



Coral Reef High School Scholarship Bulletin October 2009

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SCHOLARSHIPS AS OF 10/19/09

AIA/AAF Minority/Disadvantages Scholarship

Open to high school seniors who will be studying architecture at an NAAB accredited program. Financial need is considered.

20 awards - \$500-2500

Applications will be available on-line later in September.

<http://www.archfoundation.org/aaf/aaf/Programs.Fellowships.htm>

All-ink.com College Scholarship Program

Students attending college Spring 2007 or fall 2007 term / Minimum 2.5 GPA. \$10,000 in total award money. For more information go to: <http://www.all-ink.com/scholarship.aspx>

Deadline: December 31, 2009

American Academy of Neurology

Neuroscience Creativity Prize for High School Students

Research prize is \$1000 to 4 high school students. For more information go to:

<http://www.aan.com/science/awards/?fuseaction=home.info&id=11>

Deadline: November 3, 2009

The American Chemical Society Scholarships

Offering a maximum of \$3,000 per year. To be considered a candidate, students should meet the following criteria: African-American, Hispanic/Latino, or American Indian; U.S. citizen or permanent resident of the U.S.; full-time student at an accredited college, university, or community college; high academic achievers in chemistry or science, (Grade Point Average 3.0, "B" or better); able to demonstrate evidence of financial need according to FAFSA form (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) and the Student Aid Report (SAR) form; a graduating high school senior, college freshman, sophomore or junior intending to

or already majoring in chemistry, biochemistry, chemical engineering or a chemically-related science and planning a career in the chemical sciences or chemical technology. For more information go to: [ACS Scholarship Program](#)

Deadline: March 1, 2010

American Federation of County and Municipal Employees

Award of \$2,000

To be eligible, you must:

- Be a graduating high school senior in 2009
- Be a daughter, son or financially dependent grandchild of an active or retired AFSCME member.
- Be an applicant to an accredited college or university and subsequently accepted as a full-time student in a four year degree program.

For more information, go to the website at www.afscme.org for full details, requirements, and procedures for applying

Deadline: December 31, 2009

The AIA/AAF Minority/Disadvantaged Scholarship

Awards (20) \$500-\$2,500 This scholarship is for a High school senior **PLANNING TO STUDY ARCHITECTURE AT AN NAAB ACCREDITED SCHOOL** (visit www.naab.org for a list of eligible schools). Nomination & recommendation must be from an architect, AIA component, counselor or teacher, community design center or director of a community or civic organization. **Applications will be available soon. Check back with <http://www.archfoundation.org/aaf/aaf/Programs.Fellowships.htm>**

Deadline: January 15, 2010

Army ROTC/U.S. Army

The high school Four-Year Scholarship is for high school students planning on attending a four-year college program. . Go to the website for full details, requirements, and procedures for applying at: <http://www.goarmy.com/rotc/>

ARRL Foundation the National Association for Amateur Radio

The ARRL Foundation administers scholarships for **post secondary education students** holding a valid FCC-granted Amateur Radio license. Scholarship awards range from \$500 to \$5000 or more. Scholarships are funded by generous individuals and Amateur Radio organizations to encourage radio amateurs to pursue their educational goals. All ARRL Foundation-administered scholarships are intended exclusively for educational use, to provide assistance with costs of tuition, room, board, books and/or other fees essential to the education of the recipient. Application instructions and forms are only available at: www.arrlf.org/programs/scholarship . There are two application forms, the General Scholarship Application and a separate application for the Goldfarb Scholarship. Amount: \$500-\$5000.

Deadline: February 1, 2010

AXA Achievement Scholarship

AXA will be awarding \$670,000 in scholarships to students who have demonstrated high achievement through their accomplishments in high school. You may also download and print the application at:

<http://www.axa-equitable.com/axa-foundation/AXA-achievement-scholarship.html>

Deadline: December 15, 2009

BigSun Scholarship

The BigSun Organization is proud to be able to continue to help young athletes succeed in their academic pursuits. We are offering an annual scholarship to a deserving student. All student athletes are eligible for this award, regardless of which sport they are participating in. **Amount of Award** - \$500.00 *the successful applicant will be a high school senior or be attending a post secondary institute and currently involved in some sport at that institution.* Please visit our website at <http://www.bigsunathletics.com> to learn how to apply.

Deadline: June 24, 2010

Burger King Scholars Program

High School Senior. Minimum 2.5 GPA. Work part time an average of 15 hours per week. Maintain good conduct and attitude in school and on the job. Participation in community service or co-curricular activities. Financial Need. Guidelines and application available at: http://www.haveyourwayfoundation.org/bksp_qualifications.html

Award: \$1000

Deadline: February 1, 2010

Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation

Each year 250 college scholarships are awarded to high school seniors totaling \$1,800,000. There will be 50 awards at \$20,000, payable in equal installments over a four-year period. The remaining 200 awards are for \$4,000 also payable over four years. You can find information and the application online at: <http://www.coca-colascholars.org/> or call them at 800-306-2653

Deadline: October 31, 2009

The College STEPS Program

2009-2010 Scholarship Sweepstakes any current U.S. Resident who is **a high school senior during the 2009-2010 school year, who graduates from high school in 2009 and who enrolls in the College STEPS Program \$1000 to each of 100 winners. Monthly drawings starting in July 2009**

http://www.wellsfargo.com/student/planning/started/scholarships/steps?_requestid=45580

