



## SCHOLARSHIP MATRIX November 2024

*Division of Student Support  
and Federal Programs*

| NAME  | AMOUNT  | GRADE | REQUIREMENTS  | DEADLINE |
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| <b>Hispanic Heritage Foundation Youth Awards</b>                                | Up to \$4,000                                     | 12    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Be currently enrolled in high school or home school program and graduating in the spring of 2025</li> <li>- Must have a minimum unweighted 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale</li> <li>- Must enroll at an accredited higher education institution in 2025-2026</li> <li>- Be of Hispanic heritage (includes Spain, Brazil, Philippines)</li> <li>- If selected, attendance to the virtual regional awards ceremony is mandatory</li> </ul> <p><b>More information and application:</b><br/><a href="https://hispanicheritage.org/programs/leadership/youth-awards/">https://hispanicheritage.org/programs/leadership/youth-awards/</a></p>  | 11/3/24  |
| <b>The Elks National Foundation- The 2024 Most Valuable Student Scholarship</b> | Ranging from \$1,000 per year to \$7,500 per year | 12    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current high school seniors, or the equivalent, who are citizens of the United States are eligible to apply.</li> <li>• Applicants need not be related to a member of the Elks.</li> <li>• High school graduates are not eligible to apply.</li> <li>• Applicants must be citizens of the United States on the date their applications are signed; permanent legal resident status does not qualify.</li> </ul> <p>For more information and application, go to<br/><a href="https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/mvs.cfm">https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/mvs.cfm</a></p>   | 11/12/24 |
| <b>MLK Day Parade Scholarship</b>   | Varies  | 12    | <p>To enter the Dr. Martin Luther King Parade Foundation (MLKPF) Scholarship contest, an applicant must meet certain basic requirements and submit all the requested information. To be considered an applicant you must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apply for one of the three MLKPF Scholarships listed on the website.</li> <li>• Exemplify high moral character, a heart for service, and a familiarity with the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.</li> <li>• Be a high school senior in a Hillsborough County public, private, charter or home school.</li> <li>• Have a 2.5 Grade Point Average (GPA) (State or District) or above at the time of application submission</li> </ul> <p><b>Application:</b> <a href="https://mlkjrparade.com/scholarship-application/">https://mlkjrparade.com/scholarship-application/</a></p> | 11/30/24 |
| <b>The Kosove Society Scholarship - USF</b>                                     | Full Ride Scholarship                             | 12    | <p>The Kosove Society, one of the most prestigious awards given to USF students, consists of a group of undergraduate and graduate students with a passion for leadership, community service, and academics. Scholars come from diverse backgrounds and pursue medical, engineering, education, social science, fine arts, and business degrees—to name just a few of the disciplines in which Kosove scholars engage. Every year, we accept applications from <b>incoming freshmen</b> (high school seniors), rising USF juniors, and graduate students.</p> <p>Applications for the 2024-2025 school year are now open and the <b>undergraduate deadline is December 6, 2024</b>. Undergraduate minimum</p>   | 12/6/24  |

