West High School Scholarship Information GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP & FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

One of the best sources of scholarship and financial aid information is the Financial Aid and Scholarship Office at the college to which you are applying. Be sure to visit each college's website and follow that individual school's instructions regarding required forms and deadlines.

Other helpful information on scholarships and financial aid can be found at: http://www.finaid.org/ - excellent site answering questions about financial aid http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/ FAFSA online, basis for all federal financial aid http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/ - get your PIN (student and parent) to fill out the FAFSA online www.studentaid.ed.gov - get your PIN (student and parent) to fill out the FAFSA online www.studentaid.ed.gov - information about US Government funds for college http://www.studentaid.ed.gov - IN Education Lottery Scholarship Programs and TN Student Assistance Corporation a free scholarship search engine http://www.cappex.com- a free scholarship search engine http://www.fastweb.com- a free scholarship search engine http://www.studentscholarships.org — a free scholarship search engine

When searching for scholarships, be please be aware that scholarship scams do exist. You should never pay anyone to do a scholarship search or complete financial aid forms (FAFSA) for you.

Information about scholarships, known by West High Student Services, is listed on the following pages in three sections: 1) *State scholarships*, 2) *scholarships which require a school nomination*, and 3) *private & school-specific scholarships*.

Section 1- State Scholarships

The Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship Program offers the HOPE

Scholarship (\$1750 for the first two years and \$2250 for the last two years at a 4-year schools and \$1500 at 2-year schools), the General Assembly Merit Scholarship (\$1,000 supplement), the Aspire Award (\$1,500 supplement), and the Hope Access Grant (\$2750 for 4-year school and \$1,750 for 2-year school) to qualified students. Additional HOPE monies include the Wilder-Naifeh Technical Skills Grant (\$2,000) and the Tennessee HOPE Foster Child Tuition Grant (up to cost of tuition & mandatory fees).Parents and students who want to know more about the HOPE Scholarships and the Tennessee Education Lottery Scholarship Programs can view information at https://www.tn.gov/collegepays/money-for-college/tn-education-lottery-programs/tennessee-hope-scholarship.html

Important explanation of Lottery Scholarship grade point average: TSAC, who administers the HOPE Scholarship, uses the phrase "a 3.0 weighted GPA" in all of their literature. What TSAC calls a weighted GPA is what Knox County considers an unweighted GPA. A 'TN State Lottery GPA' is now listed on the Knox County Schools electronic transcript.

The Tennessee Student Assistance Award Program (TSAA) Funds are awarded on a first come, first-served basis. To be eligible, the applicant must complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), be a Tennessee resident, and have a valid Expected Family Contribution (EFC) of \$2100 or less. Because funds are limited, interested students are strongly encouraged to apply as soon as possible after October 1.

https://www.tn.gov/collegepays/money-for-college/grant-programs/tennessee-student -assistance-award.html

Deadline: as soon after October 1 as possible

Ned McWherter Scholars Program

3.5 GPA and 29 ACT or 1280 SAT

award amount is \$6,000 per year for 4 years

apply at

https://www.tn.gov/collegepays/money-for-college/state-of-tennessee-programs/nedmcwherter-scholars-program.html

Deadline: February 15

Dependent Children Scholarship Program

Tennessee residents who are dependent children of a Tennessee law enforcement officer, fireman, or an emergency medical service technician who has been killed or totally and permanently disabled while performing duties within the scope of such employment

The award amount varies and depends on available funds.

https://www.tn.gov/collegepays/money-for-college/state-of-tennessee-programs/dependent-children-scholarship-program.html

Deadline: July 15

TNPromise – Beginning with the Class of 2015, students in Tennessee may apply for the Tennessee Promise scholarship, which will provide two years tuition-free education at a community college or technical school in Tennessee. Tennessee Promise is a last-dollar scholarship, meaning it will cover costs of tuition and mandatory fees not met from Pell, HOPE, or TSAA. As part of the program, students will be paired with a partnering organization and provided with a mentor who will support them during the college application process. Apply at <u>www.tnpromise.gov</u>

Deadline: November 1, 2019

For the HOPE and other scholarships, students/parents must submit the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA should be filled as soon as possible after October 1 of a student's senior year. Students/parents will need their social security number, driver's license, income tax return, bank statements and investment records before filling out the form. Additionally, the student and one parent will need a Federal Student Aid (FSA) ID number to electronically sign the FAFSA. This is a user-created username and password. The FSA ID must be created before starting the FAFSA.

To create an FSA ID go to https://fsaid.ed.gov

The FAFSA can be completed at: <u>www.fafsa.ed.gov</u>

Section 2- Scholarships that Require a Nomination

Students wishing to be considered for specific nomination-only scholarships should submit a "WHS Scholarship Nomination" form to Sarah Bast in Student Services. A scholarship committee will review nominated students. Selected students will be notified by their counselor who will provide information on the next step.

