



Looking for Scholarships

Financing Your Education

Anderson High School



Financial Aid Basics

- Scholarships
 - Grants
 - Loans
 - Work-Study
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- Merit-based vs. Need-based aid



Financial Aid Process

1. Students **apply** to a college or university (*or a few*)
2. Students **complete the FAFSA** (*Free Application for Federal Student Aid*). You can send up to 10 schools.
3. **FAFSA** (*the federal government*) **determines your SAR** (*Student Aid Report*) & **your EFC** (*Expected Family Contribution*)
4. The student's **SAR & EFC** and information in your FAFSA is reported to the schools to which you applied
5. **Schools use** your **FAFSA** info along with **their COA** (*Cost of Attendance*) and other options to build the student's financial award offer
6. Students and families **accept** *or* **deny** the offers from schools
7. **Students make the FINANCIAL AID OFFICE a place of contact!**



TASFA

- The TASFA is available for Texas residents who cannot complete the FAFSA due to citizenship and SS# issues but want to apply for state aid programs.
 - DACA Recipients and non US Residents or Citizens
 - Students are eligible for financial aid from the state government only
 - First come first serve
 - **Need to Request 2018 Tax Transcript**
- Check with the institution to determine which form to use
 - Paper copy FAFSA
 - Paper copy TASFA
 - www.collegeforalltexans.com



Military

- **Military/Veterans Legacy Funding for Dependents**
- Veteran tuition programs
 - <https://www.tvc.texas.gov/>
- Hazlewood Act application
 - <https://www.tvc.texas.gov/education/hazlewood-act/>

Scholarships

Merit-based financial aid

- Common types of scholarships

- Academic/Departmental

- University

- Merit: automatic, nomination, separate application

- Companies

- Churches

- Athletic

- Performance, e.g. Music, Theatre

- Do your research

- Deadlines

- Requirements

- Free scholarship searches

- Beware of scholarship scams



Example Automatic

■ Texas - New Arkansan NRTA

- The NRTA scholarship covers the majority of the difference between out-of-state tuition and in-state tuition and is automatically granted to eligible degree-seeking students

Award Amount

New Freshmen

Transfer Students

Award Amount	Eligibility Criteria
90%	3.60 GPA and 28 ACT / 1310 SAT
80%	3.40 GPA and 26 ACT / 1240 SAT
70%	3.20 GPA and 24 ACT / 1160 SAT



Does scholarship need counselor nomination

- University of Dayton:
 - Simply nominate graduating seniors with a passion for personal development and a commitment to service to receive a \$10,000 Leadership in Service scholarship (\$2,500 per year for four years). While the chosen students need to meet our admission standards, we are looking for students with an innate desire to learn and grow in service to others — not necessarily ones with the highest GPA.



How

- Find the scholarship and ask yourself:
 - First, are they looking for me?
 - Second, am I willing to do what they are asking?
- Print the information and decide when to work on them:
 - Read the information from beginning to end
 - Highlight the important stuff
- Complete the application
 - Keep your information in a folder or binder
 - Make copies
 - Remember quality counts



Scholarship Application Process

- What Establishes a Completed Application
 - Application completed
 - Be concise and answer all question
 - Be neat
 - Letters of Recommendation
 - Unless there is a limit, send 2-3
 - Make copies
 - Transcript
 - Essay
 - Resume
 - Interview
 - If an interview is require, dress appropriately



Before You Submit

- Make sure you have all requested information
- Read directions thoroughly and make sure you have followed them
- Make sure everything you submit is clear, concise and positive
- Observe priority deadlines – check with colleges/universities you are applying to



Top ways NOT to get a scholarship

- Missing the deadline
- Waiting until the last minute
- Writing a Ho-Hum essay
- Failing to follow the instructions
- Not keeping up with your grades
- Not preparing for your interview



Useful Information Sites

- www.fastweb.com
- www.finaid.org
- www.scholarshipsforhispanics.org
- Search scholarships at [bigfuture](http://bigfuture.collegeboard.org) by The College Board
- Don't forget about **scholarship search in Naviance** located under Colleges tab! A lot of the local and regional awards go unclaimed because students don't apply.

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Scholarship Match

Naviance Scholarship List

Scholarships and Financial Aid

The list below contains scholarships or financial aid awards that may be relevant for you. Click the name of a scholarship to view more information. You may also check the scholarships for which you are submitting applications and then click "Add to My Applications"

646 Scholarships

Filters

All



Hide past-due scholarships



Only show new since my last visit

Name	Deadline	Maximum Award	Merit based	Need based	Essay req	Service req
\$1,000 Cappex Easy College Money Scholarship	4/30	\$1,000				
\$1,000 Gen and Kelly Tanabe Scholarship (Essay) 9th - 12th Grade	12/31	\$1,000	✓		✓	
\$10,000 Hach & Rose, LLP Annual College Scholarship	5/15	\$10,000			✓	
\$1,000 C. M.			✓	



Examples of a scholarships

- A+scholarship
 - <https://aplusfcu.org/scholarships>
- 1,000 Cappex Easy College Money Scholarship
 - <https://www.cappex.com/scholarships/>
- Don't mess with Texas
 - <http://www.dmwtscholarship.org/>



Questions