Final deadline is May 31, 2010

Common Knowledge Scholarships

Developed and administered at Nova Southeastern University, the Common Knowledge Scholarship Foundation (CKSF) awards scholarships to students through Internet-based quiz competitions. CKSF reward students for demonstrating what they know. There is no essay writing or long applications to complete. Students receive scholarship awards based on common knowledge and basic education curricula. Students **in grades 9 –12 (must live in Broward, Dade, of Monroe County)** can go on line and register to compete at www.cksf.org

Deadlines vary

David Mann Scholarship – Mensa David Mann Scholarship - Mensa

Plan of study in Aeronautical Engineering or an Aerospace field. Essay Contest. Applicant should go to web address to see if they live in the eligible zip code for scholarship. Guidelines and application available at: www.merf.us.mensa.org

Deadline: January 15, 2010

Elks National Foundation - 2009 Most Valuable Student Scholarship Competition

Only students who are ranked in the top 5% of their class may apply. Must have leadership, club involvement, and community service and prove financial need. Applications and supporting documents must be turned into the North Miami Elks Lodge #1835 at: 12494 NE 2nd Avenue, North Miami, FL 33161. Applications are available on line at: <http://www.elks.org/enf/scholars/mvs.cfm>

Deadline: November 2, 2009

Ford Salute to Education

Must be a Senior; weighted GPA of 3.0 or above; participation in at least one school organization/activity or one area of community service; legal resident in the US and Miami-Dade County. Leadership, achievement, character, financial need, and the individual's use of these traits in service to his or her school and the community are also given consideration. May apply in ONE of the following 10 categories: Athletics, Foreign Language, Language Arts, Leadership/Service, Mathematics/Computer Science, Natural Science, Performing Arts, Social Science, Visual Arts, or Vocational/Technical). 100 recipients receive \$1,000 (There will be 11 recipients per category, each receiving a scholarship of \$1,000.). Apply online at www.stescholarships.org and create a username and password. You may edit your application until the deadline of January 27, 2010. You must print a copy of the application for your records. You also must print and fill out the Application Verification Form and obtain the necessary signature from the CAP Advisor.

Deadline: January 27, 2010

FSU Service Scholar Program

Seniors who Plan to attend Florida State University. Outstanding record of service. Will continue to enhance learning through service. Essay. Letters of Recommendation. Information and Application available at: www.thecenter.fsu.edu

Deadline: December 11, 2009

Gates Millennium Scholars

Seniors. African American, Hispanic American, American Indian/Alaska Native or Asian Pacific American. US Citizen. Entering a US college as full-time, degree seeking student. Minimum 3.3 GPA. Significant financial need. Pell grant eligible. Demonstrate leadership abilities. Nomination process consists of Nominator, Nominee and Recommender. Forms and information at: <http://www.gmsp.org> Amount: Full tuition & expenses.

All online applications must be submitted by January 11, 2010 11:59 p.m. EST

Gen and Kelly Tanabe Scholarship

9th-12th grade high school, college, or graduate student including adult students. Legal resident of the U.S. Currently in school or planning to start school within the next 12 months. Essay. Financial need is not considered. The selection of the winner is based primarily on the quality of the submitted personal statement. Application must be completed online: <http://www.gkscholarship.com>

Deadline: December 31 (fall) July 31 (spring)

George Fisher/JPCI Scholarship

(1) graduating seniors from high school or enrolled high school juniors. (2) currently enrolled non-graduating undergraduates who have completed a minimum of twelve college credit hours and (3) non-graduating graduate and professional students majoring in

education, health care, political science, public service, or public administration. *Involved in a cultural and/or service organization - *2.5 minimum GPA - *Exemplifies a commitment to cultural awareness, fostering change, and building relationships - *Dedication to serving the community - *Majoring in a degree leading to a helping profession (i.e. teaching, public service, etc). Award Amount: \$ 1500

<http://www.juneteenth-fortsmith.org/public-scholarship.shtml>

Deadline: December 10, 2009

George M. Brooker Collegiate Scholarship for Minorities

The George M. Brooker Scholarship provides tuition assistance to minority college students who plan to enter real estate management and make it their career. Applicants for the scholarship must demonstrate academic excellence. This scholarship was named in memory of George M. Brooker, an African-American CPM from New York City.

Two \$1,000 scholarships are available each year for undergraduate students. [Download the George M. Brooker Collegiate Scholarship for Minorities Application](#)

Deadline: March 31, 2010.

Henry Morrison Flagler Scholarship

High School Senior planning to attend Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College. Florida Resident. Florida Bright Futures Eligible. Must be nominated by a school official. Demonstrate leadership, integrity, courage and vigor. Essay. Transcripts. Resume. Information available at: http://wise.fau.edu/divdept/honcol/financial_flagler.html

Deadline: December 15, 2009

Hispanic Scholarship Fund

The Hispanic Scholarship Fund is the nation's preeminent organization supporting Hispanic higher education. Founded in 1975 as a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization, HSF's vision is to strengthen the country by advancing college education among Hispanic Americans. In support of its mission to double the rate of Hispanics earning college degrees, HSF provides the Latino community more college scholarships and educational outreach support than any other organization in the country. For more information on available scholarships, please go to: http://www.hsf.net/Scholarships.aspx?id=72&ekmense=c580fa7b_10_0_72_1

Deadline: February 18, 2010

Horatio Alger Florida Scholarship Program

Financial need. Annual family income under \$50,000. Essay. Involvement in co-curricular and community activities. Strong commitment to pursuing a bachelor's degree. US Citizen. Apply on line at: <https://www.horatioalger.org/scholarships/index.cfm> Amount: \$2,500 (please cut and paste if the link does not work)

Deadline: October 30, 2009

Imagine America

Graduating seniors who are pursuing postsecondary education at participating career colleges. Likelihood of successful completion of postsecondary education, 2.5 or higher GPA, demonstrated financial need, demonstrated leadership or voluntary community services within the last year. Student should review website for complete details, submission instructions, directions for schools to register, list of participating schools, and online application: <http://www.imagine-america.org>.