Morehead Cain Scholarship- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

This is a highly competitive scholarship; students must be admissible to UNC and may not apply to any other binding admission program. Students are chosen based on moral force of character, scholarship, physical vigor and leadership. For more information go to <u>www.moreheadcain.org</u> Students must submit a WHS Scholarship Nomination Form, a current resume, and a brief essay describing why they are a good candidate. West HS may nominate two students.

WHS Deadline: September 11 (UNC deadline is May 2019)

Jefferson Scholars- University of Virginia

This is a highly competitive scholarship; students must be admissible to UVA and may not apply to any other binding admission program. The criteria for selection are excellence in leadership, scholarship and citizenship. For more information go to <u>www.jeffersonscholars.org</u> Students must submit a WHS Scholarship Nomination Form, a current resume, and a brief essay describing why they are a good candidate. West HS may nominate one student.

WHS Deadline: September 11 (UVA deadline for application is January 1)

Belk Scholarship- Davidson College

This is a highly competitive scholarship; students must be admissible to Davidson College. Students who demonstrate exceptional promise in academics, character, leadership and service should consider this nomination. For more information go to <u>http://www3.davidson.edu/cms/x27480.xml</u> Students must submit a WHS Scholarship Nomination Form, a current resume, and a brief essay describing why they are a good candidate. West HS may nominate one student.

WHS Deadline: September 11 (Davidson deadline for application is December 3)

Parks Scholars- North Carolina State University

This highly competitive scholarship provides a computer stipend in addition to full scholarship support. Park Scholars are selected on the basis of academic merit, exemplary character, potential for leadership and service. For more information go to www.ncsu.edu/park_scholarships/about/index.php Students must submit a WHS Scholarship Nomination Form, a current resume, and a brief essay describing why they are a good candidate. WHS many nominate up to two students.

WHS Deadline: September 11 (NC State deadline for application is November 1 by Common App)

Wells Scholars- University of Indiana

The Wells Scholarship, awarded on the basis of merit, provides tuition, academic fees and a living-expense stipend for four years. Wells Scholars may choose to spend one of those years studying abroad. Each Scholar is also eligible for a one-time grant to pursue a summer internship, research or service project, creative activity or other enriching experience. The Wells Scholars Program seeks outstanding students who have shown exceptional academic accomplishment and promise, fine character and leadership, significant involvement in extracurricular activities, and concern for their communities, and interest in the larger world.

WHS Deadline: September 11 (IU deadline for application is November 1)

Section 3- Private and School-specific Scholarships

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Honors and Scholars Programs (Chancellor's Honors, Haslam Scholars, Leadership Honors, and 1794 Scholars Programs)-Students who wish to be considered for UT's most competitive scholarships should apply for admission by November 1, 2017. Once the student is admitted the link to the competitive scholarship application will become available. Deadline: Admission-November 1; Scholarship Application- December 15

University of Tennessee, Chattanooga- Students must submit an application for admission and upon receiving a letter of admission, must complete an online scholarship application within 3-5 days. Priority is given to students who complete the application for admission and online scholarship application by the priority deadline of December 1. Scholarship amounts range from \$6500-\$9500; minimum GPA is 3.20 and ACT is 22. Apply early!

University of Tennessee, Chattanooga- Grote Chemistry Scholarship- The department of Chemistry and Physics a renewable \$3000 scholarship to three entering freshmen majoring in Chemistry. This scholarship can be added to the HOPE scholarship and other academic scholarships. To be eligible, students must earn an A or B in a high school Chemistry course, earn a 3.5 GPA, score a 26 composite on the ACT and declare Chemistry as a major. The application is online at the UTC Chemistry website. Deadline: February 15

Middle Tennessee State University- Several academic scholarships are available for students with a minimum 3.50 GPA and ACT 25. Amounts ranging from \$2000 to \$5000, depending on the ACT score. The ACT must be taken no later than December of the senior year to qualify for scholarships. There is no separate scholarship application. Students should apply for admission by December 1 to receive priority consideration for most scholarships at MTSU. **Also awards a scholarship for who students who earn the IB Diploma.**

Deadline: Apply for admission by December 1

Buchanan Fellowship at Middle Tennessee State University

This is a competitive scholarship selected by the Honors College. Students must submit a separate application to the Honors College for this scholarship. Twenty students will be awarded a Buchanan Fellowship which provides full tuition and a book allowance. The minimum ACT is a 30 and the minimum GPA is a 3.5; a transcript and personal statement must also be submitted.

