

GOLDEN EAGLE BULLETIN

SCHOLARSHIP NEWSLETTER

SENIOR UPDATE

Seniors are approaching an exciting time in their lives! College acceptances are beginning to trickle in! We'd like to remind our seniors to keep documentation of all university program acceptances in order to be recognized during our annual Senior Scholarship Night on May 27, 2020 at 6pm in the Cafeteria.

Do senior grades matter? YES! Seniors should be mindful of their spring grades. University scholarships are contingent upon receiving final grades in June, therefore it is extremely important that seniors understand that they must keep up their GPA. Requests for official transcripts to be mailed directly to universities must be submitted to Clovis West Registrar, Mrs. Maureen Clark.

Reminder for Clovis West Area Elementary Alumni Scholarships! Did your student attend elementary school at one of our feeder schools? If the answer is yes, then please lookout for elementary scholarship applications that will soon be given to your student! As we begin to receive these application updates from the elementary schools, we will begin advertising and distributing to seniors who qualify to apply. Applications should be distributed by the end of March!

Kendall East
Clovis West Counselor
Scholarship Coordinator

NEED-TO-KNOW DATES

April 20th & 21st
Community College Pre-Registration Workshop

April 26th - 28th
Community College Priority Registration

April 29th
Scholarship Night Information Distribution to Seniors

May 2nd
CSF Banquet

May 2nd - 13th
AP Testing

May 18th
Military Signing Day

May 20th
Senior Checkout

May 25th
Scholarship Night

June 2nd
GRADUATION!

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TYPES OF AID

Free Aid

- Grants awarded based on financial need and do not need to be repaid. One of the largest grant programs is the Federal Pell Grant. Federal and state governments, colleges and individual organizations also award grants.
- Scholarships do not need to be repaid and are awarded for many reasons - academic achievement, athletics, financial need, ethnicity, organizational membership, private organizations, etc.

Work Aid

- Better known as Work-Study, this type of aid provides part-time jobs so students can earn funds to pay for their education. These are offered by federal and state governments, as well as individual schools.

Loan Aid

- Loans are used to cover a portion of the college expenses and may come from federal and private institutions.
- **Federal Perkins** Loans are for families with extreme financial need and is funded by the federal government. It is administered by the college or university. For undergraduate students. Amount up to \$5,500.
- **Federal Stafford** Loans are for students enrolled in college at least part time (less than 12 units). There are two types: *Direct Subsidized Stafford* and *Direct Unsubsidized Stafford*.
 - **Subsidized Stafford** Loans range from \$3,500 and \$5,500. No interest is charged while the student is enrolled in school, student is responsible for interest, and the money is loaned from the Department of Education.
 - **Unsubsidized Stafford** Loans range from \$5,500 to \$20,500. Interest is charged while the student is in school and the money is loaned from the Department of Education.
- **Direct PLUS Parent** Loans allow parents to borrow up to the full cost of the education minus any other aid received for any dependent enrolled at least half time (less than 12 units). Parent is responsible for interest and the Department of Education is the lender.
- **Private** Loans are provided by banks and loan companies. Private loans are typically more expensive than Federal student loans and do not qualify for loan forgiveness. It is advised to look for private loans that offer in-school payment deferment, high credit approval rates, and flexible repayment options. Unlike federal student loans, the rates and fees for private loans are determined by your credit. For more information on private or alternative loans, please visit www.finaid.org/loans/

HELPFUL RESOURCES

There are a ton of scholarship search sites on the internet. Below are just a few to help you get started:

Student Federal Aid

www.studentaid.gov

Big Future

www.bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college/grants-scholarships

Going Merry

www.goingmerry.com

Fast Web

www.fastweb.com

Niche

www.niche.com/colleges/scholarships/

PLEASE NOTE: You should never pay to apply for a scholarship. If an organization is requesting payment, chances are it is a scam or invalid.

COUNSELOR ADVICE

An education is the most important part of going to college. Although it is neat and exciting to get into some of these bigger schools, if you can go to a different school for less money, it is worth it not to have student loan debt!

Mrs. East

DID YOU KNOW...

1,581,000

scholarships are available to students every year.

50 to 100

scholarships are what a typical student can qualify for.

42%

of scholarships can NOT be found through Google searches.