Deadline: December 31, 2009

The Ithaca Martin Luther King Jr. Scholarship Program

Apply online for Ithaca College, and complete the MLK Scholar application, two essays, recommendations. Student should review website for complete details, Ithaca admission forms (Common Application and Ithaca Supplement), scholarship forms, essay guidelines, and submission instructions: <http://www.ithaca.edu/mlk/program/>

Deadline: January 02, 2010 (for Ithaca) January 15, 2010 (scholarship application)

Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship

African American, academic merit, leadership, community service are all considered for this \$7,000 per year scholarship. Go to <http://www.jackierobinson.org/> for application and information.

KFC Colonel's Scholarship Program

Scholarships for up to \$5,000 per year for tuition, fees, books, room and travel. For graduating seniors who have maintained at least a 2.75 GPA or higher. For more information please go to www.kfcscholars.org

Applications will be available from December 1, 2009 to February 10, 2010.

Mas Family Scholarships

Awards available to graduating Cuban-American Seniors. Amount of award is based on financial need. For more information, contact the Jorge Mas Canosa Freedom Foundation @ (305) 592-7768 OR FAX (305) 592-7768.

MetroPCS Community Scholars Program

High School Seniors attending a public high school in Broward, Miami-Dade, and Palm Beach County. Applicant must demonstrate a commitment to volunteerism, community service and academic excellence. Plan to enroll in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited college or university. Minimum 3.0 GPA. Information and application is available at: <http://www.metropcs.com/scholarship>

National Association of Secondary School Principals

This scholarship award affords high school principals the opportunity to recognize a student leader by nominating him or her for a national scholarship. Scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$12,000 will be awarded to 100 outstanding seniors **New!** All nominees must now use the online nomination process. The Access Key is: **PLA**. Print out the Online Nomination Form Procedures posted below and follow all instructions. www.principals.org/pla

Deadline: December 5, 2009

National Multiple Sclerosis Society Scholarship Program

For highly qualified students who have been diagnosed with MS or who have a parent with MS. For more information about this scholarship, please go to:

<http://www.nationalmssociety.org/get-involved/programs-and-services/scholarship/index.aspx>

Deadline: January 15, 2010

NROTC Scholarship Program

US citizen between 17-23. Allows the student to earn a degree and they can choose from over 160 colleges across the nation to attend.

Minimum SAT 530 Reading, 520 Math or Minimum ACT 21 Math, 22 English.
Recommendation letters. Essays. For full details and online application see website at:
<http://www.navy.com/careers/nrotc/>

Prudential Spirit of community Awards

The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards honor young people in middle level and high school grades for outstanding volunteer service to their communities. You can apply online for The 2009 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards! Click below to start, continue or check the status of an online application.

[Apply Now](#)

To learn more about this scholarship, go to: www.prudential.com/spirit

Deadline: November 2, 2009

Ron Brown Scholarship Program

Award is \$10,000 annually for 4 years, for a total of \$40,000. Awards are for academically talented, highly motivated African-Americans who also demonstrate financial need. Web: <http://www.ronbrown.org/Apply/ApplicationDownload.aspx>

Application Deadline: The Ron Brown Scholar Program currently has two deadlines for applications (students must be current high school seniors at the time of their application):

November 1st (postmarked) —application will be considered for the Ron Brown Scholar Program and forwarded to a select and limited number of additional colleges and scholarship providers.

January 9th (postmarked)—final deadline in order to be considered for only the Ron Brown Scholar Program...

Ronald A. Hammond, Golden Drum Scholarship Application

20 Full-tuition scholarships for attendance at either **FIU or UM**. Must be graduating senior of **Black/African descent**, a citizen and FL resident. See the on-line application for requirements. You may also download and print the application at to FIU at <http://www.fiu.edu/~mpas/>.

Deadline: January 31, 2010

Ronald McDonald House Scholarships

Applications are now available on-line at <http://rmhc.org/programs/rmhc-national-scholarship-program>. **Password is RMHC**. Eligible candidates must meet the following criteria:

- * RMHC/HACER Scholarship: Must have at least one parent of Hispanic origin
- * RMHC/Future Achievers Scholarship: Must have at least one parent of African-American origin or Black Caribbean heritage
- * RMHC/Scholars: ALL Students may apply regardless of ethnic heritage. Note: Asian, African American and Hispanic students are welcome to apply for the RMHC Scholars program provided they have not applied for one of the two scholarship programs listed above.
- * Must be a legal US resident
- * Must be eligible to enroll and attend an institution of higher education or a vocational/technical school
- * Plan to enroll at an accredited post-secondary education institution during the academic year following their graduation
- * Reside in Monroe, Miami-Dade, Broward, West Palm Beach Counties and Treasure Coast
- * Recipients are selected based on academic achievement, financial need, community service, and, personal qualities and strengths as portrayed in a required essay.