Deadline: December 1

Tennessee Tech University Scholarships- Tech has a variety of guaranteed scholarships for students with a 3.5 GPA and 24+ ACT ranging from \$1,000 – 5,000 per year. Apply for

scholarships online through ScholarWeb. You must be admitted to apply for scholarships. Visit <u>www.tntech.edu/scholarships</u> for details. Deadline: December 15

East Tennessee State University- ETSU offers a variety of guaranteed academic scholarships based on ACT and GPA (minimum GPA is 3.5 and ACT is 25). Scholarship amounts range from \$2000-\$5000. The ACT score must be submitted by December of the senior year to qualify for scholarships. ETSU does not superscore for scholarship purposes. Visit www.etsu.edu/scholarships

Deadline: Completed application file by December 15

University Honors Scholars-ETSU Twenty two scholarships providing full scholarship support are awarded each year. Minimum GPA is 3.5 and ACT is 29. Evidence of community service and leadership is required. A separate application for this scholarship is required.

https://www.etsu.edu/honors/university_scholars/apply.php Deadline: December 15

Maryville College- The college offers a broad array of scholarships for incoming, first-year students. These scholarships may range from \$19,000- \$23,000. For more information, visit <u>www.maryvillecollege.edu</u> **Deadline**: January 15

Robertson Scholarship – Duke and UNC/Chapel Hill

Students interested in the Robertson Scholars Program are strongly encouraged to complete the Robertson Scholars Program application in addition to their application to Duke and/or UNC-Chapel Hill. The application is intended to supplement the students' applications to Duke and UNC-Chapel Hill by providing information specific to the Robertson Scholars Program's criteria. Robertson Scholars are expected to participate in the various elements of the program, including but not limited to the first- year and junior retreats, the cross-campus course requirement and semester switch, and the first two summer enrichment programs (domestic and international). Further information and the application can be found at https://robertsonscholars.org/apply/

Deadline: November 15

Vanderbilt University- Ingram, Cornelius Vanderbilt, and Chancellor's Scholarship Students interested in being considered for the Ingram, Cornelius Vanderbilt and/or Chancellor's Scholarship Program should visit <u>www.vanderbilt.edu/scholarships</u> for specific directions. Other merit-based scholarships are also described here. Deadlines: December 1

Belmont University- Belmont University offers a variety of merit-based scholarships. The application for admission to the university serves as the merit-based scholarship application. December 1 is the application deadline for consideration for Belmont's most competitive named and departmental scholarships. General Academic Merit Scholarships range from\$3000-\$10,000. Average ACT for these is 27 and GPA is 3.7 There a limited number of competitive scholarships. For more information visit http://www.belmont.edu/sfs/scholarships/merit.html Deadline: December 1

Sewanee, University of the South- Sewanee offers a variety of merit scholarships with values beginning at \$5000. Selected seniors are awarded Sewanee Signature
 Scholarships that vary in value. Initially, no additional scholarship application is required.
 Deadline: Must complete the Common Application by the Early Action deadline of December 1

Rhodes College- Every year, nearly half of incoming freshmen at Rhodes receive a merit scholarship. Scholarship amounts range from \$20,000-full tuition. Scholarships are awarded based on information in the Common Application when submitted for admission. You are encouraged to schedule a meeting with a member of the admission staff if you are a scholarship candidate.

Deadline: Check the Rhodes College Financial Aid website for deadlines.

Hendrix College- The Hays Memorial Scholarship provides tuition, room, board and fees and is very competitive. A separate application is required and students must apply for admission by November 15 and submit the scholarship application by February 1. Eligibility includes a 3.6 GPA and a 32 ACT. Hendrix also offers academic scholarships beginning at \$18,000 for which there is no additional application required. A scholarship for IB Diploma Candidates is also awarded. For more information go to www.hendrix.edu/scholarships

Deadline: November 15 admission also serves as scholarship application

Oglethorpe University- Oglethorpe awards a **HOPE equivalent scholarship** of \$3500 to Tennessee residents with a 3.0 GPA which may be in addition to other awarded scholarships. Approximately 80% of OU students are awarded some scholarship money for which no separate application is required. The **James Edward Oglethorpe, Civic Engagement, and Georgia Shakespeare Scholarships** are full tuition scholarships; students will be invited to attend a scholarship weekend to compete for these scholarships. For more information visit

http://oglethorpe.edu/admission/undergraduate-admission/scholarships-and-aid/ **Deadline:** EA-November 15; Regular Decision- rolling

Agnes Scott College- Agnes Scott Scholarships-Agnes Scott College awards numerous scholarships for students who have excelled in academic achievement, community service, leadership, and extracurricular involvement. These awards range from \$15,000-\$22,00. All applicants who meet the Early Action application deadline are automatically considered for these awards. More selective scholarships require a separate application.

http://agnesscott.edu/admission/financial-aid/agnes-scott-scholarships.html

Deadline: ED- November 1, EA 1- November 15, EA II- January 15, Regular Decision-March 15

Tulane University- All Tulane applicants are considered for merit scholarships ranging from \$10,000-\$30,000. For deadlines and application instructions visit http://admission.tulane.edu/aid/merit.php Admission deadline for some scholarships is November 15.

