



AHS Scholarship Central: February 2020

For further information, see your school counselor!

Please note – the following list is NOT all-inclusive! This is only a compilation of scholarship information received by the school. Please be sure to check this list AT LEAST monthly, as new scholarships may be added! Also, remember to check with the office of financial aid at the institutions to which you are applying. There are many school-specific scholarships and grants available this way. Virtually every college has a section of their website dedicated to scholarships available at their school. If you need assistance finding this information, you can contact the school or see me for guidance.

The federal government requires the filing of a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) to consider students for aid. Many other scholarships also require this form be on file. This CANNOT be filed before October 1 but must be completed as soon as possible after that date. Please plan now by logging into www.fafsa.gov for further information.

The Gates Scholarship

The Gates Scholarship is a highly selective, last-dollar scholarship for exceptional, Pell-eligible, minority, high school seniors. Starting in 2018, the scholarship will be awarded to 300 top student leaders each year with the intent of promoting their academic excellence through college graduation, and providing them the opportunity to reach their full potential.

Eligibility requirements:

- A high school senior
- From at least one of the following ethnicities: African American, American Indian/Alaska Native*, Asian/Pacific Islander American, and/or Hispanic American
- Pell-eligible
- A US citizen, national, or permanent resident
- A minimum cumulative weighted GPA of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale

Additionally, a student must plan to enroll full-time, in a four-year degree program, at a US, accredited, not-for-profit, private or public college or university.

**For American Indian/Alaska Native, proof of tribal enrollment will be required.*

<https://www.thegatesscholarship.org/scholarship>

Will Mclean Foundation Scholarship Application

Amount: \$3,000

Deadline:

- February, 2nd 2020

Requirements:

- High School Senior
- Plan to attend a Florida School
- Have Florida Folk experiences

Description: The purpose of the foundation is to promote, in Florida, the works of Will Mclean and other Florida Artists. Skills and interests must be musically or technically oriented and related to Florida Folk Music, Florida Folk History, and/or production of materials related to Florida Folklore.

For more information and an application to send in, see Ms. Donovan in #3-116.

Golden Door Scholarship for DACA recipients.

Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) is an [American immigration policy](#) that allows some individuals with unlawful presence in the United States after being brought to the country as children to receive a renewable two-year period of [deferred action](#) from [deportation](#) and become eligible for a [work permit](#) in the U.S.

Eligibility requirements:

Seniors who will attend college in the fall of 2020, who are interested in pursuing a bachelor's degree. In addition to funding, Golden Door provides 1:1 mentorship, professional development opportunities, and summer internships. They currently support 293 students and have 67 graduates who are working or pursuing a Masters or PHD. (Scholarship will also include undocumented students without DACA)

Deadline to apply: The due date for applications is **Monday, September 30th**.

Link to application: <https://www.goldendoorscholars.org/apply-now>

\$1,000 | Return 2 College Scholarship Program

Deadline: April 30

Info: Applicants must be college or adult students currently attending or planning to attend a two-year or four-year college or graduate school within the next 12 months. Students must be 17 years or older and U.S. citizens or permanent residents. The award may be used for full- or part-time study at either on-campus or online schools. Three sentence essay required on this topic: "Why are you getting your degree?" Apply through this link:

<https://www.collegexpress.com/scholarships/return-2-college-scholarship-program/2024536/>

\$500 through Law offices of Sheryl R. Rentz

Deadline: April 30

Info: Applicants must be graduating high school seniors or current college students in the United States. Students must have at least a 3.0 GPA. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents of the United States.

Apply through this link: <https://www.collegexpress.com/scholarships/key-to-a-bright-future-scholarship/5003684/>

\$1,000 | Athnet Sports Recruiting Scholarship

Deadline: June 1

Info: Applicant must be a high school senior or college student who is a current or former athlete. Essay between 400 and 500 words required on this topic: "Describe how the lessons you have learned through playing sports have positively impacted you as you pursue your college education."

Apply through this link: <https://www.collegexpress.com/scholarships/athnet-sports-recruiting-scholarship/2023883/>

The Holliday Karatinos, PLLC Scholarship Program

is designed to help high school seniors and college students who are interested in pursuing an institution of higher education. With combined scholarship grants worth \$5,000, we are excited to help students achieve their goals as we recognize the value of education as a vital foundation for the creation and fulfillment of advantageous careers.

