



Scholarship Opportunities

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*Applications are available online unless noted that the student must pick up an application in the Guidance Office.
Be sure to pay attention to application deadlines!!*

Scholarships with rolling deadlines

1. Building a Better Beaufort Scholarship

Scholarship Amount: Tuition-free up to two years.

Requirements: Students graduating from Beaufort County schools, who meet the academic criteria, will be able to attend the Technical College of the LowCountry tuition-free for up to two years. Students are also eligible to enroll in a one-year occupations program. Students must have a minimum GPA of 3.0. Apply online at TCL: www.tcl.edu/b3.

2. SunTrust Off to College Sweepstakes 2017-18

Scholarship Amount: \$500 every two weeks.

Requirements: Students may register for the bi-weekly drawings beginning September 15, 2017. One winner will be chosen every 2 weeks from **Oct. 31, 2017 - May 15, 2018**. For more information please visit <https://www.suntrusteducation.com/ScholarshipSweepstakes/index.html>.

3. Courage to Grow Scholarship

Scholarship Amount: \$500 each month.

Program awards one \$500 scholarship every month; deadline date is last day of each month. Visit their website at <http://www.couragetogrowscholarship.com/> for application and details. Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.5.

4. South Carolina Scholarships

Scholarship Amount: Varies.

For more information please visit, <http://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarships-by-state/south-carolina-scholarships/>.

5. Harvard University Tuition Assistance

Scholarship Amount: Tuition Fees.

Requirements: To find out more about Harvard offering free tuition for families making less than \$60,000 a year, visit Harvard's financial aid website at: <http://www.fao.fas.harvard.edu/> or call the school's financial aid office at (617) 495-1581.

6. List of Scholarships for Hispanic Students

Scholarship Amount: Varies.

For more information please visit: <http://www.thesalliemafund.org/smfnew/sections/search.html>.

7. Heritage Classic Foundation Scholarship

Scholarship Amount: Varies

Requirements: Students must have a 3.5 GPA or higher (weighted), must score a 27 or greater on ACT, 1220 or greater on SAT, be a legal US citizen and parent's combined adjusted annual income must be less than \$200,000. **Application deadline is November 15, 2017.** Please visit www.heritageclassicfoundation.com to access online application.

8. South Carolina Teaching Fellows

Scholarship Amount: \$24,000

Requirements: Fellows receive up to \$24,000 in funds while they complete a degree leading to teacher licensure. A Fellow agrees to teach in a South Carolina public school one year for every year he or she receives the fellowship. Must be a United

States citizen or permanent resident alien legally authorized to be in the United States, Must be a legal resident of South Carolina, Must be a high school senior or junior graduating early. Access Application at teachingfellows@cerra.org. Application deadline is **December 1, 2017**.

9. James F. Byrnes Scholarship Foundation

Scholarship Amount: \$3,500 per year.

Available to high school seniors who have lost one or both parents, to help in obtaining a college education. Please visit www.byrnesscholars.org, or guidance, to obtain an application packet. **Application Deadline is February 1, 2017**

10. AXA Achievement Scholarship

Scholarship Amount: Fifty-two winners – one from each state to receive one-time scholarship awards of \$10,000 each. From 52 state winners, ten are selected as national winners and earn an additional one-time scholarship of \$15,000.

Eligibility: high school seniors who plan to enroll full-time in an accredited two-year or four-year college or university in the United States for the entire 2015-2016 academic year and demonstrate ambition and self-drive as evidenced by outstanding achievement in school, community or work-related activities. **Application deadline is December 15, 2017**. You are encouraged to apply early. For more information please visit <https://us.axa.com/axa-foundation/AXA-achievement-scholarship.html>.

11. Lt. Gen. George I. Forsythe USA, Scholarship – The Rotary Club of Beaufort

Scholarship Amount: \$1000. The Club awards at least three scholarships each year to outstanding Beaufort students who will enter college in the fall. The award was established in memory of Lieutenant General George Forsythe who retired to Beaufort from the Army and became an active member of the community and president of this Rotary Club. For more information contact Woody Rutter, 838-9922, jrutter@islc.net or Larry Rowland, 521-4153 lrowlan@gwm.sc.edu.

12. Vocational Career Training Scholarship – The Rotary Club of Beaufort

Scholarship Amount: \$1000. Each year the club awards a scholarship to a student who has chosen to further his or her education via technical training in today's technology-based workforce. For more information, please contact Peter Murphy at Phone number 843-770-9904 or email siendo@embarqmail.com.