Deadline: Must file CSS Profile and FAFSA by February 15

Elon University- Elon University offers several scholarship programs. **Fellows Scholarships** range from \$5000-\$13,500 and a separate application is required. **Presidential Scholarships** of \$6000 are awarded to students who meet the criteria and no additional application is required for this. For Fellows applications and other information visit

https://www.elon.edu/e/admissions/undergraduate/financial-aid/scholarships-and-grants.html

Deadline: ED- November 1, EA-November 10, Regular Admission and Fellows Application- January 10

College of Charleston- Merit Scholarships are awarded to students in the top 5% of their class and have at least an ACT score of 29. The number of awards varies each year; the applicant pool is very competitive. No separate application is required. For more information go to http://cofc.edu

Deadline: Application for admission on file by December 1

University of Georgia- Classic Scholars The University of Georgia will award out-of-state students, who meet the academic criteria, a waiver of tuition and fees equal to ½ the differential of in-state tuition/fees and non-resident tuition/fees (Minimum amount will be \$9250/year). Students must have a minimum 32 ACT. www.admissions.uga.edu/article/scholarships-at-uga.html

Deadline: Check the website for deadlines

University of Georgia- Foundation Fellowships The application for Foundation Fellowships is online at the UGA admission site. This competitive student will have a minimum 3.9 unweighted GPA and a 33 ACT. Finalists for a Fellowship are notified in late January and are invited to the Interview Weekend. For more information go to www.admissions.uga.edu/article/scholarships-at-uga.html Deadline: November 1, 2019 **University of Mississippi-** Ole Miss has several academic scholarships available for non-resident students. Visit <u>http://www.olemiss.edu/scholarships</u> to see the list. Students must complete **Special Programs and Scholarships Application** to be considered for any scholarship.

Deadline: March 1 (for scholarship application)

The University of Alabama- Capstone, Collegiate, UA and Presidential Scholars are awarded to non-resident students. Scholarships range from \$8000 to the full value of out of state tuition. Students must first submit a completed application for admission before completing the scholarship application online. It may take 24-48 hours before receiving an ID number to be able to access the scholarship application. The December ACT or SAT is the last one a student may take to be considered for scholarships. Go to <u>http://scholarships.ua.edu/freshmen</u> Deadline: December 15

Thomas Wolfe Scholarship- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Student writers may apply for the Thomas Wolfe Scholarship which provides full undergraduate support. Students must submit their application for admission for the UNC **early admission deadline** of October 15 and submit the Thomas Wolfe Scholarship application by November 15. The Thomas Wolfe Scholarship application may be found at https://englishcomplit.unc.edu/creative-writing/scholarships-and-awards

Deadline: October 15

Auburn University- The Presidential, Founders, and University Scholarships are available to non-resident students. These academic scholarships are awarded competitively in December for students with a minimum 28 ACT and 3.5 GPA, however the minimum test score and GPA does not guarantee a scholarship will be awarded. Students must be accepted for admission and complete the scholarship application online through the Auburn University Scholarship Opportunity Manager (AUSOM) by February 15 For more information visit <u>www.auburn.edu/scholarship</u>

Deadline: December 15 for priority consideration for Freshmen Scholarships

Berea College (KY)-All students admitted to Berea College The Tuition Promise Scholarship valued between \$50,000 and \$100,00. Priority consideration begins in September and continues through April. For more financial aid and scholarship information, visit <u>http://www.berea.edu</u> **Deadline:** Priority deadline #1 is October 31

University of Michigan- the University of Michigan Office of Financial Aid administers a variety of scholarship programs that recognize superior academic achievement, leadership qualities, and potential to contribute to the scholarly community of the university. The majority of these scholarships are awarded automatically to eligible students upon admission, and no application is required beyond the application for

admission. Students should also complete a **scholarship profile** on Wolverine Access to ensure that they are considered for all possible scholarships. Visit <u>www.finaid.umich.edu</u> **Deadline**: Be admitted to University of Michigan by February 1

Carson Newman College- All freshmen admitted to Carson Newman are considered for the Presidential, Dean's Faculty, Achievement, and Opportunity Scholarships. There is no separate application for these scholarships. Minimum GPA is 2.70 and ACT is 19. Scholarship amounts range from \$6000-\$14,000. For more information go to http://www.cn.edu Deadline: see website

University of Texas at Dallas- McDermott Scholars Program

The award is valued at well over \$130,000 and pays for all costs of tuition and fees, book allowances, living stipends and cultural experiences for up to 48 months, and includes support for professional preparation and travel study expenses. Sixteen to 20 Scholars are selected annually from the top few percent of the nation's high school seniors on the basis of their academic and extracurricular achievements and for their promise as leaders. Students who have the best chance of being invited to McDermott Finalists' Weekend will have a 34+ ACT/1400 SAT and rank in the top 5% of the class. The application must be submitted online at <u>http://www.utdallas.edu/mcdermott</u> **Deadline:** December 12