Deadline: February 16, 2010

Sam Walton Community Scholarship

Graduating high school senior. Plan to attend an accredited US college or university. Financial Need. Academic Achievement. Extracurricular Activities. Community Involvement. Students must obtain a local Walmart store number at www.walmart.com to access web application. Apply on line. Information at: <http://www.walmartfoundation.org>
Award: \$1,000

Deadline: January 14, 2010

Scholarships for Military Children

See their website at: <http://www.militaryscholar.org/>
The 2009 Scholarship Program will open on November 3rd, 2009

The Society of Automotive Engineers - SAE Engineering Scholarships

See information on file for deadlines and details for each award being offered by participating universities. All applicants must: Intend to enroll in an engineering program (refer to scholarship descriptors) accredited by [ABET](http://www.abet.org). Be a citizen of the United States (not permanent resident) at the date of application. Be a high school senior at the time of application (Sept. 1 - Dec. 1). Meet minimum requirements with regard to grade point average, SAT and/or ACT scores as outlined in the individual requirements of each scholarship. Students are encouraged to retrieve the application and information on-line at: <http://www.sae.org/students/engschlr.htm>

Deadline: December 15, 2009

Southern Scholarship Foundation

The Southern Scholarship Foundation was established to provide outstanding students needing financial assistance with an opportunity to obtain a college education. The Foundation provides rent-free housing to deserving students in a cooperative living environment. The SSF currently operates scholarship houses at [Florida State University](http://www.southernstate.edu), [Florida A&M](http://www.floridastate.edu), [Bethune-Cookman](http://www.bethune.edu), [Florida Gulf Coast University](http://www.floridagulfcoast.edu). Additional information can be obtained by going to their website at: <http://www.southern scholarship.org/> or by calling 850.222.3832

Deadline – March 1, 2010

SunTrust Off To College Scholarship

High school seniors can win a \$1,000 scholarship for first year expenses at an accredited college or private career school. One winner will be chosen every two weeks from October 30, 2009 through May 14, 2010. Students can begin registering September 14, 2009 and the first drawing will be held on October 30th. It's FREE to enter and eligibility is not based on GPA or financial need. Each \$1,000 scholarship check will be payable to the winner's school of attendance. Only one entry per person for each drawing; however, you can register after each drawing for the next one. For complete details and application go to: www.offtocollege.info

United Negro College Fund

Since 1985, the UNCF Scholarships and Grants Administration office has awarded in scholarship assistance over \$105 million to over 28,000 students enrolled in its 39 member colleges and universities and other HBCUs and majority institutions as well. We provide support in numerous ways to a variety of constituencies. [Learn more about scholarships](http://www.uncf.org/forstudents/index.asp)
<http://www.uncf.org/forstudents/index.asp>

Deadlines vary

Young Epidemiology Scholars Competition

Scholarships awarded for up to \$50,000. For more information, go to their website at:

www.collegeboard.com/yes

February 1, 2010

NSA Educational Scholarship Program

http://www.nsa.gov/careers/opportunities_4_u/students/stokes.shtml

For High school students

About the Program

With the Stokes Program, you work during the summer at NSA in areas related to your course of study. If you are selected as a program participant, you are required to work for NSA after your college graduation for at least one-and-one-half times the length of study.

*This program is also open to college sophomores who are majoring in Arabic, Chinese, Farsi, or Korean.

Qualifications for High School Students – You must major in Computer Science or Computer/Electrical Engineering and meet the following requirements:

- Must be a U.S. citizen
- Eligible to be granted a security clearance
- A high school senior at the time of application
- A minimum SAT/College Board score of 1600 (1100 Critical Reading and Math, 500 in Writing), or ACT of 25
- A preferred GPA of 3.0 or above on a 4.0 scale
- Demonstrated leadership abilities

Benefits

- Tuition at the college of your choice
- Reimbursement for books and certain fees
- Housing and travel entitlements during summer employment (if the distance between NSA and the school exceeds 75 miles)
- Year-round salary
- Employment with NSA after graduation

You must be a U.S. citizen

>>>You must be a high school senior at time of application or a college sophomore

- You must achieve a minimum 1100 SAT/College Board score in reading and math, or 25 ACT score
- You must have at least a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale
- You must demonstrate leadership abilities

Deadline November 30th

Essay contests

American Essay Contest

2009-2010 Theme: **What Memorial Day Means to Me**. FRA's Essay Contest is open to all students' grades 7 through 12. Each entrant must be sponsored by an FRA member in good standing or by a currently chartered branch or unit. \$2,000-10,000 in Savings Bonds for each grade category

<http://www.fra.org/Content/fra/AboutFRA/EssayContest/default.cfm>

Deadline: December 1, 2009

Colgate-Palmolive Company & Hispanic Heritage Foundation's Haz la U Essay Contest

Education grants to aspiring Latinos students to help pay for college expenses. Submit a short essay (500 words or less) on the following topic: How do you think education can impact the Heritage of Hispanic generations to come? Essay can be submitted online. Students should review website for complete details, frequently asked questions, and submission instructions: <http://www.colgate.com/app/Colgate/US/Corp/CommunityPrograms/Haz-La-U/Apply.cvsp>

Deadline: November 30, 2009

First Freedom Student Competition essay contest

9th - 12th grade students
\$750-\$3,000

Online Registration Deadline: Monday, November 23, 2009

Postmark Entry Deadline: Saturday, November 28, 2009

<http://www.firstfreedom.org/education/students.html>

Gen and Kelly Tanabe Scholarship

9th-12th grade high school, college, or graduate student including adult students. Legal resident of the U.S. Currently in school or planning to start school within the next 12 months. Essay. Financial need is not considered. The selection of the winner is based primarily on the quality of the submitted personal statement. Application must be completed online: for more information, please go to

<http://www.gkscholarship.com>

The award is \$1000.

