. If you get another scholarship the tuition check is in your pocket. Criteria are academics, fitness, and citizenship. Requires 2.5 GPA, 920 SAT or 19 ACT and must be willing to serve in the Army as an officer. [www.goarmy.com/rotc/scholarships.jsp](http://www.goarmy.com/rotc/scholarships.jsp)

**Plum Creek Community Scholarship:** Deadline is 23 January 09. \$1,000. Cannot have a guardian working at Plum Creek. Apply online [www.sms.scholarshipamerica.org/plumcreek](http://www.sms.scholarshipamerica.org/plumcreek)

**SAE Engineering Scholarship:** Deadline is 1 December 08. Amounts vary. Must be enrolled in an Engineering Degree Program. Criteria varies based upon the scholarship you are applying for. [www.sae.org/students/engschlr.html](http://www.sae.org/students/engschlr.html)

**Cappex.com:** College Admissions search engine that also offers scholarships. Input your data and the schools you are interested in and this web site will let you know if you qualify to attend that school. [www.cappex.com/scholarships](http://www.cappex.com/scholarships)

**Citizens Bank Scholarship search engine:** [www.citizenbank.com/edu/sholarshipsearch](http://www.citizenbank.com/edu/sholarshipsearch). Click on Resources for students and parents. Select Scholarship Search.

**FACTS.ORG:** Has a Scholarship search engine. Go to Choices Planner, Learn Tab, then Scholarship Finder. Use the Alphabetical tab list. If you build your profile first it simplifies the search process but narrowing the search to those you qualify for.

***Helpful Hints from your counselors:***

*There are many ways to have your college paid for. Scholarships are the most popular because they reward you for your hard work in High School, but there is always financial aid, grants, and student loans. Financial aid comes in a variety of forms. Many colleges grant it based upon your financial need but some are tuition assistance and some are in the form of checks (as with the student work program). Grants are one time cash awards that do not have to be paid back if the conditions of the grant are met. Student loans must be paid back, but most of them have deferred the 1<sup>st</sup> payment due until after the student graduates. Be careful though because the interest does begin accruing at acceptance of the check unless otherwise stated (as with the Military Guaranteed Student Loan).*

*The GI Bill is another popular source to pay for college because it is not dependent upon financial need or based upon high school performance. To qualify you must join an Active Branch of the military or the Reserve or National Guard. The programs vary depending upon your choice. For more information on this you may see Mr. Stalbaum or contact your local recruiter.*

*There is a scholarship website on the web that was built by a local counselor. This website is [www.sbac.edu/~stalbarl](http://www.sbac.edu/~stalbarl). This website lists many more scholarships than are on the monthly newsletter and contains hyperlinks to most of them.*

*There are several large books of other scholarships available in the Guidance department. There are thousands of scholarships listed in these books. There are also many websites you may visit. Many are categorized by your special interest. For example: Hispanic Scholarships, Science Major Scholarships, or College specific scholarships. If you see Mr. Stalbaum, he will show you how to search for these.*

*Remember that if you do not apply for Bright Futures while you are in High School (in the spring of your senior year), you will not be able to use it to pay for your college. Visit the website in your Bright Futures Brochure, and follow the instructions for application. You must apply online at that website.*

*Be careful of the many scams out there. Any agency requesting an up front fee is a scam. Be sure to research those offering money to you before you sign. Many of them have criteria and by accepting a check from them you agree to meet that requirement or suffer a penalty when they require their money back.*

***Remember: When in doubt ask your counselor.***