The essay for this contest must be at least 600 words speaking about the importance of the 7th amendment in the US Constitution. First prize is \$2,500 and this contest opens on March 1st, 2020 and closes May 1st, 2020.

Click on link for eligibility and essay requirements: <https://www.helpinginjuredpeople.com/college-scholarship/>

College Board Opportunity Scholarships:

The more effort you put in, the more opportunities you have to earn a scholarship. Complete all six steps, and you're eligible to earn \$40,000. Scholarships will be awarded through monthly drawings to students who complete each action.

Eligibility requirements: <https://opportunity.collegeboard.org/about/official-rules>

1. Build Your College List: \$500

Get started by [exploring colleges](#) you're interested in. [Learn More](#)

2. Practice for the SAT: \$1,000

Use [Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy®](#) to get ready for test day. [Learn More](#)

3. Improve Your Score: \$2,000

Show how practice pays off by improving your SAT score. [Learn More](#)

4. Strengthen Your College List: \$500

Make sure your college list has a mix of academic safety, match, and reach schools. [Learn More](#)

5. Complete the FAFSA: \$1,000

Fill out the free government form to apply for financial aid. [Learn More](#)

6. Apply to Colleges: \$1,000

Apply to the schools you want to attend. [Learn More](#)

7. Complete Your Journey: \$40,000

Complete all six scholarship steps to be eligible for a \$40,000 scholarship. [Learn More](#)

Scholarship Name: OppU Achievers Scholarship

Award Amount: \$2,500

Eligibility: High school seniors, college students, graduate students; cumulative GPA of at least 3.0/4.0; U.S. citizen or resident

Deadline: Winners for the OppU Achievers Scholarship are selected four times a year, with submission deadlines on September 30, December 31, March 31, and June 30.

To Apply: Students submit a short response to the question "What makes you an achiever?"

Link to apply: <https://www.opploans.com/scholarship/>

SPECTRUM BAY NEWS 9 PROJECT WEATHER SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded once each year to seven high school seniors (from Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas and Polk counties) who excel in science. Checks will be presented by a Spectrum Bay News 9 meteorologist at the Spectrum Bay News 9 studios. The scholarship is granted as part of Spectrum Bay News 9's commitment to educating children about science and weather.

Eligibility:

- Student must have earned a minimum GPA of 3.5 on a 4-point scale.
- Be a student in a public, private, home or parochial school in grade 12 (or equivalent in their final year of high school) as of the date of entry.

Deadline: applications must be received by Monday, January 6, 2020.

Click on links for official rules, application and essay form.

[Project Weather Information 2020](#)

[Project Weather Application 2020](#)

[Project Weather Essay](#)

[Project Weather Official Rules](#)

QUEST BRIDGE NATIONAL COLLEGE MATCH:

Through the National College Match, high achieving, low-income students can receive guaranteed full four-year scholarships to 40 of the nation's best colleges, including Stanford, Yale, MIT, Amherst, and Duke.

Who should apply: high-achieving high school seniors who exhibit strong personal character and come from households earning less than \$65,000 annually, (for a typical family of 4), with minimal assets. Most National College Match Finalists are in the top 5-10% of their class and are eligible for their school's free or reduced lunch.

Application: due on September 26, 2019.

To find out if you are eligible, visit www.questbridge.org

ACT SCHOLARSHIP GIVEAWAY

Dream Big! Win Big!

Enter for your chance to win a \$15,000 Scholarship + \$5,000 Tech Package in the ACT Scholarship Giveaway!

Eligible sophomores, juniors and seniors who register for the ACT® test between 9.3.2019 and 6.26.2020 are automatically entered for a chance to win. It's that easy!

No purchase necessary or ACT test registration necessary. Sweepstakes subject in all respects to complete official rules.* See [Official Rules](#) for eligibility requirements, entry details, and instructions (including alternate entry instructions).

FULL SAIL UNIVERSITY: THE EMERGING TECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP

The Emerging Technology Scholarship program will award a full-tuition scholarship to eligible high school juniors and seniors in Florida pursuing select Full Sail University degree programs. Applicants will need to adhere to the eligibility criteria and strict deadlines outlined in Sections C and D. Finalists will be invited to the Full Sail University campus to participate in a whiteboard problem-solving competition. There will be a very limited number of scholarships awarded to the finalists selected at this on-campus competition.