LOOKING AHEAD

As we are looking ahead, please encourage your student to apply for scholarships as they become available! In our future scholarship bulletins, we will attach available scholarships, along with the deadline. These bulletins are usually emailed during the first week of each month. Most scholarships listed will be available for online submission or can be picked up from the Counseling Center. If you have any questions regarding current scholarships available, please contact the Counseling Center at 559.327.2118.

FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID (FAFSA)

The 2021-2022 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will open on October 1, 2021. FAFSA applications must be completed by April 1, 2022 in order to qualify for Cal Grant consideration. No student will be offered any type of financial aid, including merit-based scholarship, without FAFSA being filed.

Clovis West counselor Tracey Fowlkes will offer two virtual FAFSA workshops this fall - Tuesday, October 12th and Thursday, December 9th. More information will be sent closer to the events. The workshops are intended to help educate our families of the importance, as well as assistance in completing the application.

FAFSA Website - www.fafsa.ed.gov

Federal Student Aid PIN - www.studentaid.gov

FAFSA

- FAFSA is a form to be completed annually that determines eligibility for student financial aid. It is a gateway for all types of financial aid programs, including most institutional aid.
- ALL students are advised to complete a FAFSA application because colleges and universities will not award money (even merit-based) unless the form has been submitted.
- Application window: October 1, 2021-April 1, 2022

College Board CSS/Financial Aid Profile

- An application distributed by College Board in the United States, allowing college students to apply for financial aid. It is primarily used by private colleges to view the student and parent's financial picture and is more detailed than the FAFSA application. Please go to www.cssprofile.collegeboard.org

Financial Aid Resources

- Financial Aid Calculator: www.finaid.org/calculators/
- Guide to Federal Student Aid: [Click Here](#)
- Federal Student Aid Resources: www.studentaid.gov/resources
- US Department of Education: www.ed.gov

MARCH SCHOLARSHIPS

SCHOLARSHIP	DESCRIPTION	DEADLINE
CAASFEP Scholarship *NEW*	The CAASFEP is a scholarship designed to support students in pursuing postsecondary opportunities. Application requirements include a minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA, demonstrated leadership in community, demonstrated financial need, enroll in an accredited university, and be sponsored by a current CAASFEP member. Apply Here	6/30/22
American Groundwater Trust College Scholarship *NEW*	For students who intend to pursue a career in the field of groundwater. Apply Here	6/30/22
Angels Wings Thai Scholarship *NEW*	The purpose behind the Angels Wings scholarship is honor students of Thai descent that have demonstrated academic excellence, concern for the Thai community, heritage connection, and the desire to continue their education. Apply Here	6/27/22
PB&J Scholarship	The PB&J Scholarship is for students who have experienced personal challenges that may not have allowed them to perform well academically, but who still have the drive to succeed. Apply Here	5/31/22
Darden Architects Student Scholarship	Graduating senior from the San Joaquin Valley with a 3.0 or above and be accepted and enrolled at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo Architecture program. Must provide a proof of enrollment to the university. Apply Here	5/2/22 5 PM
LM Scholarship	The LM (Leavitt Machinery) Scholarship is for students enrolling in 2- or 4-year college with a 3.0 GPA or above. Apply here: https://forkliftcertificationedmonton.com/apply.php	5/1/22

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Odenza Vacations College Scholarship	The Odenza Vacations College Scholarship is a scholarship for students with a 2.5 GPA or above, enrolled in a 2- or 4-year university, and answer the question of why you want to attend college/university. Apply here: https://odenzavacationsscholarships.com/apply.php	5/1/22
American Culinary Federation Scholarships *NEW*	Various scholarships are available to students looking to pursue a career in the culinary world. Apply Here	4/30/22
Student-View Scholarship *NEW*	In order to apply, complete a 15-20 minute survey regarding local colleges. Apply Here	4/23/22
Cecil Cox Unit 147 American Legion Auxiliary Scholarship *NEW*	The Cecil Cox Unit 147 Auxiliary Legion scholarship for students who are children, grandchildren, or relatives of veterans. Apply Here	4/22/22
Clovis Japanese American Citizens League Scholarship *NEW*	The JACL scholarship is for students, regardless of ethnicity, who have achieved academic success, exhibited positive citizenship at school and in the community, and model positive character. Apply Here	4/22/22
Lincoln Educators' Legacy Scholarship *NEW*	The LELS group is comprised of former Lincoln Elementary School educators. This group is dedicated to supporting the goal of higher education (trade school, junior college, or university) for a former Lincoln Elementary student who attended one or more years. Apply Here	4/20/22
Careers That Care *NEW*	The Robert F. Lawson Careers That Care scholarship is for low-income students looking to pursue careers in healthcare, social work, government, education, or a related field. Apply Here	4/18/22

