

# SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Applying for scholarships can be time consuming. Seniors often spend an hour a day or half a day on weekends conducting searches and putting together applications. Although scholarships are only offered to seniors, it is a good idea to begin investigating scholarship opportunities before their senior year.

## Who Gives Scholarships?

- Organizations-local, regional, state and national
- Businesses
- Parent's place of employment
- Student's place of employment
- Religious, service, cultural, and community organizations
- Colleges and universities



## Where to Find Them?

Students should not pay anyone to find scholarships for them. All scholarship searches on the internet are free. There should be no charge to apply.

- Monthly Scholarship Information – published by the Guidance Office at each high school and given out in Civics and Economics classes
- On the internet

Some scholarship directories: (complete a profile and enter your email address)

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org)

[www.collegequest.com](http://www.collegequest.com)

[www.mach25.com](http://www.mach25.com)

[www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

[www.fastaid.com](http://www.fastaid.com)

[www.collegenet.com](http://www.collegenet.com)

[www.maldef.org](http://www.maldef.org)

Some search engine sites – In the search box type “Scholarships, \_\_\_\_\_.” On the line insert, one at a time, all the things that describe you – interests, ethnic background, family structure (number of family members, single-parent household), religion, activities, course of study in college, hobbies, anything unusual such as a disability, very short or tall, etc.

[www.Dogpile.com](http://www.Dogpile.com)

[www.google.com](http://www.google.com)

[www.yahoo.com](http://www.yahoo.com)

## What to Submit? How to Apply?

Make sure students meet the deadline for submitting applications and send everything that is requested on the scholarship application. Students may want to include the following things even if they are not specifically requested:

- Color photo of the student attached to first page
- Table of Contents – number the pages and list them all in the Table of Contents
- Essay about yourself
- Letters of recommendation
- Transcript

