

SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP INFO NIGHT

February 11, 2020
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OVERVIEW

- What are scholarships?
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- Where to find scholarships
 - College specific scholarships, Navigating the HHS website, State and National Scholarships
- Transcripts and Letters of Recommendation
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- Tips on Applying for Scholarships
- Continued opportunities
- Senior Awards Night

WHAT ARE SCHOLARSHIPS?

- Financial aid awards toward an undergraduate academic institution
- Do not need to be repaid
- Could be a one-time check, or renewed annually



WHERE TO LOOK FOR SCHOLARSHIPS: HHS COUNSELING WEBSITE

- The HHS Counseling Website currently has over 25 scholarship opportunities for seniors
- Scholarships are on the local level, and organized by deadline
 - <https://www.hershey.k12.pa.us/Page/5947>

February Deadlines

Merit Shop Training & Research Center Scholarships

- Deadline: February 28, 2020
- Eligibility: Students must plan to enroll in a trade school, college, or university program that is directly related to a construction career. This includes skilled trades, engineering, architecture, and construction management.
- [Click here for application information](#)

March Deadlines

HHS Senior Scholarship Application

- Deadline: March 1, 2020
- Eligibility: Any HHS senior can apply
- [Click here for application](#)

Marine Corps Undergraduate and Associate Degree Scholarships

- Deadline: March 3, 2020
- Eligibility: If you are a senior who is pursuing an undergraduate non-degree certificate program that lasts longer than 12 months.
- [Click here for more information](#)

WHERE TO LOOK FOR SCHOLARSHIPS: SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP APP.

- The Senior Scholarship Application is composed of 12 different scholarships
- Depending on the scholarship, the selection committee may consist of teachers, coaches, and/or outside organizations
 - <https://www.cognitofrms.com/DerryTownshipSchoolDistrict/SeniorScholarshipApplication2020>
- The link can be found in senior homerooms, or on our HHS Counseling Website
- **Due Sunday, March 1st!**

Scholarships

Select the scholarships below you would like to apply for.

Drew Mark Memorial Scholarship

Yes

Criteria: A scholar-athlete who is planning to attend a four-year college or university

Andy Zeller Memorial Scholarship

Yes

Criteria: A student with high academic standing in math and science. Possesses the qualities of creativity, an eagerness to learn, and is supportive and encouraging to others while participating in school activities.

Tim Russell Memorial Scholarship

Yes

Criteria: A student accepted by a two-year, four-year, or vocational institution. Involved in athletics, community service/church activities, and shows leadership.

The Rev. Canon Howard Kishpaugh Memorial Scholarship

Yes

Criteria: A graduating senior attending a post-secondary institution. Good citizenship, participates in community service opportunities, and shows caring for others.

Federated Women's Club

Yes

Criteria: A student in good standing, who is planning to attend college.

Ben Yupcavage Memorial Scholarship

Yes

Criteria: A student that is involved in his/her community, works hard academically, is helpful towards others, and has a teachable spirit.

John & Carl Curry (Accounting)

Yes

Criteria: A student who has taken an accounting class and is planning to major in business.

Rotary Club Service Above Self

Yes

Criteria: Open to all seniors.

Women's Civic Scholarship

Yes

Criteria: Open to all seniors.

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Yes

Criteria: Open to all seniors.

HEA (Hershey Education Association)

Yes

Criteria: Open to all seniors.

Jessica Drew Memorial Scholarship

Yes

Criteria: A senior who has plans for post-secondary education of any kind, who embodies the defining characteristics of spirit, humor, kindness and passion for life and extra-curricular activities.