Boston University: Trustee

Merit scholarships for students with strong academic and leadership ability. Last year, Boston University awarded more than \$12.5 million in merit-based scholarships to entering freshmen. See

http://www.bu.edu/admissions/tuition-aid/scholarships-financial-aid/first-year-merit/tr ustee/ for information and application procedures. Deadline: December 1

Lincoln Memorial University- Academic Scholarships

LMU offers a limited number of full tuition scholarships to students who have a 29-36 ACT/1290 SAT and a 3.5-4.0 GPA. Merit scholarships are available to other students based on ACT scores and GPA. No separate scholarship application is needed. For more information visit

https://www.lmunet.edu/admissions/financial-aid/applying-for-financial-aid.php **Deadline**: See websites for dates

AES Engineering Services - \$500 scholarships are awarded based not only on academic achievement but also on character. To learn how to apply go to: http://www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.htm Deadline: October 6, 2019

Heisman High School Scholarship-This Scholarship honors both male and female high

school seniors who excel in academics, athletics, and student leadership. Must have at least a 3.0 GPA and participate in at least one school sponsored sport. Applications must be completed on-line at: heismanscholarship.com

Deadline: October 29, 2019

SunTrust Off To College Scholarship Sweepstake - SunTrust is offering fifteen \$1,000 scholarships for high school seniors and current undergraduate students. One winner will be chosen every two weeks from October- May. Students register on their website during each drawing period. Only one entry per person for each drawing; however, students can register after each completed drawing for the next scheduled drawing. Scholarship check will be mailed to the winner's school of attendance. No purchase or transaction is necessary and eligibility is not based on GPA or financial need. For complete details and to access the registration page, visit https://offtocollegesweepstakes.suntrust.com Deadline: Registration begins mid-September

Horatio Alger Scholarship Program- seeks to assist students who have demonstrated integrity, perseverance in overcoming adversity, strength of character, financial need, a good academic record, commitment to pursue a college education and a desire to contribute to society. Students must have critical financial need, preferably \$55,000 or lower adjusted gross income per family. Students should have involvement in co-curricular and community service activities, and be a U.S. citizen. A minimum 2.0 GPA is required. Applications must be filled out online

at:<u>https://scholars.horatioalger.org/scholarships/about-our-scholarship-programs/</u> Deadline: October 25, 2019

Coca-Cola Scholars Program Scholarship – An achievement-based scholarship awarded to graduating seniors with a minimum of 3.0 GPA who demonstrate excellence in leadership in their communities and academics. Applications are on-line at <u>www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org</u> **Deadline**: October 31, 2019

Ron Brown Scholarship - The Ron Brown Scholar Program seeks to identify African-American high school seniors who will make significant contributions to society. Applicants must excel academically, exhibit exceptional leadership potential, participate in community service activities and demonstrate financial need. The applicant must be a US citizen or hold a permanent resident visa card. The award is \$10,000 annually for four years. Information and application are available at <u>www.ronbrown.org</u> **Deadline**: January 9, 2020

West High School PTSO- Triple I Scholarship

The WHS PTSO will award two \$1000 scholarships annually. The scholarships will be awarded to one male and one female who have demonstrated excellence in being "Involved, Intelligent, Inspired" while at West High School. Students are required to write a 250-word or less, type-written essay about their involvement at West and/or the community and how they have been inspired. Two letters of recommendation are required, one from a teacher and one who knows the student personally. Applications are available in Student Services or on the PTSO website. **Deadline:** March 6, 2020

American Society of Heating, Refrigeration, and Air Conditioning Engineers- Four

\$3000 ASHRAE scholarships will be awarded to seniors who have been accepted in a pre-engineering, engineering, or engineering technology program leading to a Bachelor's degree program. Students must have a minimum 3.00 GPA and rank in the top 30% of the class. Apply at

https://www.ashrae.org/communities/student-zone/scholarships-and-grants/scholarshi p-program Deadline: May 1, 2020

Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship Program

Seniors may apply for this scholarship which is a one time \$2500 award. Criteria include a minimum 3.0 GPA, demonstrated leadership, commitment to community service, outstanding character and integrity. To apply go to: comcastleadersandachieversscholarship.com **Deadline: December 6, 2019**

The Prudential Spirit of Community Award

If you have made a difference through volunteering, you could win \$1000 and a trip to Washington D.C as a winner at the state level. Apply online at **http://spirit.prudential.com** or **www.nassp.org/spirit**. Once you have completed the online application, go to the "Certification" page, print out the certification instructions and give them to Ms. Bast. West High School may certify two students to be considered for the state competition. **Deadline:** November 5, 2019

Professional Athletes Foundation Program

The PAF Student Scholarship is a one-time \$2500 one-time scholarship. Students must have a minimum 2.0 GPA, be accepted to a 2 or 4 year college, have participated in varsity athletics for at least one year and be nominated by a coach. The student athlete may not have accepted any scholarships to participate in college athletic. An essay and a letter of nomination from the coach is required as part of the application. Applications are available in Student Services.

