November Scholarship List 2016

Students and parents are reminded that to apply to colleges in North Carolina students must send their own transcripts through the CFNC website. Directions have been given to students and parents in various meetings. Copies are available in Student Services. Secondary school reports, counselor’s pages and teacher recommendations should be turned into Student Services at least 5 school days prior to a deadline date and students must complete the Document Request Form when they need anything mailed to a college from the counseling office. **Anything that needs to be mailed prior to the Christmas holiday – to meet an early January deadline – needs to be requested no later than December 12.**

IMPORTANT GENERAL INFORMATION:

Students and parents should read the list carefully. Students can sign up for scholarships in which they are interested in the gold notebook on Mrs. Murray’s desk. ***(Please only sign up for scholarships for which you meet the stated criteria)*** Once the sign up deadline has passed, we email students to pick up applications and information about what is needed to apply to all students who have signed up and who meet the eligibility criteria. Included in the information will be the deadline to submit the information. ***Follow deadlines and directions carefully in order to be given full consideration for scholarships. PLEASE CHECK EMAIL DAILY!***

Some scholarships require that nominees be chosen by the high school. In those cases, students will sign up to be considered. This will be mentioned in the description of the scholarship as it is announced. The scholarship committee of SHS will select nominees for scholarships. We will consider transcript information and activity sheets (yellow) as well as interviews when necessary. ***Please be sure every student has a yellow activity sheet on file in guidance!***  (These were given out in English class in September)

Some scholarship applications are available online. The @ symbol indicates which ones may be downloaded or applied for online. Computers are available in the Student Services office for students who need to use them to download information.

Finally, please remember that all applications must be in the Students Services office **at least 5 school days** prior to the needed deadline. Any applications that are due January 1, should be in Student Services by December 12.

FAFSA: All students and parents planning to attend college next year – 2 year or 4 year – should complete the FAFSA. Information about FAFSA completion was presented this fall and the application was open on October 1. Parents will use 2015 tax returns to complete this year’s FAFSA. This is the only way to receive Financial Aid from colleges. Some scholarships and athletic recruiting require the FAFSA to be completed before awards can be made. State, Federal and institutional aid rely on completion of this form.

SAT and ACT: All seniors should be done with testing by January. Please check deadlines for both tests and register as quickly as possible in order for results to be received by colleges by deadlines.

Students who are approved for Free or Reduced Lunch for 2016-17 can receive a fee waiver. You must do this 2 days prior to registration!! Pick up a “Sharing Form” from Mrs. Murray and return the form 2 days prior to a deadline in order for it to be approved in time for registration.

**GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS**

The \* indicates that information for this scholarship has not yet been received – but that it generally comes in this time of year. We will process these as soon as the information is received.

**@Create-A-Greeting-Card** offers a $10,000 scholarship to interested seniors.  Applicants must submit a unique photo, piece of artwork, or computer graphic for the front of a greeting card.  Apply at [www.gallerycollection.com/greetingcardscontests.htm](http://www.gallerycollection.com/greetingcardscontests.htm)  Deadline to apply is March 2.

@Inheritance of Hope offers scholarships for students whose parents are battling cancer or for students who are battling cancer.  Applications for scholarships are available online at <http://inheritanceofhope.org/scholarships>.

@SunTrust Off To College Scholarship Sweepstakes: Seniors can enter for a chance to win a $500 scholarship.  One winner will be chosen every two weeks from October 31 to May 15.  Go to [suntrusteducation.com/scholarshipsweepstakes](http://suntrusteducation.com/scholarshipsweepstakes)

@The National Beta Scholarship Program offers scholarships from $1000 to $15,000 to outstanding senior Beta Club members. Deadline to apply is January 26, 2017. [www.betaclub.org/scholarship](http://www.betaclub.org/scholarship)

NC Division of Veterans Affairs scholarships are available to students whose parent(s) are veterans. The parent must have been a resident of North Carolina when he or she entered military service.  For more information contact Debra Conn from the Cleveland County Veterans Services office at 704-484-4803 or visit [www.ncveterans.net](http://www.ncveterans.net/).  Applicants may complete and print the Scholarship Application and Financial Questionnaire online and take it to the Veterans Services office along with Birth Certificate, DD214, Release of Authorization, and High School Transcript.   Deadline to apply is February 14.