Deadline: December 31, 2009

The Holocaust Remembrance Project

A national essay contest for students in the 9th - 12th grade and are US citizens. First place winners will receive a 5-day all expense paid trip to Washington, D.C. and have a chance to win a scholarship ranging from \$1000 - \$5000.

For more information go to <http://holocaust.hklaw.com>

Deadline: April 30, 2010

John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest

HS students. Original essay about an elected official who has demonstrated political courage. Student should show an understanding of political courage as described by John F. Kennedy in *Profiles in Courage*. Student should review website for complete details, essay guidelines, online registration form and submission instructions: <http://www.jfklibrary.org/Education+and+Public>

Awards \$500- \$10,000

Deadline: January 2010

The Omega Psi Phi Fraternity National HS Essay Contest

Open to all college-bound HS seniors. Essay, 700-750 words entitled "How Has President Obama Influenced Your Career Goals and Aspirations?" Students should review the website and application for essay guidelines, rating criteria, and submission instructions: <http://www.omega10thdistrict.org/> See BRACE Advisor for local chapter application.

Deadline: November 01, 2009

INSTITUTIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

* Check out <http://www.guaranteed-scholarships.com/> for a comprehensive listing of institutional scholarships offered by a number of colleges and universities. <http://www.college-scholarships.com> also has a number of links to private and institutional scholarships.

Clemson University

Offers a variety of merit-based academic scholarships ranging from \$500 per year up to full tuition and fees. Students who rank in the top 10% of their class and have an SAT score of 1300+ (30+ ACT) will be competitive for one or more of these awards. <http://virtual.clemson.edu/groups/finaid/scholarships1.htm>

Colby Scholars Program

Nominations may be submitted through personal letters or on special forms available from the College. Nominations should include specific information on the quality of academic performance, personal activities, and other accomplishments of the candidates. Nominations should be received by November 15 for early decision I candidates and by January 1 for early decision II and regular decision candidates. http://www.colby.edu/admissions_cs/financial_aid/scholarships2.cfm

Davidson Belk Scholarship

You are invited to nominate one student for the John Montgomery Belk Scholarship. Nominations must be submitted by **November 15**. December 1 is the deadline for preferred completion of the application. Approximately thirty students will be selected as finalists and they will be invited to campus in March for interviews and a celebration of their success. For more information, go to: <http://www3.davidson.edu/cms/x32703.xml> you may also see my office clip board with more information.

Defiance College

Is seeking nominations for its Presidential Service Leadership Award. Students with a history of commitment to volunteer service with a minimum 2.5 GPA, an ACT of 21 or SAT of 970. For additional information, please call 800-520-4632. or on the web at http://www.defiance.edu/pages/FA_scholarships_and_awards.html

FAU Honors College Flagler Scholarship

Must be a senior; planning to attend FAU Honors College; nominated by high school. The scholarship covers full tuition, room and board, and four summer enrichment programs. The Deadline is December 15, 2007. Finalists are notified of their status and invited to the campus for interviews on December 1, 2007. For more information and a nomination form, please visit the college website at: http://www.fau.edu/divdept/honcol/financial_flagler.html

Florida Southern College

In order to be considered, students must be Florida residents. Some scholarships require interviews, while the majority does not. More than half of the awards and scholarships have a 3.0 or higher GPA requirement. They are all given to freshman. The scholarships and awards range from academic scholarships to art, theater, and athletic scholarships. As little as \$500 and as great as \$8,000 are given every year. More information can be gained by

calling 800-205-1600. For information online, go to their website:
<http://www.flsouthern.edu/finaid/scholarships.htm>

Skidmore College

The Annual Filene Foundation Music Competition. Winners will be awarded \$10,000 each year to cover college expenses. You can learn more about the Filene Foundation Music Competition by going to <http://www.skidmore.edu/academics/music/scholarships/Filene-index.htm>

University of Miami: Ronald A. Hammond Scholarship for Minority Students

This merit based, full-tuition scholarship for entering freshmen is awarded to exceptionally well-qualified Florida high seniors who are from an underrepresented background. Recipients of this scholarship will promote Dr. Martin Luther King's dream of a unified America and demonstrate a commitment to increasing opportunities for underrepresented minorities, breaking down stereotypes and enabling others to better understand persons of different races and ethnicities. Approximately 20 of these prestigious scholarships are awarded each year.