Deadline: January 7, 2020

Sigma Phi Epsilon Balanced Man Scholarship

The TN Gamma chapter of Sigma Phi Epsilon is offering the Balanced Man Scholarship to outstanding freshmen entering UTK. Several scholarships are awarded and vary in value from \$500-\$2000. Details at <u>https://www.tnalpha.com/balanced-man-scholarship</u> **Deadline:** June 14, 2020

Y-12 Federal Credit Union Bill T. Hicks Scholarship

A one-time award of \$1000 will be awarded to seniors who are members of Y-12 Federal Credit Union and have a minimum 2.5 GPA. Applicants must write a 250 word essay and may include letters of recommendation. Details at <u>www.y12fcu.org</u> **Deadline:** Application Not yet available

FIRST Scholarship Program

Many colleges and universities, professional associations, and corporations offer college scholarships to high school students on *FIRST* teams. This is official recognition of the knowledge and technical and life skills these students have gained from participating in a *FIRST* competition. For 2019, we currently have around **200 scholarship providers** that are making available over **750 individual scholarship opportunities** with a total value of **over \$16 Million**! For more information on the FIRST Scholarship Program visit www.usfirst.org/scholarshipsearch.aspx

Rotary Foundation of Knoxville

The Rotary Foundation of Knoxville awards a \$5000 renewable scholarship for a student with genuine financial need. Students must complete an application and include a transcript, two letters of recommendation and the Student Aid Report from the FAFSA. Applications available in Student Services.

Deadline: March 2, 2020

Hampton Scholarship Foundation

West High School may nominate one student for the Hampton Memorial Scholarship which awards a \$1500 renewable scholarship to Tennessee residents who demonstrate financial need (EFC is less than \$18,000) and rank near the top of their class. The nominated student will complete an application, which includes an essay, and be required to submit a copy of the Student Aid Report (SAR) from the FAFSA. **Deadline:** 2019-2020 application not yet available.

Barney Thompson Scholarship

The Barney Thompson Scholarship is a one-time \$500 scholarship awarded to a senior from each high school in Knox County.

Deadline: 2019-2020 application not yet available

Optimist Club Henry Naff Foundation

The Henry Naff Foundation will award 5-7 \$1000 scholarships(non-renewable) to students attending a high school in the Knox County area. Students must demonstrate financial need, be actively involved in school and community activities and have performed well in school.

Deadline: 2019-2020 application not yet available

The Mark Lee McCormack Award

This scholarship honors Mark Lee McCormack (WHS Class of 1997) is awarded to a senior who will be attending the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. The recipient of this \$1000 award should have characteristics which might include the following: thoughtfulness, determination, personal courage, empathy, a strong sense of commitment to others, to freedom, to diversity and particularly to those persons needing or deserving aid. Students may apply confidentially for the award or may have a student or teacher submit the nomination.

Deadline : 2019-2020 application not yet available

SACAC Horizon Award

Five \$1000 (non-renewable) scholarships will be awarded based on financial need, academic achievement, and community service. Students must demonstrate a commitment to community service, social justice issues and/or leadership qualities.. An essay, transcript, and letter of recommendation are required The application is available online at

https://www.sacac.org/knowledge-center/for-students-and-parents/horizon-award/

Deadline: January 17, 2020

BigSun Scholarship

The BigSun Organization helps young athletes succeed in their academic pursuits. All athletes are eligible to apply for this one time \$500 scholarship. To apply go to: <u>http://www.bigsunathletics.com</u> Deadline: 2019-2020 application not yet available

GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship Program

Exceptional student leaders are invited to apply for the 2016 GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship Program. This program awards up to 20 college-bound students who demonstrate exemplary leadership, drive, integrity, and citizenship with a renewable \$10,000 scholarship. To apply to <u>reaganfoundation.org/scholarships</u> **Deadline:** January 4, 2019

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation College Scholarship

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation College Scholarshipis a highly selective scholarship program for top high school seniors with significant financial need. Up to 40 applicants will be selected and receive up to \$40,000 per year. Students must have a minimum 3.5 GPA, ACT of 26 or above and demonstrate financial need (likely Pell Grant eligibility). To apply visit: <u>www.jkcf.org/scholarships</u> **Deadline: November 13, 2019**

Knox County Council PTA Scholarship- The Knox County Council PTA offers scholarships to deserving Knox County students. Criteria for selection include demonstrated financial need, academically qualified for college admission and a desire to earn the scholarship. A teacher and counselor recommendation and an essay are required. Applications are

available in Student Services. Application is available in Student Services

Deadline: January 10, 2020

Knox County Council PTA Jablonski Family Educational Needs Scholarship- The Knox County Council PTA Jablonski Family Educational Needs Scholarship offers scholarships to Knox County students with special needs in order to help reduce barriers to educational advancement and to help enable young people to become active participants in their communities. Criteria for selection include a financial need and history of receiving special education services in Knox County Schools. A teacher and counselor recommendation and an essay are required. Applications are available in Student Services.