**ELKS MOST VALUABLE STUDENT –** This year in order to apply for this scholarship, seniors must go online to complete the application and then print it off and bring it into guidance so that we can complete the application package. The directions MUST be followed exactly or applications will be discarded. Go to [www.elks.org/enf/scholars/mvs.cfm](http://www.elks.org/enf/scholars/mvs.cfm) (This is from the October list!)

Click on the 2016 MVS application link. Enter your email address to register. Fill out your contact information and submit. A cover page specific to you will be generated. Print and save this document. Download the remaining four pages of the application. The application is five pages total, including the cover page. The five pages do not include supplemental materials. After completing the application, bring ALL 5 pages to guidance and complete the paperwork for the supplemental information. You MUST turn in applications NO LATER THAN November 22.

ELKS NURSING SCHOLARSHIP – The Elks Club also offers a scholarship for students pursuing a career in Nursing. These applications are available in Student Services. If you plan to pursue a career in Nursing and you are interested in applying for this $1000 scholarship, email Mrs. Heffelfinger .

@The Washington Crossing Foundation offers scholarships from $1000 to $5000 to students interested in history, politics or government or military service. Information is available at [www.gwcf.org](http://www.gwcf.org). Deadline to apply is January 15, 2017

\*The Community Foundation offers the Jarman Family Scholarship for $5,000 to children of ministers in North and South Carolina. *Interested students should sign up by December 1.*

\*The Community Foundation offers the Sylvia Holmes Scholarship for $500 to females. Scholarship criteria include character, academic achievement and financial need. The young woman does not have to be a Girl Scout to apply but participation in scouting is looked upon with favor. *Interested students should sign up by December 1.*

\*The Community Foundation offers the Max J. Fowler Scholarship to students who plan to attend NC State University in the college of Physical & Mathematical Sciences or the College of Engineering. This is a $500 scholarship. *Deadline to sign up is December 1*.

Students who are children of disabled, deceased, combat or POW/MIA was veterans may be eligible for veterans scholarships for full tuition or as much as $4500. Make an appt with veteran’s office at 704-484-4803 as soon as possible.

@The Ron Brown Scholarship Program - is open to minority students who have a strong academic record and who have been involved in the school and community. Applications are available online at [www.ronbrown.org](http://www.ronbrown.org) and click on APPLY. (This was on last month’s list) The second deadline date is January 9. Please have ALL application materials turned into guidance NO LATER THAN 5 school days prior to the deadline.

The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina offers several scholarships to students who attend school in western North Carolina and plan to attend a 4 year college or 2 year college. There are several scholarships and one application. One general scholarship for 2 year and another is for a 4 year college. **Please indicate when you sign up if you will attend a 2 year or 4 year college. Interested students should sign up by November 22.**

Any senior who attended Headstart can apply for the Headstart Scholarship. Seniors must be planning to enroll in a 2 year or 4 year college. **Interested seniors should sign up by November 21.**

@Foot Locker Scholars—offers a scholarship to a high school senior athlete with a 3.0 unweighted GPA.  The requirements are good sportsmanship, moral character, be committed to serving the community, be a confident leader, and display academic excellence.  Application is available online at [footlockerscholarathletes.com](http://footlockerscholarathletes.com/).  Deadline to apply is December 16.

@Abbott and Fenner--$1000 scholarship.  Applicants will complete a 500-1000 word essay.  Full details are available at [www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm](http://www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm).  Deadline to apply is June 12, 2017.

@The Ronald McDonald House Charities offers several scholarships to seniors entering college. There are scholarships for Asian students, African American students, Hispanic Students and general scholarship category. Go to <http://aim.applyists.net/RMHC> to find scholarship information and how to apply. The deadline is January 18th. Application materials that need to come through Student Services must be in by December 12. More information is available at www.rmhc.org.

@Burger King offers scholarships for seniors with a 2.5+ GPA who plan to attend a two or four year college.  Applications are available at [www.scholarshipamerica.org/burgerkingscholars/information.php](http://www.scholarshipamerica.org/burgerkingscholars/information.php).