More information, go to their website at <http://www6.miami.edu/hammond/>

Deadline: January 15, 2010

University of North Florida Scholarship Opportunities

Seniors who plan to attend the University of North Florida and meet required SAT and/or ACT scores and GPA. Students are automatically considered for all merit-based scholarships. Priority Deadline: November 1st. complete admissions application. More at: http://www.unf.edu/finaid/scholarships/fl_fr_academic.html

University of South Florida Scholarship Opportunities

Seniors who plan to attend the University of South Florida and meet required SAT and/or ACT scores and GPA. Students are automatically considered for all merit scholarships if their admission application meets the deadline. Amount: varies. For more information please visit the website: http://usfweb2.usf.edu/admissions/freshman_scholarships.htm

Deadline: January 2, 2010

University of West Florida

All scholarships are for **Florida residents only**. Scholarships are given on the basis of high school academic records and SAT/ACT Scores. **Non-Florida Tuition Grants are given to freshman and transfers for \$5,000 per academic year**. Scholarships are also **given based on athletics for 13 varsity sports**. More information can be received at 850-474-2934 or www.uwf.edu. Visit website to check out the University of West Florida's 2007-2008 Application for the John C. Pace Jr. Scholars Award. Please call 800-263-1074 or visit www.uwf.edu. The application deadline is February 2006 and the scholarship is a four-year \$20,000 scholarship for full-time incoming freshman that are Florida residents.

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ON THE INTERNET SCHOLARSHIPS

<http://www.fastweb.com/>

<http://www.blackexel.org/linl4.htm><http://www.absolutelyscholarships.com/exec/scholarship>

<http://www.instudentloan.com/college-scholarships.html>

<http://www.freschinfo.com>
<http://www.scholarships.geoportals.com/>
<http://www.collegefunds.net/free-scholarships.html>
<http://www.scholarship-page.com>

FINANCIAL AID

<http://www.fafsa.ed.gov> This is the website used to file for financial aid. NOTE: **THE NEW FORM WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE UNTIL LATE JANUARY OF 2010**

<http://www.ed.gov/studentaid> this site contains the website Funding Your Education.

<http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org> this is where you register for Florida Bright Futures as well as other Florida state grants and scholarships – **YOU CANNOT REGISTER BEFORE DECEMBER 1, 2009.**

* Try out this website: <http://www.facts.org> it has all kinds of information about Florida colleges as well as a career search database. You can apply on line to a number of universities as well as see how the state universities evaluate your transcripts as well as your eligibility for Bright Futures.

This is a web site maintained by the University of Illinois that contains links to the various college ranking services: (this is good) <http://www.library.uiuc.edu/edx/rankabout.htm>

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College Searches

FACTS.org

College Board:
[ACT:](http://ACT.org)

Princeton Review:

EduPrep:

Search for colleges,
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College and scholarship
searches

YOUR COLLEGE SEARCH: SENIORS, TIME TO BEGIN YOUR COLLEGE SEARCHES.... If you haven't already!!!!

Now that school has started - guess what!!! It's time to spend some time in some preparation for that next big step in life - COLLEGE. There is no better time than now to begin your college search. USE THE INTERNET, I believe it's one of the best tools out there in the daunting task of finding the best college for you. Depending on if you want to go out of state or stay in sunny Florida, here are just a few things you should look for in weeding out the number of choices available to you.

1. LOCATION: how about snow - big cities - rural farmland - beaches - mountains - staying close to home - getting as far away as possible - different people - different cultures - plenty of activities or plenty of study time - fading into the crowd or standing out with the few - close personal attention or being left to sink or swim. Each college or university has their own personality. By doing your own investigation, you may find out what college environment best suits YOU. YOUR own personal success is often determined by how comfortable and happy you are in your new environment.

2. ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS: know your deadline dates!!!! know if either early action or early decision are offered - letters of recommendation and essays - know what their mid-range GPA and SAT/ACT scores are - determine if you match the qualifications a college is looking for and your chances of getting accepted!!!! Know what type of application is preferred by the admissions department - know what financial aid forms are required.

3. COSTS: Get an idea of what tuition, room/board, books etc will cost you and your family. This is a great time to learn about financial aid and how it works ----- most importantly, talk this over with your parents, know what they can afford then do some soul searching to determine what you will have to do to make up any shortages. Investigate what you may qualify for in financial aid. Check out what institutional aid is available - know what GPA and SAT/ACT scores are required to qualify for an institutional scholarship. All institutions are different and many offer great awards to worthy students. NOW is the time to do your research.

4. TESTING: If your SAT or ACT scores are a few points off the mark, NOW is the time to plan to retake these tests. Remember state university minimums: SAT >>> 440 Math / 440 Critical Reading / 440 Writing >>> ACT >>> 17 English / 18 Reading / 19 Math - please retake if you have failed to meet state minimums. Now when you register for the SAT, or ACT, please go ahead and put down the 4 colleges you want your scores sent to (it's FREE). A lot of time will be wasted if you fail to do so.

- PLAN out your strategy prior to the date that your COLLEGE APPLICATION is due.

4. ACADEMICS: This should be simple – right? Always allow yourself some flexibility. Just know that most small or liberal arts colleges may offer a limited number of programs and majors. That's fine if you are sure you know what you want to study. Not so good if you want to study Sports Medicine and they don't offer it!