13. The University of Georgia Foundation Fellowship, Ramsey Honors Scholarship, Woodruff Scholarship, etc.

Scholarship Amount: Various amounts awarded.

Requirements: Please visit: <https://www.admissions.uga.edu/article/scholarships-at-uga.html> for details and deadlines. **First year students must submit their admissions applications to UGA by December 15th to receive priority consideration.**

14. SAE Engineering Scholarships

Scholarship Amount: Various amounts.

Requirements: More than 60 corporate and university sponsored scholarships to qualified students who are interested in the study of engineering and related sciences. **Application deadlines are January 15, 2017**. Please visit: <http://students.sae.org/scholarships/freshman/> for more information.

15. Ron Brown Scholar Program

Scholarship Amount: \$10,000 each year for up to four years.

Requirements: Must be an African-American high school senior planning to attend college. The criteria are based on academic record, leadership potential, and community service. You must be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident. Early Deadline: November 1 (Considered for Ron Brown Scholar Program and forwarded to additional scholarship providers) **Final Deadline: January 9** (Considered only for the Ron Brown Scholarship). Go to <https://www.ronbrown.org/> for more information. Application packets are available in Guidance.

16. The Gates Millennium Scholarship

Scholarship Amount: \$1000.

Requirements: Outstanding students from underrepresented backgrounds (1,000 selected each year). Students need a 3.3 or higher on a 4.0 scale. Ethnicities: African American, American Indian-Alaska Native, Asian & Pacific Islander American, or Hispanic American. Residency Status: U.S. Citizen, Permanent Resident or Foreign National. Academic Classification: High school senior, GED recipient, or high school graduate entering an accredited college for first time as a full-time, degree-seeking, and first-year student. Go to <https://hsf.net/en/scholarships/programs/the-gates-millennium-scholarship/> for more information. **Deadline: January 13, 2018**.

17. Dell Scholars Program

Scholarship Amount: Various

Requirements: High school seniors who have financial need and plan to enroll immediately in bachelor's degree programs can qualify by enrolling in approved college readiness programs as high school students and completing a Dell Scholars scholarship application online. **Applications open on November 1 through the deadline of January 15**. For more information, please visit: <http://www.dellscholars.org/>.

18. DECA Student Scholars Scholarship

Scholarship Amount: Varies.

Requirements: DECA's scholarship program provides over \$300,000 in scholarships to high school and college DECA members at the International Career Development Conference (ICDC) each year. Many corporate partners of DECA provide scholarships through the DECA scholarship program. Go to <https://www.deca.org/high-school-programs/scholarships/> for more information. **Deadline: January 19, 2018.**

19. Richard Elizabeth Dean Scholarship

Scholarship Amount: \$5000 year for up to four years.

This scholarship is for high school seniors planning to attend college in the fall of 2018. Must be a U.S. citizen, have a 4.0 GPA and have financial need. For more information you may visit the Guidance office. Go to www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships/general-info for application and more information. **Application Deadline is February 10, 2017.**

20. Carolina E. Holt Nursing Scholarship

Scholarship Amount: \$1000.

This scholarship is for students attending a college in the Fall of 2018 with the intent of majoring in nursing. School must be an accredited nursing program. Students must have financial need and be a U.S. citizen. Visit the Guidance Department for more information and/or an application. **Application Deadline is February 15, 2018.**

21. Madeline Pickett Cogswell Nursing Scholarship

Amount: \$1000.

Must be a student accepted or enrolled in and accredited school of nursing. Applicants must be members or descendants of members eligible for active National Society Daughters of the Revolution. Visit the Guidance Department for more information and/or an application. **Application Deadline is February 15, 2018.**

22. DAR American Indian Scholarship

Amount: \$4000.

Applicants must be Native American (proof of American Indian Blood), must have financial need and have a GPA of 3.25 or higher. Visit the Guidance Department for more information and/or an application. **Application Deadline is February 15, 2018.**

23. The American Legion High School "Constitutional Speech Contest"

Scholarship Amount: Varies \$500-\$18,000.

Requirements: Any high school or junior high school student. **Application deadline: January 24, 2018.** For more information you may go to www.scarolinalegion.org/page/content/programs/hw-dare-maness-high-school-oratorical-contest.

