



General Scholarship Resources

- fafsa.ed.gov – free application for Federal Student Aid – forms are available online on October 1st, 2017 and are due no later than March 1, 2018. We recommend *every* Senior complete the FAFSA form!
- fastweb.com – private scholarships
- studentaid.ed.gov – federal government’s website about paying for college
- meritaid.com - \$11 billion in merit scholarships
- cappex.com – scholarship matching
- hsf.net – Hispanic Scholarship fund
- collegeanswer.com/kfc – scholarship search and free aid
- findaid.org –free student resource for learning about all types of financial aid
- California Student Aid Commission www.csac.ca.gov
- College Funding www.collegefunding.com
- EdFund www.edfund.com
- U.S. State Department of Education www.ed.gov/studentaid
- College Navigator <http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator>
- College Answer www.collegeanswer.com/scholarships
- www.freschinfo.com/finding.php fantastic scholarship resource, check it out!
- www.free-4u.com/
- www.myfreedegree.com/
- <http://scholarships101.com/>
- [Next StepU.com/Scholarships](http://NextStepU.com/Scholarships)
- StudentScholarships.org

Scholarships Specific to Majors

- www.aicpa.org/BecomeACPA/Scholarships/ business/accountant
- <http://archcareers.org/> architecture
- <http://careers.microsoft.com/careers/en/us/collegescholarship.aspx> computers
- <http://www.asm.org/asm/index.php/education/students.html> biology
- <http://societyofwomenengineers.swe.org/> engineering and for women only
- <http://www.societyforscience.org/> science
- <http://www.nmfonline.org> medicine

Minorities Scholarship Resources

- www.asianpacificfund.org
- www.thurgoodmarshallfund.net/student/scholarshipprograms
- www.naacp.org/page/s/scholarship2
- www.chicanalatina.org/scholarship.html
- www.migrant.net/migrant/scholarships.htm
- www.hispanic-scholarships.org/
- Ww.lnesc.org
- www.uncf.org
- www.ronbrown.org
- www.collegefund.org
- www.apiasf.org/scholarships
- www.jackierobinson.org

Scholarships for Undocumented Students

- www.education-leadership.org/
- www.dreamactivist.org/faq/education/scholarship/

Tips for Successful Scholarship Submissions

- Learn the requirements of the scholarship opportunity such as academic achievement and grades, leadership experiences, community involvement.
- Understand the mission, purpose, and focus of the organization offering the scholarship.
- Follow the directions in the application and adhere to the tiny details like organizing the materials in the specific order requested, and don't use a special folder unless instructed to do so.

More Tips on How to Find Scholarships

- Contact the college or university you are planning to attend for their specific scholarships offered and don't be shy about asking for financial resources and help. For example, once you receive the "financial aid package," don't be afraid to ask and negotiate with them.
- Look within your own circle of community – church, employers, and local organizations.
- More on organizations – if you or parents belong to social and/or volunteer organizations like Lions Club, etc., or a union, check to see if there are potential scholarships you may apply to.
- What is your intended college major? Many times, there are scholarships offered for students planning on making a career out of the organization. Investigate who is the Head of the Department at the college/university for the major you plan to study as they may have leads for you too.
- Research your local library and ask help from the librarian. Ask for a Directory of Associations and apply to non-profits or professional organizations that are related to your intended career path or college major.

Please see Mrs. Duke if you have any questions about the Clovis West Scholarship Bulletin. Email: janetduke@clovisusd.k12.ca.us or phone 327-2053.

- To apply for scholarships, follow the website listed, or follow directions at the end of each scholarship entry.
- Scholarship opportunities will be listed as Clovis West High School is informed, and there will be increasing entries as the school year progresses. They are issued monthly starting in September. Many are offered in the fall, so stay on top of them!
- Work closely with your child's college or university to find out specific opportunities available.
- Neatness counts and make sure to proofread the final draft.
- Keep good records of your application – due date – and always make a copy for your own records.
- Searching, applying, and earning a scholarship is hard work and takes a lot of time, effort, and follow-through, and is ultimately up to the individual student; however, the rewards in the end can really pay off. Plan accordingly, and do not wait until the last minute to turn in your scholarship application!