Knowledge for College:

Art and Design Colleges:

College Accreditation:

Colleges that Change Lives:

Florida Health Careers:

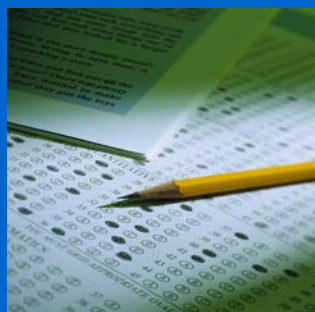
Colleges in the UK:

Virtual College Tours:

College Confidential
College View

Occupational Outlook
Handbook

The common Application:



TESTING

Here are some websites that provide SAT and ACT preparation

Number2.com

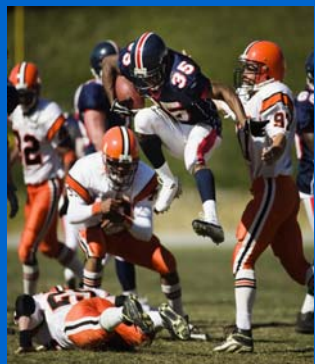
Max the Test

Princeton Review

State University Minimums:

SAT: Math: 440 / Verbal: 440
/ writing: 440

ACT: 17 English / 18 Reading
19 Math



Universities (universal) usually offer a wide variety of programs and majors. If you are like most college students, you may end up changing your major several times. Universities may offer the flexibility that a changing mind needs.

When you have developed a list of colleges, please plan a visit. Call ahead to arrange a tour. Pay attention to the atmosphere of the college as well as the students who attend there. Visit a class if possible; ask about institutional scholarships as well as financial aid. Most importantly, get a feel as to how you as a person will fit into the college culture and if it will meet your scholastic as well as career goals. GOOD LUCK!

What ever you do, please consider the tremendous impact that a careful college choice will have on you and your future. If you are not sure where to begin, try some of the websites for college searches that I have listed @ On the Web.

NOW IS THE TIME.... IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS....PLEASE

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Choosing a Free College

By Claudine Vainrub, MBA and Principal of EduPlan

How to choose a College that will not Bankrupt me

At this time of the year, seniors and even graduate admissions candidates are thinking about their college and graduate school options. Being that the economy has hit many of us hard this year; the choices might not seem as abundant as when our family income is higher. So how do we evaluate the best college and grad school options for a tight budget? Here are some things you can do to enhance your chances of choosing programs that will allow you an outstanding education, while not making you go bankrupt in the process:

For more information on this topic, go to: <http://eduplan.us/choosing-a-free-college/>

Early Decision versus Early Action:

First of all, is it important to realize that the traditional definition of Early Decision vs. Early Action is being redefined. The definitions below are the traditional definitions. My best recommendation is that you clearly understand the definition of these terms for the colleges that you are planning to apply to.

Early Decision (binding admission)

Pro: Great option if you believe your choice is the one and only and that you would be unhappy any other place. Admission people love Early Decision because it commits a greater number of students to their incoming freshman class. Your chances of being accepted ED is much higher than Early Action and Regular Admissions. Notification usually comes within a month or so after the deadline. Remember that if you apply ED at one college, you cannot apply ED at another. For other colleges I recommend that you apply EA, or regular.

Con: Early Decision is not for everyone. I would not consider ED if there is going to be a great need for financial aid. One drawback comes when you receive your financial aid award letter and realize that you cannot afford to go to your first choice. It gets worse since you must withdraw all other applications. You may end up scrambling to apply to your secondary schools at a late date.

Early Action (non-binding)

Pro: EA is for those students on the ball and eager to apply to their top choices. EA allows you to apply to any number of schools without being bound to any school that

NCAA INFORMATION

NCAA online:

NCAA Clearinghouse initial eligibility

Recruiting search website:

CampusChamps.com -



Common Application Errors

“I’ll start the application next week.” Don’t run out of time to complete the application. Give yourself at least two weeks to find mistakes.

“I already ran a spell-check on my computer.” Words can be spelled correctly but used incorrectly. Ask a counselor, teacher or family member to proof read the application to catch any errors or poor phrasing.

“One copy is enough.” Print out any online forms and keep copies of all paperwork.

“I can send my application as soon as I’m finished.” Before you seal the envelope or click “Send” on your computer, double- and triple-check that you have included all necessary materials.

Follow-up in two weeks to verify that all mailed materials have been received.

accepts you. EA notification usually comes a short time after ED notifications. As with ED applicants, you have a higher chance of acceptance if you go EA as compared to the regular deadline date.

Con: There are none. Applicants who may not meet grade and test score levels may be deferred to a later date.

Financial Aid: Students applying EA have a greater chance at higher levels of financial aid than those students who apply regular decision. "The early bird gets the worm". A word of wisdom here: Most Financial Aid people do not appreciate it if you try to negotiate a higher financial aid package by playing their institution off against another institutions offer. Be honest, sincere and truly desiring to attend their institution.