24. Student Poster Contest

Create a poster interpreting the theme "One Person Can Make a Difference".

PRIZES: •First Prize - \$1000 •Second Prize - \$500 •Third Prize - \$250 • five Honorable Mentions of \$100. For more information please visit: <http://www.christophers.org/page.aspx?pid=274>. **Poster deadline is February 18, 2018.**

25. BMW Scholars Program

Scholarship Amount: Full-time tuition at local community college.

This Scholars program allows students to start at a local community college while working for BMW part-time in order to further their education, gain the necessary hands-on experience, and become viable candidate for full-time positions at BMW. During this process, BMW will offer tuition assistance toward obtaining a two-year Associates Degree. Recruitment occurs in the spring and students who are selected begin working at BMW just before the beginning of fall semester. Students must have a 2.8 GPA. **Application Spring 2018.** Go to https://bmwgroup.jobs/en_us/Opportunities_Student/Undergraduate-Students-Scholars-Program for more information.

26. Dr. Pepper Tuition Giveaway

Scholarship Amount: Varies.

Tell your story in 350 characters or less and you have a chance to win! You must be at least 18 to enter. For more information and instructions go to <http://www.drpeppertuition.com/program-details>.

ROTC Scholarship – University of North Georgia



Did you know there are different types of Army ROTC scholarships available to your seniors at UNG? Recipients become Army lieutenants upon graduation from UNG with bachelor's degrees. If selected for active duty Army, starting salary is \$59,000 per year!

- General Army ROTC Scholarship (4-Year and 3-Year Advance-Designee)
- Arabic and Chinese Language Majors
- STEM Majors
- Guaranteed Reserve Force Duty (Army National Guard or Army Reserve)

What does the scholarship pay for?

- Tuition and Fees – or – Room and Board
- Monthly stipend (\$300/month freshman; \$350/month sophomore; \$450/month junior; \$500/month senior)
- \$1,200 per year book allowance
- Total value at UNG: \$59,000 for a 4-year scholarship, or \$45,000 for a 3-year advance-designee scholarship (benefits start sophomore year)

NOTE: Out of state Cadets pay in-state tuition! This saves your student over \$50,000 over Four years of college.



14K was the average financial aid received by undergrad students in the U.S. last year!

Bluffton High School Students Class of 2017 received \$7,669,259.00 in Scholarship Awards!

Palmetto Fellows 509,200.00
SC Life 2,980,600
SC Hope 89,600
Private and Military \$4,090,459

Top 10 Black-To-School Scholarships For Black and Minority Students in 2016/17



Nationwide -- It's that time of the year again! School is back in session, and high school seniors are being advised to start looking for and applying for available scholarships and internships. Every year, thousands of non-profit organizations, government agencies, and companies give away billions of dollars in financial aid. Quite a few of these programs are specifically for minority students - that is, African Americans, Hispanic American, Native Americans, Asian Americans, and sometimes even disabled students of all ethnicities.

Here are the top back-to-scholarships for Black and minority students in the 2015/16 school year:

#1 - [Tom Joyner Foundation "Full Ride" Scholarship](#): awards a full scholarship to one student to attend a Historically Black College and University (HBCU). The scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors with high academic records.

#2 - [Ron Brown Scholar Program](#): provides scholarship awards to African-American high school seniors who are excelling in their academics, exhibiting exceptional leadership potential, and actively serving in community service activities.

#3 - [Coca-Cola Scholars Program](#): a very competitive program for high school seniors throughout the United States. Sponsored by The Coca-Cola Company, the largest soft drink company in the world, the program awards millions every year in college funding.

#4 - [Apple HBCU Scholarship Program](#): offered to eligible college students who are in their final year of college at a HBCU institution. Eligible students include those who are majoring in Computer Science, Information Science/Technology, Mathematics, and/or Engineering.

#5 - [Amazon Student Scholarship](#): open to high school students who plan to attend college full-time. Students must plan to enter college in the Fall immediately after graduating from high school. This scholarship is based on merit, community service and leadership experience.

#6 - [Gates Millennium Scholars Program \(The Bill Gates Scholarship\) For Minority Students](#): awards scholarships each year to African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American or Hispanic American students who plan to enroll full-time in a two-year or four-year college or university program.

#7 - [CIA Graduate Scholarship Program](#): open to graduate students who are in their first or second year of graduate studies. All eligible graduate students may apply, and minorities and people with disabilities are particularly encouraged to apply.