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Frances Loretta Memorial Scholarship *NEW*	The Frances Loretta Memorial Scholarship is for students who are passionate about learning, the arts, and becoming a future teacher. Apply Here	4/16/22
California Alarm Association Scholarship *NEW*	For students of active duty law enforcement and fire service personnel throughout California. Apply Here	4/15/22
Global Lift Equipment Scholarship	Students applying for the Global Lift Equipment Scholarship will be required to attend a postsecondary institution the fall after their high school graduation and will need to submit a short story in the application. Apply Here	4/15/22
Intertech STEM Scholarship *NEW*	For students looking to further their education in the field of STEM. Applicants must have a minimum 3.3 GPA, intend to study Computer Science, and enroll in an accredited college or university in Fall 2022. Apply Here	4/15/22
Armenian Relief Society of Western USA Scholarship *NEW*	The goal of the Armenian Relief Society of Western USA Scholarship is to provide financial relief for students of Armenian descent, have a minimum 3.5 GPA, be active members in school and the community, and intend to enroll in a 2- or 4- year university. Apply Here	4/15/22
Fort Washington Elementary PTC Scholarship *NEW*	This scholarship is for students that are alumni of Fort Washington Elementary School, maintained a minimum 3.2 GPA, co-curricular involvement, and community service. Apply Here	4/8/22
Liberty Elementary PTC Scholarship *NEW*	This scholarship is for students that are alumni of Liberty Elementary School, maintained a minimum 3.23 GPA, co-curricular involvement, and community service. Apply Here	4/8/22

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Lincoln Elementary PTC Scholarship *NEW*	This scholarship is for students that are alumni of Lincoln Elementary School, maintained a minimum 3.2 GPA, co-curricular involvement, and community service. Apply Here	4/8/22
Maple Creek Elementary PTC Scholarship *NEW*	This scholarship is for students that are alumni of Maple Creek Elementary School, maintained a competitive GPA, co-curricular involvement, and community service. Apply Here	4/8/22
Nelson Elementary PTC Scholarship *NEW*	This scholarship is for students that are alumni of Nelson Elementary School, maintained a minimum 3.0 GPA, co-curricular involvement, and community service. Apply Here	4/8/22
Pinedale Elementary PTC Scholarship *NEW*	This scholarship is for students that are alumni of Pinedale Elementary School, maintained a competitive GPA, co-curricular involvement, and community service. Apply Here	4/8/22
Valley Oak Elementary PTC Scholarship *NEW*	This scholarship is for students that are alumni of Valley Oak Elementary School, maintained a minimum 3.2 GPA, co-curricular involvement, and community service. Apply Here	
Clovis West Foundation Scholarship	The goal of the Clovis West Foundation Scholarship is to reward those students who exhibit the ideal of lifelong learning through the individual character development in Mind, Body, and Spirit. Minimum 2.8 GPA, involvement in co-curricular activities, and a guardian MUST be a member of the CW Foundation in order to apply. Apply Here	4/7/22
Buck & Rosalie Estill Ag Scholarship *NEW*	The goal of the Buck & Rosalie Estill Ag Scholarship is to recognize a graduating senior who has been active in Future Farmers of America or 4-H, been involved in school, and demonstrates outstanding character. Apply Here	4/4/22 5pm

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Jason Leal Scholarship *NEW*	The goal of the Jason Leal Scholarship is for a student of Latino descent who has demonstrated financial need for postsecondary education. Apply Here	4/4/22
John W. Milhous Memorial Scholarship *NEW*	The goal of the John W. Milhous Memorial Scholarship is to provide financial assistance to a student who has demonstrated outstanding leadership and service during their high school career and maintained a 3.0 GPA. Apply Here	4/4/22 5pm
Bernice Stiner Careers in Education Scholarship *NEW*	The goal of the Bernice Stiner Careers in Education Scholarship is to honor a student who has demonstrated academic growth and improvement and participated in school sponsored activities and programs throughout high school. Apply Here	4/4/22 5pm
Fresno Japanese American Citizens League Scholarship *NEW*	The Fresno JACL Scholarship has five scholarship opportunities for students of Japanese descent to apply for. Apply Here	4/1/22
CCDC Japanese American Citizens League Scholarship *NEW*	The Central California District Council of the JACL Scholarship has four scholarship opportunities for students of Japanese descent to apply for. Apply Here	4/1/22
Men's College Scholarship *NEW*	The Men's College Scholarship is designed to reward outstanding high school seniors that have demonstrated ability to excel in academics, extra-curricular school activities, and community involvement. Must be enrolling in a 4-year college or university for Fall 2022 and identify as male. Apply Here	4/1/22