The first 50,000 submitted applications are the only ones that will be reviewed.  **Deadline to apply is December 15.**

**@The Baldor Electric Company Foundation Scholarship** is offered to employee’s children who plan to attend college or vocational school. Any seniors who are dependent children of a Baldor employee can apply for this scholarship. The scholarship is valued at $3,000 for freshmen. Online applications are available at [**https://www.scholarsapply.org/baldor/**](https://www.scholarsapply.org/baldor/). **Deadline to upload your application is December 31, 2016.**

@GE-Reagan Foundation offers scholarships for college-bound students who demonstrate exemplary leadership, drive, integrity, and citizenship.  An applicant should have a 3.0 GPA, demonstrate financial aid, and plan to attend a four-year college or university.  Applications are available online at [www.reaganfoundation.org/GE-RFScholarships.aspx](http://www.reaganfoundation.org/GE-RFScholarships.aspx).  **Deadline to apply is January 5.**

@NFIB Young Entrepreneur Award is offered to seniors who operate their own small business.  Application and information is available at [www.NFIB.com/YEA](http://www.nfib.com/YEA).  **Deadline to apply is December 18.**

@North Carolina High School Athletic Association offers scholarship opportunities to student athletes.  For applications and more information go to [www.nchsaa.org](http://www.nchsaa.org/) and click on Parents &Students and then Student Scholarships.

@AXA Achievement Scholarships are open to students who are active in their community, who have led projects in their communities that benefit others or who have overcome personal challenges. Scholarships range from $10,000 to $25,000. Deadline to apply is

December 15, 2016 or until the first 10,000 applications are submitted – whichever is first!! [www.axa-achievement.com](http://www.axa-achievement.com)

\*Michael A. DeMayo offers scholarships for $2500 to students who submit the best presentation on the prevention of underage drinking and driving. Student who wish to develop presentations in order to apply for this scholarship should sign up NO LATER THAN November 22.

@Retail Pays for College Scholarships available for seniors who work for or whose parents work for a company that is a member of NCRMA (NC Retail Merchants Association) or CFIC (Carolinas Food Industry Council).  Applications are available online at [retailpaysforcollege.org](http://retailpaysforcollege.org/).  Deadline to apply is March 20.

@BigSun Scholarship The BigSun Organization 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. Deadline - June, 2017 Amount of Award - $500.00 The successful applicant will be a high school senior or be attending a post secondary institute and currently involved in some sport at that institution or in the community. Please visit our website at <http://www.bigsunathletics.com>

 to learn how to apply.

@Jack Kent Cooke Foundation offers scholarships for students with an unweighted GPA of 3.5 or higher, 1200 SAT (R+M old SAT) or ACT 26, financial need.  Applications are available at [www.jkcf.org/scholarships](http://www.jkcf.org/scholarships).  **Deadline to apply is November 30.**

@The John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest offers several scholarships for up to $10,000. For more information and the application visit [www.jfklibrary.org](http://www.jfklibrary.org) **Deadline is January 4, 2017 to apply.**

**Alpha Delta Kappa offers the following scholarships: (Please read the criteria carefully)**

Eunice Riggins Memorial $2000 scholarship for graduating female. Applicant should be planning to attend a 4 year NC college/university this fall, should rank in the top 10% of their class, have a minimum SAT score of 1740 (25 ACT Composite), good character, and participation in extra-curricular activities.  **Interested seniors should sign up by December 1.**

Clare Johnson Marley Fine Arts Scholarship is a $2000 scholarship for a senior planning to pursue a 4-year degree in fine arts.  Applicant should rank in the top 20%, have a minimum SAT score of 1740 (25 ACT Composite), good character, and participation in extracurricular activities.  Applicant will need to submit proof of abilities/talents in the area of fine arts by submitting a CD/DVD or portfolio of work.  **Interested seniors should sign up by December 1.**

Mary Rose Mills--Linda Rankin Memorial $2000 scholarship for a senior planning to attend a four year college/university in the fall. They should rank in the top 10% of their class, have a minimum SAT score of 1860 (27 ACT Composite), good character, and participation in extra-curricular activities.  **Interested seniors should sign up by December 1.**

NC Alpha Delta Kappa Student Achievement $2000 scholarship for graduating senior planning to attend a two-year or four-year college/university.  Applicant's weighted GPA should be between 2.5 to 3.5, have a SAT score between 1344-1560 (ACT composite 20-24), have good character, and participation in extracurricular activities.  Applications are available online at [www.nccommunityfoundation.org](http://www.nccommunityfoundation.org/).  **Interested seniors should sign up by December 1.**

**COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS**

UNC Greensboro Teacher Education Fellows $20,000 plus teacher education experiences for seniors planning to attend UNCG to pursue a degree in education.  Applicant should have at least a 3.8 GPA and minimum SAT of 1100 (CR/M) or ACT composite of 24.  Application is available at  [UNCG Teacher EducationFellows](http://goo.gl/forms/woPiAyBW1b%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank) [Application](http://goo.gl/forms/woPiAyBW1b)   Priority will be given to those applications (to both the University and the Program) received by January 1.