Deadline: January 10, 2020

Stan & Thelma Plumlee Scholarship- a renewable \$2000 scholarship is given by the Tennessee Housing Association. Applicants **must** be associated with the manufactured or modular housing industry (i.e. living in a manufactured or modular home or a family member working in the industry). Financial need is considered. An application and two letters of recommendation are required.

Deadline:2019-2020 application not yet available

Burger King Scholars- High School seniors can apply to receive up to \$50,000 in scholarships. You must have a minimum 2.5 GPA. To apply go to www.bkmclamorefoundation.org/WhatWeDo/ScholarsProgram **Deadline:** Application opens October 15, 2019 and closes December 15, 2019

Emory Louis Carter Memorial Scholarship- The Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Knoxville Chapter, will award a \$500 scholarship to one male graduating in May 2019. A minimum 3.25 GPA, an essay, and a letter of recommendation are required. **Applications and deadline not yet available.**

Jimm A. Snoddy Memorial Scholarship- Crossroad Christian Church will award a one-time \$1000 scholarship to a graduating senior planning to enroll in a postsecondary institution and pursue a degree in music, math/science, or health sciences. Applicants must have a 3.00 GPA, write an essay and submit two letters of recommendation. Application is online at http://crossroads-christian-church.org or you may pick up a hard copy in Student Services

Deadline:March 13, 2020

Lois Kelly Scholarship Program- The Zeta Phi Beta Sorority established this scholarship at the 100th birthday celebration of Lois Kelly to honor young women pursuing degrees of higher education. To be considered for this one-time \$750 scholarship, you must be a

female who is accepted to attend an accredited college or university in Knoxville or the surrounding area and have a minimum 3.0 GPA. An essay, two letters of recommendation and a transcript must be included with the application.

Deadline: 2019-2020 application not yet available

Ely-Pickle Scholarship- The Rotary Club of Bearden will award a one-time \$2500 scholarships to one senior from West High School who will attend a two or four-year college. Applicants must demonstrate financial need, strong character and a strong initiative to complete their higher educational goals. Applicants must also have a teacher verify their community service and character and a parent will need to provide a signed statement with yearly gross income. Applications available in Student Services

Deadline:April 7, 2020

Optimist Club of Mechanicsville Lonsdale- This group is offering a one-time scholarship to an African American graduating senior. A minimum 3.00 GPA, a transcript, personal statement, demonstration of financial need and two letters of recommendation are needed for a complete application. Applications will be available in Student Services in the spring semester.

Deadline: 2018-2019 application not yet received

Beta Theta Boule Foundation- This foundation will award scholarships to Knoxville area racial minority graduating seniors to attend college/university in the fall of the 2019-2020 academic year. Students must have a 3.50 GPA and leadership skills and work history will be taken into consideration. In addition to the application, a transcript, two letters of recommendation and an essay are required.

Deadline: 2019-2020 application not yet available

East Tennessee Foundation Scholarships – Applications available November 1, 2019

- Harold W. Canfield Memorial Scholarship –Graduating high school seniors from Anderson, Blount, Grainger, Jefferson, Knox, Loudon, Roane, Sevier, and Union Counties who are pursuing an undergraduate degree are eligible to apply. A one-time, non-renewable scholarship of \$1000 per year is offered. Must participate in the Youth Athletic Program (YAP) of the Knoxville Track Club.
- **B&W Y-12 Scholarship** –Available to a student in East Tennessee 25 counties studying pre-engineering or science related fields at Roane State Community College,

Pellissippi State Community College, Tennessee Tech University, University of Tennessee, or Maryville College. A \$1400 non-renewable award is offered. Applicant must have a 3.0 GPA to apply.

- Knoxville Business Association Scholarship The aim of the scholarship is for KBA to assist Knox County students who have a desire to obtain a college degree in a business-related field. Scholarship to be awarded as follows: Four year total: \$7,000; Freshman year: \$1,000; Sophomore year: \$1,500; Junior year: \$2,000; and Senior year: \$2,500 in the form of grants to UTK. Student must have a 3.0 GPA, provide a written recommendation from a counselor, principal or other faculty member and demonstrate financial need.
- **Gordon W. and Agnes P. Cobb Scholarship** –This scholarship is designed to benefit graduates of high schools in Blount, Loudon, and Knox counties in Tennessee who wish to pursue or who are pursuing a college education in a health care and/or medical-related field. A \$10,000 renewable (for four years) award will be given. Student must have a 3.0 GPA, evidence of a strong work ethic and volunteer history, with demonstrated financial need.
- **Gregory Weber Computer Science Scholarship-** a \$2000 nonrenewable scholarship for a graduate of a Knox County high school who plans to major in computer science. Must have a minimum 3.5 GPA, a 26 on the Math section of the ACT and be able to demonstrate financial need.
- Lawrence Strader Boy Scouts of America Scholarship-For graduating seniors from 21 counties, including Knox, who are currently registered members of Boy Scouts of America, Great Smoky Mountain Council, with a minimum of three years participation as a Boy Scout. Scholarship amount: \$3000 per year award for up to 4 years. Must have a minimum 2.5 GPA.