#8 - [Xerox Technical Minority Scholarship](#): designed to help cultivate minority students for potential recruitment in the field of technology. The scholarship amount award depends on the student's tuition balance, academic excellence and classification.

#9 - [United Negro College Fund \(UNCF\) Scholarships](#): provide an extraordinary amount of scholarship opportunities for minority students with financial need. Scholarships include educational assistance for students attending participating Historically Black Colleges or Universities (HBCU) and other colleges as well.

#10 - [Buick Achievers Scholarship Program](#): awarded to students who excel in the classroom and give back to their communities. Special consideration is given to students who are female, minorities, first-generation college students, military veterans and military dependents.

Find hundreds of more 2015-2016 scholarships online at www.ScholarshipsOnline.org

Additional Scholarships Engines and Scholarship Programs

www.fastweb.com - leading online resource in finding scholarships to help you pay for school.

www.spokeo.com/scholarships/list - 50 scholarships - one easy location.

www.myscholly.com – mobile app that provides students with a fast and simple way to find scholarships for college

www.cashcourse.org – information for college students to stay financially informed

www.imfirst.org - First in the family college attendees

www.cksf.org – educational & scholarship opportunities for students of all levels

www.cappex.com – free website where you learn which colleges want you, before you apply

www.scholarships.com – free college scholarship search and financial aid information

www.scholarshipamerica.org – provides information and resources for your scholarship search

www.meritaid.com – free source for \$11 billion in merit aid scholarships from 1,000s of colleges

www.brokescholar.com – find scholarships and use tools to stay organized and make the process easier

www.knowhow2go.org – complete information on college prep, whether in middle school or seniors

www.hsf.net – largest provider of college financial aid for Latino students

www.latinocollegedollars.org – scholarship information for Latino students

www.thurgoodmarshallfund.net – provide scholarships, programmatic and capacity building support to the 47 public Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs)

www.gmsp.org – The Gates Millennium Scholars (GMS) Program provides outstanding low income African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American, and Hispanic American students with an opportunity to complete an undergraduate college education in any discipline they choose

www.apiasf.org/scholarship_apiasf.html – the nation's largest non-profit organization devoted to providing college scholarships for Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI)

www.collegefund.org – provides Native students with scholarships and financial support for the nation's 33 accredited tribal colleges and universities

www.dellscholars.org – Dell Scholars Program recognizes academic potential and determination in students that have a definite need for financial assistance

www.uncf.org – awards 10,000 students each year through 400 scholarship and internship programs so that students from low- and moderate-income families can afford college tuition, books and room and board

WeirdScholarships.net - features thousands of small and unique scholarship opportunities

www.ScholarshipOwl.com - ScholarshipOwl is an innovative platform designed to dramatically speed up your scholarship application time. All you have to do is fill out one application, and we'll do the rest. We'll match you with the award opportunities that best match your personality, grades, lifestyle, and more. Once you've narrowed down your options, we'll take the information from your initial application and put it into the appropriate places on the scholarships of your choice.

2017-18 SAT Test Dates & Registration Deadlines
Register at www.Collegeboard.org

Test Date	Registration Deadline
November 4, 2017	October 5, 2017
December 2, 2017	November 2, 2017
March 10, 2018	February 9, 2018
May 5, 2018	April 6, 2018
June 2, 2018	May 3, 2018

2017-2018 ACT Test Dates & Registration Deadlines
www.actstudent.org

Test Date	Registration Deadline
December 9, 2017	November 3, 2017
February 10, 2018	January 12, 2018
April 14, 2018	March 9, 2018
June 9, 2018	May 4, 2018
July 14, 2018	June 5, 2018

Registration fees are \$46 for the SAT \$60 for the SAT plus Writing, \$62.50 for the ACT (with writing). Current U.S. registration fees for SAT Subject tests are \$26.00 per test date plus \$21 for each test scheduled. (SAT Subject Language tests with listening are \$26 for each test scheduled.)

FEE WAIVERS: If a student receives free, reduced lunch or public assistance, he/she may take each the SAT and ACT twice for free while in high school. Also, if the student ever took the class AVID, member of Upward Bound, Education Talent, they are entitled to two fee waivers.