- Graduate from a Florida high school in 2020 or 2021 (Florida 2020 or 2021 homeschool graduates are eligible to apply).
- Possess a cumulative high school GPA of 3.8 or higher when the scholarship application is submitted.
- Submit an Application for Admission by November 18, 2019.

For all of the info, please click on the link below.

https://www.fullsail.edu/scholarships/emerging-technology-scholarship?utm_medium=EM&mncid=&utm_source=marcomm_email&utm_campaign=BRD_emerge-tech_sch_fl_10119&mnckeyword=BRD_emergingtech_teacher_a&utm_term=BRD_emergingtech_teacher_a&affiliatecode=BRD_emerge-tech_sch_fl_10119&eventstep=input&elqTrackId=9F18F3959DF2178EF9F132B4E7163C70&elq=1b00fed993cd4891b1ee2f626045c78d&elqaid=8988&elqat=1&elqCampaignId=7353

USF KOSOVE SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP

The society is actively encouraging freshman applicants to USF to apply for the scholarship. Students who are inducted into the Kosove Society receive a scholarship, total the amount of the estimated cost of attendance. Students are also encouraged and provided funds to participate in academic conferences and fieldwork experiences, as well as study abroad opportunities in order to enhance their educational involvement and expand their horizons.

Requirements: undergraduate with a 3.5 GPA, 1250 SAT or 28 ACT.

Scholarship covers: tuition and fees (including allotted summer credit), housing and meal plans for each semester and funds for textbooks and course materials.

To apply and learn more about eligibility for the scholarship, please go to

www.usfkosovesociety.org

Anthony Oneal resources

If you visit his website, you can have access to the following resources:

- Free debt free degree scholarship search
- Free debt free degree college calculator
- Free download College prep checklists
- Free download FAFSA guide
- Free download essential college visit checklist
- Free download of 25 questions to help parents connect with their kids
- Free video series on 3 life changing lessons for teens

<https://www.anthonioneal.com/giveaway>

The Florida Poly Scholars Programs seek gifted and uniquely talented individuals who have demonstrated academic excellence in their academic journey. We have **three Scholars Programs** available. As we enter the final few weeks prior to the November 1st application deadline, I want to ensure that your exceptional STEM-minded students do not miss this opportunity.

Here is a quick summary of the programs:

1. **Presidential Scholars (\$50,000 paid over 4 years)**

Typical SAT Range: 1450-1600

2. **Alexander Scholars (\$40,000 paid over 4 years, automatic admissions to 5th year Master's program, free laptop)**

Typical SAT Range: 1330-1450

3. **Provost Scholars (\$20,000 paid over 4 years)**

Typical SAT Range: 1330+

For more info, go to <https://floridapoly.edu/admissions/tuition-financial-aid/types-of-financial-aid/>

JACKIE ROBINSON FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP: The Jackie Robinson Foundation provides a multi-faceted experience designed to not only address the financial needs of minority students who aspire to attend college but also to guide them through the process of higher education.

The JRF scholarship is awarded to outstanding high school graduates who plan to earn a baccalaureate degree from an accredited, four-year college or university. Additional fellowships are given to JRF Scholars to pursue opportunities to work and study abroad ([Rachel Robinson International Fellowship](#)) and for post-graduate education ([Extra Innings Fellowship](#)).

JRF Scholars receive grants of up to \$30,000 over four years to complement the financial aid they receive from their colleges or universities. In addition, Scholars are financially sponsored to attend JRF's annual four-day "Mentoring and Leadership Conference" in New York City as well as other regional events throughout the year.

Application Opens: November 1, 2019 and Application Deadline: February 1, 2020

To apply, go to <https://www.jackierobinson.org/apply/>

IMAGINE AMERICA SCHOLARSHIP: Scholarships for Trade School and Career College Students

Approximately 400 schools participate in the Imagine America Scholarship and Award Programs, and you could be eligible to receive a scholarship or award. IAF provides high school scholarships for graduating seniors, scholarships for adults and grants for military.

Apply For Scholarships

Find the school that's right for you and apply for our scholarships directly from your profile!

Begin your profile at <https://www.iafportal.org/user/register>

BEZOS SCHOLARS PROGRAM: NOT a scholarship but a great opportunity for 11th graders.

This is a year-long leadership development program that amplifies youth, voice and action. Current high school juniors who attend a public school with 30% or greater free and reduced lunch rate are invited to apply.