Knoxville Football Officials Association Scholarship- for graduating seniors who are members of and/or directly associated with (e.g. cheerleader, team manager, team trainer) their high school football team. Minimum GPA is a 3.00 and minimum ACT of 21. Must enroll as a full-time student at a two or year college or university or a technical/vocational program that is accredited.

Deadline for all East Tennessee Foundation Scholarships: February 15, 2020 Applications and information are available at http://www.easttennesseefoundation.org

TNConnect Scholarship- TNConnect Credit Union offers a \$1000 scholarship to seniors who are TNConnect members and plan to study at a 2 or 4 year college or a technical

school. Students must have a savings account, checking account and debit card with their name as the primary member at TNConnect by December 27, 2019. Selection criteria may include GPA, extra-curricular and/or community involvement, career goals and written skills. Application is available in Student Services.

Deadline: must be received by February 7, 2020.

Kyle William Kiihnl Memorial Scholarship-a \$1000 one time scholarship in memory of Kyle Kiihnl, a student from Germantown, Tennessee. A cover letter and essay are required. Scholarship instructions will be available in Student Services.

Deadline: 2019-2020 application not yet received

Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship-The Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship assists minority youth through granting four-year college scholarships. To be eligible to apply, a student must be a senior, minority student who plans to attend a four-year institution. Leadership, commitment to service and financial need are also considered. The application can be found at <u>www.jackierobinson.org</u> and will open November 1, 2019.

Deadline: February 1, 2020

Brown Smith Memorial Scholarship-This \$1500 scholarship honors the memory of Brown Smith, an AP/Honor student of West High School's class of 2018. Brown was committed to his education and had hopes of studying engineering in college. To be eligible, a student must intend to enroll full-time at a 2 or 4 year institution, have a minimum 3.25 GPA, have challenged themselves in their course of study, and show involvement in the school and community through volunteer service. Preference will be given to students planning to pursue a degree in the STEM fields and based on financial need. Two letters of recommendation, an essay and a resume must be submitted with the application. Applications available in Student Services

Deadline:April 1, 2020

Junior League of Knoxville Scholarship-This scholarship is available to any female high school senior planning to attend a 2 or 4 year college. The award is up to \$2000. Applicants must have a minimum 2.5 GPA and submit an essay, a recommendation and a transcript. Applications are available in Student Services.

Deadline: March 7, 2020

Federally Employed Women STEM Scholarship-a \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a student that has displayed academic excellence in one of the STEM fields of study and intend to pursue a STEM field in college. A scholarship application, transcript and essay are required.

Deadline:2019-2020 application not yet received.

Jeanette S Miller Memorial Scholarship- The FEW awards a \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a student who demonstrates financial need. An application, transcript and essay are required.

Deadline: 2019-2020 application not yet received

Oak Ridge Chapter of Blacks in Government will award two separate types of scholarships: Academic Excellence Scholarship and Financial Need Scholarship (students may apply to only one category). An application, essay and list of extracurricular activities and awards are required.

Deadline: 2019-2020 applications not yet received

Haywood Harris Memorial Republican Scholarship-The West Knox Republican Club will award two \$500 scholarships to a graduating senior from West and Bearden High Schools. A minimum 3.2 GPA, academic achievement, dedication to the promotion of the Republican Party and financial need are considered.

Deadline: 2019-2020 application not yet received

Tennessee Concrete Association Essay Contest: this essay contest is open to students ages 16-18. The essay should demonstrate a student's awareness of concrete's role as a building material in homes, commercial buildings, streets and highways. 1st place winner will receive \$250. Application is available in Student Services.

Deadline: January 24, 2020

National Society Daughters of the American Revolution: The TSDAR Scholarship is a \$2500 scholarship given to a senior who will be attending a four-year college or university. An essay, resume, transcript and two letters of recommendation are required to apply. Application is available in Student Services.

Deadline: Postmarked by October 1, 2019.

Dr William Weaver Memorial Scholarship-This \$1000 scholarship is to honor Dr. William Weaver, one of the first African-American students to attend and graduate from West High School. Students must have a 3.00 GPA, strong character and involvement in the community. Two letters of recommendation, an essay and resume are required. Applications are available in Student Services.

Deadline: April 1, 2020

Regions Riding Forward Scholarship Essay Contest- Regions will award \$5000 scholarships to 15 high school students. The essay focuses on topics to celebrate Black History Month. Apply at regions.com/ridingforward

Deadline: February 29, 2020