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Fresno Kings Cattlewomen Scholarship	<p>The Fresno Kings Cattlewomen is awarding scholarships in the amount of \$500-\$1000 to students continuing their education in the beef industry or agriculture. Min 3.0 GPA.</p> <p>Apply Here: https://www.fkccw.com/scholarships</p>	4/1/22
Lockheed Martin STEM Scholarship	<p>The Lockheed Martin STEM Scholarship is for students with a 2.5 or above GPA and looking to major in select Engineering majors, Computer Science, Mathematics, or Physics, demonstrate financial need, and be willingness to be considered for an internship with Lockheed Martin.</p> <p>Apply here: https://learnmore.scholarsapply.org/lockheedmartin/</p>	4/1/22
Anthony Brucia Success Award Application	<p>For students who have turned-it-around during their time in high school. To apply, please submit a current application, personal statement, 2 letters of recommendation, activities record and employment history, and a transcript.</p> <p>Apply Here: https://cascwa.wildapricot.org/anthony-brucia-success</p>	4/1/22
Jack Harris Memorial Scholarship Fund	<p>The Jack Harris Memorial Scholarship is awarded to students who have been accepted and will be attending a four-year college, university or going to a community college. Preference is given to students who have worked or have a relative who has or is working for a Harris entity and also those students expressing a commitment to a future in agriculture BUT is not limited to any or all eligible students at your institution.</p> <p>Apply here: https://harrisranchscholarship.info/</p>	4/1/22
Women in STEM Scholarship *NEW*	<p>Avomeen recognize young women looking to pursue a degree in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math.</p> <p>Apply Here</p>	4/1/22

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Breaking the Stigma Scholarship	<p>For the scholarship, we ask that students write about ways in which we, as a society, can better work to break stigmas surrounding different disabilities. Reflect on challenges you have had to overcome and discuss the ways stigmas about your disability have impacted your life.</p> <p>Apply here: https://amicuslegalgroup.com/2022-breaking-the-stigma-scholarship/</p>	3/31/22
Kochhar & Co. Chartered Professional Accountant	<p>For students looking to pursue a career as an accountant. A minimum 2.5 GPA, attendance in college, and participation in an essay question are required in order to apply.</p> <p>Apply here https://kochharandco.ca/application</p>	3/31/22
Tzu Chi Scholarship	<p>The Tzu Chi USA Scholarship is a scholarship program funded by Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation to recognize and provide financial assistance to outstanding college-bound high school graduates and continuing undergraduate students who were prior recipients in selected areas of the United States. Tzu Chi USA Scholars are selected on the basis of their financial need, academic achievement, and community involvement.</p> <p>Apply here: https://tzuchi.us/scholarships</p>	3/31/22
Old Town Clovis Kiwanis	<p>The scholarships are designed to recognize and support exceptional students graduating from the Clovis Unified School District, including Gateway High School and the Clovis Adult School who have distinguished themselves academically and as leaders in extracurricular activities and services to their communities.</p> <p>Apply Here: https://otckiwaniis.org/Scholarships</p>	3/31/22
Caltrans District 6/Central Region Transportation Scholarship *NEW*	<p>Available to high school students who want to pursue a career in transportation. \$1000 or \$2000 scholarships are available.</p> <p>Apply Here</p>	3/31/22