- Each year, 12 students from across the U.S. and an accompanying educator from each school are selected to participate alongside five students and an educator from the African Leadership Academy in Johannesburg, South Africa.
- Program kicks off with an all-expenses paid trip to the Aspen Ideas Festival, June 27-July 3, 2020.
- During their senior year, scholars receive ongoing mentorship, leadership development and \$1000 in funding to launch their own community change project.
- Scholars will also receive free individual, professional college advising services to equip them with the knowledge and tools to navigate financial aid and college applications.

Applications are due January 31, 2020. For more details, please visit

www.bezosscholars.org/lead



Register for free access to 5 million scholarships offering up to \$24 billion in free money for college.

How it works:

- Register for free and create your profile.
- Get matched to scholarships that are just right for you.
- Get detailed information on each matched scholarship: deadlines, requirements, and award amounts.
- Receive email account alerts when new matches are posted.
- Share scholarships with friends over social media.

SallieMae.com/ScholarshipSearch

The Right Fit Foundation.

12th grader. 1,000 to 5,000. 4/20/20

Residence of Pasco, Hillsborough, and Pinellas 3.0 GPA, preference to middle income families

www.rightfitfoundation.org

The BigSun Organization.

6/19/20. \$500. 12th grade

is proud to be able to continue to help young athletes succeed in their academic pursuits. We are offering an annual scholarship to a deserving student. All student athletes are eligible for this award, regardless of which sport they are participating in.

<http://www.bigsunathletics.com/>

Senior Care Aging Matters Scholarship

Amount: \$1,500

Description: Any graduating senior in good academic standing who will be attending a two or four-year accredited institution can apply for this scholarship. Selection will be based on the submission quality of the application including a short essay on why aging matters to the applicant.

Deadline: May 15, 2019

Application: <https://www.seniorcare.com/scholarship>

Janice M. Scott Memorial Scholarship

Amount: \$2,500

Description: Qualifying seniors must be U.S. citizens and have a GPA of 3.0 or higher. They must be planning to attend a four-year college or university full-time, within the U.S. These students must also have demonstrated leadership abilities through their participation in community service or other extra curricular activities. Additionally, the combined adjusted income of the parent (s) cannot exceed \$50,000.

Deadline: March 31, 2019

Application: <http://jmscottmemorialfund.org>

\$1,000 Easy College Money Scholarship

Amount: \$1,000

Description: This scholarship does not require an essay and has no GPA requirement. Students simply create a free profile at Cappex.com.

Deadline: Awarded Monthly

Application: Available

at <https://www.cappex.com/scholarships/scholarshipDetails.jsp?scholarshipCode=gp>

SUNSHINE OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications for the 2020 **Sunshine Opportunity Scholarships**, sponsored by the Godbold Foundation Inc., are available ONLINE at www.sunshineopportunitiescholarships.com to high school seniors in Hillsborough, Pinellas and Pasco counties.

The scholarship application period runs from December 1, 2019 to March 1, 2020. Ten scholarship awards are expected to be made, with winners notified in early April.

The scholarship is worth \$20,000 over four years (\$5,000 per year). Applicants should be high achieving high school seniors who have overcome significant obstacles in life and who plan to attend a public university in Florida for their undergraduate studies.

To apply, students should go to www.sunshineopportunitiescholarships.com and click on the link to the scholarship form.

THE COOLIDGE SCHOLARSHIP (*ONLY FOR CURRENT 11TH GRADERS*)

- Only for juniors who plan to enroll college in the fall of 2021.
- Need to be an American citizen or legal permanent resident to apply.
- Applications must be submitted by Thursday, January 16th, 2020.

Students are selected primarily on academic excellence. Secondary criteria include an interest in public policy, an appreciation for and understanding of the values President Coolidge championed, as well as humility and service.

The Coolidge Foundation invites the top 100 applicants to participate in its Coolidge Senators Program, which includes an all-expenses- paid Summit Weekend in Washington D.C. and a one time \$1000 scholarship.

Applicants who make it to the finalist level, but do not ultimately win the full scholarship, receive a one-time finalist scholarship of \$5000.

To apply, go to www.coolidgescholars.org

AES ENGINEER SCHOLARSHIP:

They are offering a scholarship that will be awarded on the basis of character, as determined by an evaluation of the essays that are submitted.

Scholarships are intended for our future leaders across a wide spectrum of fields of study. This award is available to high school seniors and all students attending a post-secondary educational facility.

You are not required to be taking Engineering courses to be eligible.