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|   |                     |      | requirements are 3.5 GPA, 1250 SAT or 28 ACT. Interviews will be held for selected applicants from February to March 2025.<br><b>Applications and more information can be found by visiting our website <a href="http://www.usfkosovesociety.org">www.usfkosovesociety.org</a>.</b>  |                 |
| <b>Ronald V. Dellums Memorial SMART Scholarship</b>                                     | Full Tuition        | 12   | To honor the lifetime work of Representative Dellums, Congress established the Ronald V. Dellums Memorial SMART Scholarship, with the goal to increase participation of underrepresented students in the DoD STEM workforce. This opportunity expands the SMART scholarship opportunity to rising college freshmen who plan to pursue a bachelor's degree in one of the 24 SMART STEM disciplines. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be a citizen of the United States, Australia, Canada, New Zealand or United Kingdom</li> <li>• Be 18 years of age or older by January 1, 2026</li> <li>• Have and maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale</li> <li>• Be currently pursuing, or intend to pursue in Fall 2025, a degree in SMART STEM discipline. Be a rising freshman pursuing a bachelor's degree by the program start date</li> <li>• Ability to complete summer internships</li> <li>• Accept a one-for-one post-graduation service commitment as a civilian employee of the Department of Defense</li> </ul> <b>Application:</b> <a href="https://www.smartscholarship.org/smart?id=smart_index">https://www.smartscholarship.org/smart?id=smart_index</a> | <b>12/6/24</b>  |
| <b>Dell Scholars Program</b>  | \$20,000            | 12   | The Dell Scholars program is a scholarship and college completion program that nurtures and empowers students on their path to a college degree. Since starting the program in 2004, the Michael & Susan Dell Foundation has supported 5,000 scholars, including more than 2,000 college graduates.<br>See eligibility requirements and apply here:<br><a href="https://www.dellscholars.org/scholarship/">https://www.dellscholars.org/scholarship/</a>   | <b>12/1/24</b>  |
| <b>Burger King Scholars</b>   | \$1,000 to \$60,000 | 12   | For employees, employee's spouses or domestic partners, employees' children and high school seniors in the United States, Puerto Rico, and Canada.<br>For requirements, more information and how to apply, visit:<br><a href="http://www.bkmclamorefoundation.org">www.bkmclamorefoundation.org</a>  | <b>12/15/24</b> |
| <b>Grand Chapter of Florida Order of the Eastern Star FL Eastern Star Grant Program</b> | Varied Amounts      | 12   | Class of 2025 students must be accepted by a university, college, junior college, community college, or vocational institution. Link for info: <a href="http://floridaoes.org">Grand Chapter of Florida – Order of the Eastern Star (floridaoes.org)</a> (see scholarship information under "charities" tab)   | <b>Varies</b>   |
| <b>Spectrum Bay News 9 Project Weather Scholarship</b>                                  | \$1,000             | 12   | One qualified high school senior from each of our seven area counties: Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, and Polk will be awarded \$1,000. Project Weather Scholarship is granted as part of Spectrum Bay News 9's commitment to educating children about science and weather.<br><a href="https://baynews9.com/projectweather">https://baynews9.com/projectweather</a>  | <b>1/14/25</b>  |
| <b>JFK Library Profile in Courage Essay Contest</b>                                     | Varies              | 9-12 | The essay contest is open to students in grades 9-12. Employees of John Hancock Financial Services and members of their families are not eligible to participate. See website for additional essay contest requirements and how to enter: <a href="https://www.jfklibrary.org/learn/education/profile-in-courage-essay-contest/eligibility-and-requirements">https://www.jfklibrary.org/learn/education/profile-in-courage-essay-contest/eligibility-and-requirements</a>  | <b>1/17/25</b>  |
| <b>Mensa Foundation Scholarship</b>   | Varies              | 12   | The Mensa Foundation works to identify and foster human intelligence for the benefit of humanity and to encourage research into the nature, characteristics, and uses of intelligence.<br><br><b>Among the Mensa Foundation's major programs is its scholarship program, which annually gives over 100 awards based on the merit of a short essay submission. Essays are submitted online, at <a href="https://www.mensafoundation.org/what-we-do/scholarships/">https://www.mensafoundation.org/what-we-do/scholarships/</a> no later than January 15th.</b>  | <b>1/15/25</b>  |

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| <b>The Elouise Rice Robinson Memorial Scholarship</b>        | Varies         | 12 | <p>The Elouise Rice Robinson Memorial Scholarship is a scholarship in honor of Elouise Rice Robinson, a loving mother, devoted wife, committed daughter and talented educator who was born, raised, and lived in Plant City, Florida. Her children Hazel Robinson, Debra Robinson-Sanders, Derriel Robinson, and Regina Robinson-Smith honor and remember her through this scholarship.</p> <p>Purpose of the scholarship is to recognize and assist outstanding students of African-Descent to pursue a higher education degree in the college of their choice.</p> <p>The categories that students may qualify for are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Scholarship</li> <li>● Leadership</li> <li>● Entrepreneurship</li> <li>● Community Service</li> <li>● Creative Arts</li> </ul> <p>Students must be accepted into a 2- or 4-year college before receiving funds. Scholarship will be a minimum of \$250 each and up to \$1,000. Please see scholarship information in Xello for application and the process in which to submit the application.</p> | <b>3/31/25</b>  |
| <b>The Coolidge Scholarship of America</b>                   | Varies         | 11 | <p>2024 Coolidge Scholarship applicants must intend to enroll full-time at an accredited U.S. college or university as an undergraduate for the first time in fall 2024. That is to say, students in their junior year of high school, or the equivalent if home schooled, are eligible to apply. (Students who are currently high school juniors but take some courses at a local college are indeed eligible to apply for the Coolidge Scholarship.)</p> <p><b>For more information go to <a href="https://coolidgescholars.org/">https://coolidgescholars.org/</a></b></p>   | <b>12/11/24</b> |
| <b>JCI Senate Scholarship</b>                                | \$1,500        | 12 | <p>Each year, the U.S. Junior Chamber International (JCI) Senate Foundation grants \$1,500 scholarships to graduating high school seniors who plan to continue their education at accredited post-secondary colleges, universities or vocational schools. The number of grants awarded annually is at the discretion of the Foundation and must be used for educational expenses in the first year of full-time study. Checks awarded will be made out in the name of the recipient and the educational institution of the recipient's choice. Application: <a href="http://usjicisenate.org/index.php/scholarship-program">http://usjicisenate.org/index.php/scholarship-program</a></p>   | <b>1/15/25</b>  |
| <b>Hillsborough Education Foundation Senior Scholarships</b> | Varies         | 12 | <p>Hillsborough Education Foundation awards twelfth grade students with aspirations of continuing their education after high school at a university, community or technical college with scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$40,000. Scholarships are awarded based on a variety of criteria such as GPA, field of study, financial need, challenges overcome, SAT/ACT scores, school, community service or extracurricular activity participation and vary from scholarship to scholarship</p> <p><b>Information and Application:</b><br/><a href="https://educationfoundation.com/linksforstudents/senior-scholarships/">https://educationfoundation.com/linksforstudents/senior-scholarships/</a></p>   | <b>1/31/25</b>  |
| <b>The LPGA Foundation</b>                                   | Varies         | 12 | <p>The LPGA Foundation is pleased to offer scholarships and grant funding for high school students and eligible LPGA-USGA Girls Golf programs to continue our mission of empowering and inspiring girls through the game of golf. For more information, please visit: <a href="https://www.lpga.com/lpga-foundation/scholarships">https://www.lpga.com/lpga-foundation/scholarships</a></p>   | <b>Varies</b>   |
| <b>Florida Bright Futures</b>                                | Varied Amounts | 12 | <p><b>For specific requirements and application visit:</b><br/><a href="http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org">http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org</a></p>  | <b>8/31/25</b>  |
| <b>University of South Florida Foundation Scholarships</b>   | Varied amounts | 12 | <p>Please visit <a href="https://giving.usf.edu/about/scholarships">https://giving.usf.edu/about/scholarships</a> to view scholarships in detail and download the application.</p>  | <b>Varies</b>   |
| <b>Hillsborough Community College</b>                        | Varied Amounts | 12 | <p>See link below for specific scholarships<br/><a href="https://www.hccfl.edu/paying-college/financial-aid-and-scholarships/scholarships-grants-and-work-study">https://www.hccfl.edu/paying-college/financial-aid-and-scholarships/scholarships-grants-and-work-study</a></p>   | <b>Varies</b>   |