Important Dates

Date	Event	Location
<i>January 13, 2018</i>	<i>ASVAB (Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery) test will be administered during the month of January. Listen to morning announcements for sign-up information.</i>	<i>Bluffton High School 8:30</i>

Financial Aid 2017-18

FAFSA stands for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. It is requirement for financial assistance for many scholarships. You have nothing to lose and everything to gain by completing the FAFSA!

There are Five FAFSA Facts to be aware of:

- Must fill out to be eligible
- Can be filled out in October of child's senior year
- Filled out or renewed every year
- Some colleges require additional forms such as the CSS Financial Aid PROFILE
- The FAFSA is free and can be completed online at www.fafsa.ed.gov

South Carolina Scholarship Information!!!!

Many colleges and universities also offer merit scholarships to highly qualified students. Check the financial aid portion of their web site to learn details from each school.

Below is an overview of what South Carolina has to offer college-bound students that will help put you on the road to educational success:

The LIFE Scholarship Program – The Legislative Incentive for Future Excellence Scholarship is a merit-based scholarship program available at public and independent colleges and universities in South Carolina. The scholarship is available to both undergraduate and graduate students.

The Lottery Tuition Assistance Program – This program puts South Carolina's lottery money to work in the states higher educational system. Funding varies depending upon year and type of institution, and students must demonstrate the requisite level of financial need to be eligible for tuition assistance.

The Palmetto Fellows Scholarship Program – This scholarship program was developed to help retain South Carolina's most talented students, and keep them studying and working within the state. College freshman are eligible for up to \$6700 in scholarship funds, with sophomores and juniors eligible for up to \$7500. Students studying critical need subjects like mathematics and science may be eligible for as much as \$10000 in scholarship awards.

SC Need-Based Grant - This grant program provides much needed financial aid to South Carolina's neediest students. Students are eligible for awards up to \$2500, and must be enroll in full or part time studies at an accredited state college.

SC HOPE Scholarship – Funded by the states lottery income, the HOPE scholarship is a merit-based program targeting students who do not qualify for the LIFE or Palmetto scholarships. Eligible students must have a solid academic record, and must be enrolled in a four-year undergraduate program at a South Carolina college or university. Awards vary from year to year.

The South Carolina Graduate Incentive Scholarship – This program offers 'forgivable loans' to minority students pursuing graduate studies in those fields in which they have been historically underrepresented. Full time students are eligible for up to \$15,000 in forgivable loan money to be put towards their graduate, doctoral and professional degree studies.

National Guard College Assistance Program - The South Carolina National Guard College Assistance Program (SCNG CAP) established in 2007, offers financial assistance to members of the South Carolina Army and Air National Guard by providing incentives for enlisting or remaining for a specified time in either the South Carolina Army or Air National Guard (SCNG). SCNG CAP is administered by the Commission on Higher Education along with the South Carolina National Guard. SCNG CAP recipients may receive up to a maximum of four thousand five hundred dollars (\$4,500) for the Army National Guard and up to a maximum of nine thousand dollars (\$9,000) for the Air National Guard per year. The cumulative total of all college assistance program benefits received may not exceed eighteen thousand dollars (\$18,000).

General Information

Extension of Out of State Tuition Waivers to Bordering States

Georgia colleges accepting out-of-state waivers to receive in-state tuition are listed below. Any students receiving the Border Residents waiver will remain qualified for the waiver, so long as they are continuously enrolled at the institution that awarded it.

Institutions Approved for Implementation for fall 2016:

Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College
Albany State University
Armstrong State University
Bainbridge State College
College of Coastal Georgia
Darton State College
Georgia Southwestern State University
Savannah State University
South Georgia State College
Valdosta State University 2

Southern Regional Education Board

The Southern Regional Education Board allows South Carolina residents who are enrolled in specific programs at public out-of-state institutions to be charged in-state tuition. Visit: www.SREB.org for more information. Eligible programs are those programs, which are at least 50% different in curricular content than programs offered in South Carolina. Participating states are Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and West Virginia (Florida & Texas participate at the graduate level only).

College Board

The College Board recently added additional partnerships with scholarship providers. Students taking the PSAT/NMSQT now have increased access to nearly \$180 million in combined annual awards for low-income and minority students. Starting with the class of 2015 the following organizations will be using PSAT data to find eligible students: UNCF, Hispanic Scholarship Fund, APASF, Jack Kent Cooke Foundation, and American Indian Graduate Center. Go to www.deliveringopportunity.org/scholarships.

Please contact the guidance staff below for additional questions regarding scholarships:

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