How to Apply

Students must submit an essay of between 500 and 1000 words in answer to the following question:

When you look back on your life in 30 years, what would it take for you to consider your life successful? What relationships or accomplishments will be important on this journey?

Amount of award: \$500.00

Deadline for entry: October 5, 2020

Submit essay to *scholarships@aesengineers.com*

There is no application packet for this award. Please do not include your resume at this time.

Be sure to include your full name as well as the name of the school you are attending this year and your plans for next year.

<http://www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm>

AFRICAN AMERICAN SCHOLARSHIP

Requirements:

- Senior in Pasco County High School, seeking entry into post-secondary education from a local state college or for admission to a technical school as a full-time student.
- 2.5 to 3.4 GPA. SAT of 800-1300 or ACT of 20-28
- Documentation of extra-curricular activities and community service.
- Statement of financial need describing economic challenges of applicant, Free or reduced lunch status
- Be a current resident of Pasco County, Florida
- Award Amount- \$500
- Please see Ms. Donovan for the application and return to Ms. Donovan by April 1st.

2020 QuestBridge College Prep Scholars Program: <https://www.questbridge.org/>

QuestBridge is a nationally recognized nonprofit that equips academically outstanding, low-income students to gain admission and full four-year scholarships to 42 top colleges.

Why apply as a junior? Being a College Prep Scholar is a notable distinction that shows our [42 college partners](#) that you are a competitive candidate for admission. As a College Prep Scholar, you will receive exclusive awards and opportunities to develop a strong college application that shares your unique story.

Awards for College Prep Scholars may include:

- A full scholarship to a college summer program at Stanford, Yale, Notre Dame, and more. Scholarships are valued at up to \$20,000 and cover travel, tuition, and room & board.
- Quest for Excellence Awards, such as \$1,000 for a laptop, campus visits, or test score fees.
- An invitation to a QuestBridge National College Admissions Conference.
- Up to a \$500 travel voucher toward attending a QuestBridge National College Admissions Conference at Stanford, Emory, or UChicago.
- Personalized college essay feedback.
- One-on-one admissions telementoring from Amherst College students.
- Specialized guidance and resources for the college application process.
- Access to an online community of peers who are also applying to top colleges.

Application opens in early February and the deadline for students to apply is March 24, 2020.

GULF HARBORS YACHT CLUB SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarship amount: \$2000

Criteria:

- Students are prepared curriculum wise, for entrance to college, community college or in the case of Wendell Krinn Technical School, advanced technical schooling.
- Solid grades
- Shown a sense of involvement and community service
- A financial need for attaining their higher educational dreams.

The awardees, their immediate family and a student's teacher or career counselor will be invited to a dinner at the yacht club on May 13th. This will be a great opportunity for

us to introduce the awardees to our members, and for the students to make a few comments.

Application deadline: Please submit the application to Mrs. Billiris, in room 4-151, by April 1st.

Please see Mrs. Billiris, in room 4-151, for an application.

PB & J SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline: 05/31/20

Amount: \$500 - \$1,000

- The PB&J scholarship awards students who have experienced challenges in their life that may not have allowed them to perform well academically but still have the drive to succeed.
- Open to all college-bound seniors at AHS
- Attending an accredited 2 year or 4 year college in 2020.
- Apply at <http://bit.ly/pbj scholars2020>

For any questions, contact Traven Watase at (808) 450- 9988 or email travwatase@gmail.com

2020 FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY YOUNG SCHOLARS PROGRAM

- This program is a prestigious six week residential summer science and math experience for outstanding students of Florida's public and private high schools.
- This is freely accessible to all highly qualified students who meet the eligibility requirements detailed on the website.
- Room, board and tuition are provided for every admitted student, funded by the Florida State University.
- Students with significant financial need may also apply for the supplemental program stipend to cover the cost of travel and books.
- For all of the information, please visit, <http://www.bio.fsu.edu/ysp/>
- Application deadline, February 15th 2020, NO EXCEPTIONS!

- Program dates June 14th through July 25th 2020.

Coastal Jaw Surgery Award

The purpose of this scholarship is to grant a \$500 award to a graduating senior from Pasco County. As an applicant, you must plan on pursuing a career in the **health care field**.

Please complete the application and a 250-word essay about your career aspiration. Include a copy of your transcripts and return it to Ms. Donovan in 3-116 by April 1st.

Applications are in 3-116