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| University of Tampa                              | Varied Amounts | 12   | See link below for specific scholarships<br><a href="http://www.ut.edu/financialaid/scholarshipsandgrants/">http://www.ut.edu/financialaid/scholarshipsandgrants/</a>   | Varies   |
| College Board Opportunity Scholarship            | \$500-\$40,000 | 9-12 | Build your college list for a chance to earn a \$500 scholarship, and you'll be eligible to win once you sign up for the program when it opens. Link for info: <a href="https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college/bigfuture-scholarships">https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college/bigfuture-scholarships</a> Explore colleges and start adding the ones you're interested into your list. You'll need to add six or more colleges to be eligible for the scholarship. | On going |
| Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) | Varied Amounts | 12   | Get help paying for college! Apply by clicking on the link below. See your counselor to assist you with this process.<br><a href="https://fafsa.gov/">https://fafsa.gov/</a>  | On going |

### **Other scholarship opportunities and resources:**

- **Scholly** – A mobile app that provides students with a fast and simple way to find scholarships for college. (Created by Christopher Gray, a Coca-Cola Scholar!)
- **Fastweb** – Create a profile and let Fastweb do the research on scholarships, internships colleges and more for you.
- **Appily** – A free website where you can learn which colleges want you, before you apply and learn about more than \$11 billion in merit aid scholarships.
- **Scholarship America** – Provides information and resources for your scholarship search.
- **HS Finder (Hispanic Scholarship Fund)** – Scholarship information for Latino students.
- **Thurgood Marshall College Fund** – Provides scholarships, programmatic and capacity building support to the 47 public Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).
- **Gates Millennium Scholars** – 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.
- **Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund** – The nation's largest non-profit organization devoted to providing college scholarships for Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI).
- **American Indian College Fund** – Provides Native American students with scholarships and financial support for the nation's 33 accredited tribal colleges and universities.
- **UNCF** – 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.
- **Reagan Foundation Scholarships** - Scholarship opportunities for outstanding student leaders.
- **Goizueta Legacy Scholarship** - Provides scholarships for the children of Coca-Cola employees.
- **Native Forward Scholars Fund** - The largest scholarship providers to Native students in the United States, awarding \$15 million in scholarships annually and more than \$200 million since inception. For almost 50 years, AIGC has funded students pursuing undergraduate, graduate, and professional degrees in any field of study at any accredited institution of choice, working with over 500 tribes in all 50 states.
- **Cirkled In** – A secure, FREE platform for students to create an electronic portfolio showcasing their holistic skills and achievements to get discovered by colleges and increase success rate for applications. Enter to Win a \$2500 Scholarship by creating a free account on [www.cirkledin.com](http://www.cirkledin.com) and clicking the apply now button.

\*If you have a scholarship opportunity that you would like to add to our matrix, please contact [Kathryn.Branham@hcps.net](mailto:Kathryn.Branham@hcps.net)