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Caltrans District 6/Central Region Employee Family Scholarships *NEW*	Available to high school students related to a current, former, or retired Caltrans District 6 employee who will pursue a career in a transportation related field. Apply here	3/31/22
The "No Sweat" Scholarship	No income or GPA requirements, and no long essay! Apply here https://www.cirkledin.com/scholarships/	3/31/22
Flavorful Futures Scholarship *NEW*	To apply for the Flavorful Future Scholarship, must be a graduating seniors with a minimum 2.5 GPA and enrolling in a 2- or 4-year accredited college, university, trade, or vocational school. Apply Here	3/31/22
Flavorful Futures - GO GREEN Scholarship *NEW*	To apply for the Flavorful Future Scholarship, must be a graduating seniors with a minimum 2.5 GPA and enrolling in a 2- or 4-year accredited college, university, trade, or vocational school, intend to major in Environmental Studies, and be able to show proof of sustainable initiatives and projects. Apply Here	3/31/22
Ray Jones Scholarship Fund *NEW*	The Ray Jones Scholarship Fund is designed for graduating seniors of California Indian descent, maintaining a minimum 2.0 GPA, demonstrate financial need, and seeking enrollment in a 2- or 4- year college, university, trade, or vocational school. Apply Here	3/31/22
Folds of Honor Scholarship *NEW*	The Folds of Honor Scholarship is for students of military veterans looking to pursue higher education after high school. Apply here	3/31/22

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NCCS Beyond the Cure Ambassador Scholarship *NEW*	This scholarship is designed to provide support for students who received a childhood cancer diagnosis before the age of 18, or a high grade or anaplastic brain tumor. Student must be intending to enroll in a 2- or 4- year college, university, trade, or vocational school for Fall 2022. Apply Here	3/31/22
CelebrASIAN USPAACC Scholarship *NEW*	The USPAACC scholarship is for graduating seniors of East, South, Southeast Asian, or Pacific Island Heritage. Students must intend to enroll full-time at an accredited 2- or 4- year college, university, trade, or vocational school. Minimum 3.3 GPA, leadership in extracurricular activities, involvement in community service, and demonstrate financial need. Apply Here	3/31/22
MSMU Music Scholarship Auditions	Earning your bachelor's degree in music at MSMU gives you the opportunity to earn full-tuition scholarships each year, based on your dedication to your art. Apply Here	3/26/22
BMW/SAR Engineering Scholarship *NEW*	The BMW/SAE Engineering scholarship is for graduating seniors planning to to pursue a degree in Engineering or a related science field. Students must have an minimum unweighted GPA of 3.75, show participation in STEM-related extra-curricular activities, clubs, employment, or shadowing as it pertains to the intended engineering major. Apply Here	3/21/22
Association of Mexican American Educators Scholarship	AMAE has been active in encouraging Hispanic students to pursue a college education and to assume roles of leadership in our communities. In the last school year, twenty-one \$1,000 scholarships were awarded to graduating seniors. Applicant must be of Hispanic heritage, complete the AMAE scholarship application, Provide three letters of recommendation and wallet size photo. Apply Here	3/18/22

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Italian Catholic Federation Scholarship	<p>ICF is a National Roman Catholic Fraternal Organization composed of persons of Italian ancestry who are of Roman Catholic faith. Students who have a minimum GPA of 3.2 may submit an application.</p> <p>Apply Here: https://cascwa.wildapricot.org/anthony-brucia-success</p>	3/15/22
Jan Thomas Swim School Character Scholarship	<p>Jan Thomas Swim School would like to award a \$1000 scholarship to the senior who has GREAT character. Graduating senior must have 2.5 GPA and plans to attend a 4-year, 2-year or trade school.</p> <p>Apply Here</p>	3/15/22
Clovis Community Medical Center Guild Scholarship	<p>Clovis Community Medical Center is offering scholarships to seniors with a min GPA of 3.0, who are active in the community, and have an interest in the medical or science field. Students are to include 3 letters of recommendation, and attach a transcript.</p> <p>Apply Here</p>	3/15/22
Cabrillo Club Scholarship	<p>Cabrillo Clubs of California are offering \$500 scholarships to high school seniors of Portuguese heritage. Applicants must have maintained a minimum of 3.50 total WEIGHTED GPA and meets requirements to attend an accredited community college, university, or trade school.</p> <p>Apply Here</p>	3/15/22
American Foreign Service Association Scholarship	<p>The AFSA Scholarship Program offers college aid to children of AFSA members whose parents are/were Foreign Service employees. We provide financial aid scholarships to undergraduates and academic merit awards, art merit awards, and a community service award to graduating high school seniors.</p> <p>Apply here: https://afsa.org/afsa-scholarships</p>	3/14/22