Get Noticed: 10 College Essay Tips

- 1. Don’t “recycle” essays.** An essay that sounds like it has been used before will blend with everyone else’s.
- 2. Captivate your audience.** Make your essay engaging and memorable. Include a quick, enticing intro; give a reason to finish reading it.
- 3. Be yourself.** Choose a topic that is meaningful to you. Use your own voice. Show off a side of yourself that your application does not; don’t simply write what you think an admissions office wants to hear.
- 4. Accentuate the positive.** When writing about a personal experience, emphasize how the experience changed you for the better.
- 5. Write in the active voice.** Doing so will make for a clearer, more concise essay.
- 6. Don’t overextend.** Your essay isn’t a term paper. Stay focused on your topic.
- 7. Ask people for input.** Whether it’s a teacher, counselor, friend or parent, ask someone you respect for some candid feedback. Is it confusing? Boring?
- 8. Leave time for rewriting.** Look for weak or dull spots and spelling and grammatical errors. Never let your first draft be your final draft.
- 9. Revise, reword.** Improve on your first draft through various rewrites. Read the essay aloud to find awkward sentences or problems.
- 10. Pursue perfection.** Have someone else look it over. Quadruple-check the spelling. Type your essay carefully

College Application Checklist

Seniors, each year several colleges and universities send me a report that gives me the disposition of all applications received at their institution. I am amazed at the number of applications that end up incomplete. Common mistakes are: no transcripts, SAT/ACT test scores not submitted, application fees not paid, or residency statement is not correct or complete. Remember that when you do the Florida public university applications on-line, you must print off the last page and complete the residency verification part. When completed, mail this to the college along with your application fee and your essays and letters of recommendation. Finally, when you send anything to an admissions office, please always follow-up with them in two weeks to verify that they received your information.

Here are some general guidelines and suggestions that I hope will help you with the application process.

- 1. The General Application:** Is all information accurate and legible? Don’t leave questions blank unless the application allows it. **Most colleges now prefer that you apply on-line.**
- 2. Academic Transcripts:** Forms needed to request that transcripts be sent are located in my office as well as the registrars office. If we are able to send your transcripts electronically, there will be no charges. One dollar will be required if we must print and mail your transcripts.

“I assume this is right.” If you’re confused by a question or any part of the application, ask someone. A quick call to the admissions office can save you from making an embarrassing error



You must go to the CAP Office and complete a “transcript request form.” If transcripts need to be mailed, please give Ms. Harper an addressed, stamped envelope for each college along with your completed form.



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3. **Letters of Recommendation:** Do you have the number of recommendations required? Also, check with the admissions office if they need to be sealed. **Remember that not all colleges require letters!!**
4. **Work Samples/Portfolios:** Include your name, contact information and the project title on every item. Send copies, not originals.
5. **Application Essays:** Make sure your name, social security number, date of birth, contact information and essay title are on each page. Be original and remember to change college names around if you are sending your essay to more than one college.
6. **Reply Cards:** Include these for your prospective college to mail back to you as receipt of delivery. They should be stamped and self-addressed.
7. **SAT/ACT Scores:** If you need to send test scores to additional schools, contact the testing company immediately. **SAT: www.collegeboard.com**
ACT: www.act.org Scores are mailed about three weeks after your request. Due to timing issues, I strongly recommend that seniors indicate where they want scores sent when they register for a test. This will save precious time.
8. **Signatures:** Before mailing, verify that all necessary forms have been signed.
9. **Keep Copies:** Create a file to hold copies of all documents in case you need to refer to them later.

COLLEGE FAIRS

CRHS College Fair – Tuesday, November 3rd , 6:00 – 8:00 pm (parents encouraged to come)

Colleges will have tables in the gym and the cafeteria

We will be hosting over 100 colleges and universities at Coral Reef. Florida private and state universities have been invited as well as a number of universities from all parts of the United States and Europe. We will notify you shortly of which colleges will be attending.

Ft. Lauderdale NACAC College Fair – Thursday, November 5, 5:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Ft. Lauderdale Convention Center

This is an excellent fair for undecided seniors and other students who are eager to dig into the college search process. Approximately 150+ colleges and universities will be represented. Informative workshops on admissions, testing, scholarships and financial aid will also be given.

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY: Summer Bridge Program

The Summer Bridge Program is now called the CARE Program (Center for Academic Retention and Enhancement). This program is for first-time-in-college students who may have been disadvantaged due to economic, educational, or cultural circumstances. Curricular guidelines are a minimum 2.5 GPA (looking only at the academic subjects) and either a 900 on the SAT or a 19 on the ACT. Student who know that it is not likely they will meet the normal freshman standards, and they do appear to be meeting CARE standards, should submit a CARE application along with their regular application to the university. The deadline for CARE applications is February 15th. Contact us: Center for Academic Retention and Enhancement, A5400 University Center, The Florida State University, Tallahassee, FL 32306-2450, Telephone: (850) 644-9699, Email: care@admin.fsu.edu

Website: <http://care.fsu.edu/summer.html>

Changes in Financial Aid

By Claudine Vainrub, MBA and Principal of EduPlan

Financial aid has recently become a hotter topic in the mind of many more Americans, as we survive a recession. However, there is light at the end of the tunnel. We count with enhanced Government support, especially led by President Obama, who strongly advocates towards positive change in the field. Supporting Americans to achieve higher education has been one of the core initiatives and focus points of this administration. True to its values, U.S. leadership has introduced reform that makes the Financial Aid process a promising one towards the future.

For more information on this topic, go to: <http://eduplan.us/changes-in-financial-aid/>

How to Get Scholarship Money

By Claudine Vainrub Principal of EduPlan

College studies are so expensive in the USA, most students cannot afford to pay for it from their own pocket. On the other hand, there are many ways to find the money to support your studies and there is no reason why you should miss college for mere lack of funds. The most common forms are loans, grants and scholarships. Loans could be a burden, so let us keep this as the last resort and examine the other two options of grants and scholarships.

For more information on this topic, go to: <http://eduplan.us/how-to-get-scholarship-money/>