Elon University Teaching Fellows $28,000 for a four year sequenced program for the preparation of teachers who will become leaders in the field of education.  Applicant should have at least a 3.7 GPA and a minimum SAT of 1900 or ACT of 28.  Application is available at [Teaching Fellows Program](http://www.elon.edu/e-web/academics/education/teaching_fellows/default.xhtml). Deadline to apply is January 10.

Ignite Excellence Scholarship at Gardner Webb University - Scholarships ranging from $2,000/yr to $39,640/yr; any major; must have a GPA of 3.7 and 1200 on SAT (w/o writing) or 25 ACT. See or email me in order that I offer you a nomination.  **Application deadline is Dec. 15.**

Kings College $2000 scholarship awards based on academic achievement. Students must have a final weighted GPA of 3.5+. Kings also offers scholarships of $5000 to students based on the results of a competitive exam. It will be given on Saturday, January 11, 2016. Students can also see campus on that day and meet with folks about financial aid opportunities. Interested students should sign up to take the exam on the college website.

NC State University College of Education offers a number of scholarship awards and other programs. Please check the website for the College of Education for information on their scholarships.

Clemson University offers merit-based academic scholarships for out of state residents ranging in value up to full tuition and fees. These scholarships are merit based and are very competitive. Students should rank in the top 10% of their class, and have an ACT composite score of 28 or better or an SAT Critical Reading and Math score of 1250 or better. Leadership activities and extra-curricular activities are also considered if academic criteria is met. Applicants are taken from a students application for admission and transcript.

Admission to the Calhoun Honors College requires a separate application that is due December 8. Students applying for the Honors College can be considered for Clemson’s National Scholars Program if applications are complete by December 8.

@UNCW offers students the opportunity to participate in the Honors College at UNCW. This is a separate application process and the application is available at <http://www.uncw.edu/honors>. Last year’s average of students in the honors colleges was a GPA of 4.0 and above and SAT scores of 1310(reading and math only). Applying to the honors college does not commit students to UNCW – but students are reminded they must apply for admission AND to the honors college. Information on institutional scholarships for UNCW are available at [www.uncw.edu/finaid](http://www.uncw.edu/finaid). Deadline is December 1.

**Applications for admission for ECU and ASU must be complete by November 15 to apply for their scholarships.**

**\*Western Carolina** Construction Management

 4 year Tuition scholarship

Apply online at [www.kimmel.com/kimmelschool/kimmelfoundations.cfm](http://www.kimmel.com/kimmelschool/kimmelfoundations.cfm)

For academic scholarships apply for admission online at [www.wcu.edu](http://www.wcu.edu)

**\*UNC Greensboro** UNCG offers academically talented incoming freshmen prestigious, merit-based scholarships that range in value and can include full tuition, fees, room, and board. There is no secondary application process for these scholarships, but to be considered, students must complete the application process for admission to the university no later than Dec. 1. In addition, students who want consideration for these awards must submit one of the three essay choices on the application for admission. Students who meet these criteria will automatically be considered for UNCG's Blue & Gold Scholarships.

**University of Virginia,** Charlottesville, Virginia has a program called **Access UVA** which is a financial aid program aimed at keeping a higher education affordable for all admitted students regardless of their financial means.  **There is specific money earmarked for Cleveland County High School graduates who attain admission to UVA.**   Interested students may contact the Office of University Development and Public Affairs at (434)-924-7306 if a student is interested in applying to UVA to learn more about this specific financial opportunity for our students.  Applications are available at <http://www.virginia.edu/undergradadmission/apply.html>

Duke AND UNC Chapel Hill – together – offer the Robertson Scholarship. This scholarship gives students the opportunity to study at both institutions. Students should have outstanding academic potential and character and have the ability to leverage their leadership skills toward great impact in their community and their world. For more information and application materials go to [www.robertsonscholars.org](http://www.robertsonscholars.org).

Goodnight Scholars at NC State University - Those who applied by the Oct. 15 deadline only - middle-income families who will major in STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) and are in the top 2% in class, 4.8 GPA and SAT 1400 (R+M) or 32 comp ACT. Can self-nominate - go to goodnight.ncsu.edu for more information.  **Deadline to nominate is December 1.**