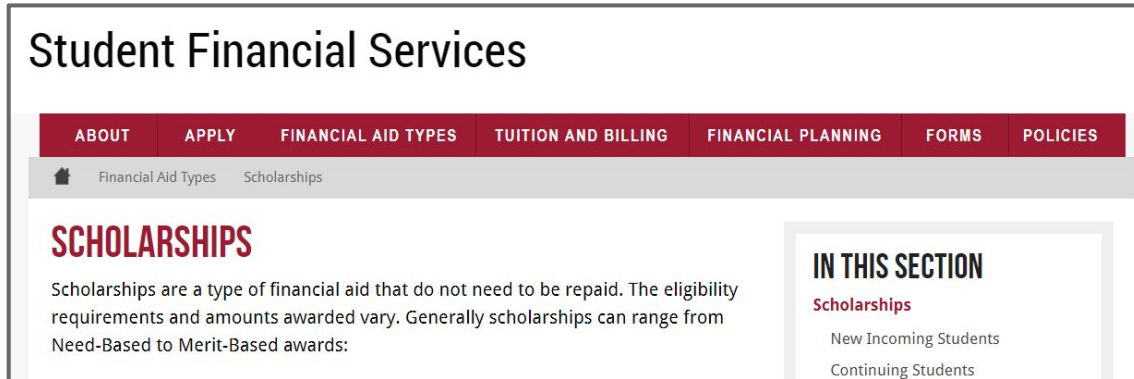
WHERE TO LOOK FOR SCHOLARSHIPS: TFEC WEBSITE

- The Foundation for Enhancing Communities
- Students must complete FAFSA before applying to TFEC Scholarships
 - <https://www.tfec.org/>
- Scholarships are organized by county
 - Need to ensure your child is applying to scholarships for Hershey High School students
- TFEC uses their own portal and scholarship application



COLLEGE SPECIFIC SCHOLARSHIPS

- Scholarships can also be found within a college or university's website.
- This information is found under the **Financial Aid** portion of the website.
- For example, Temple University academic scholarships can range from \$2,000 - full tuition.
- Every college will be different in terms of scholarships offered.



The screenshot shows a website interface for "Student Financial Services". At the top, there is a navigation menu with the following items: ABOUT, APPLY, FINANCIAL AID TYPES, TUITION AND BILLING, FINANCIAL PLANNING, FORMS, and POLICIES. Below the navigation menu, there is a breadcrumb trail: Home > Financial Aid Types > Scholarships. The main content area features a large heading "SCHOLARSHIPS" in red. Below this heading, there is a paragraph of text: "Scholarships are a type of financial aid that do not need to be repaid. The eligibility requirements and amounts awarded vary. Generally scholarships can range from Need-Based to Merit-Based awards:". To the right of this text, there is a box titled "IN THIS SECTION" which lists two categories: "Scholarships" (in red) and "Continuing Students" (in blue).

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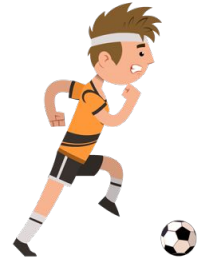
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NEED VS. MERIT BASED SCHOLARSHIPS

Need-Based: Eligibility is determined by a review of the students/families finances. Generally the results the FAFSA application are used to determine a student's "financial need."



Merit-Based: Eligibility can range from a student's academic, artistic, or athletic accomplishments (not limited to these categories). In most cases, a student's "financial need" will not play a part in determining a student's eligibility.



STATE AND NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

- Pennsylvania State Scholarships
 - <https://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarship-directory/school-attendance-state/pennsylvania>
- National Scholarship Programs
 - Walmart
 - Duck Tape Scholarship
 - Teen Drive 365 Video Challenge
 - Doodle 4 Google - Kindness



TRANSCRIPTS AND LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

Many scholarships require an official transcript and letters of recommendation.

- Scholarship applications can be sent from the counseling office if letters of recommendation are confidential.
- Students must request their official transcript via the Transcript Request Form (QR codes located in the counseling office, or on our website at):

<https://www.cognitoforms.com/DerryTownshipSchoolDistrict/TranscriptRequestForm>

SCAM LOOKOUT

Legitimate scholarship organizations do not ask for:

- Social security information
- Credit card information
- Application fee or deposit

Be wary of organizations saying:

- “We’ll do all the work.”
- “The scholarship is guaranteed or your money back”

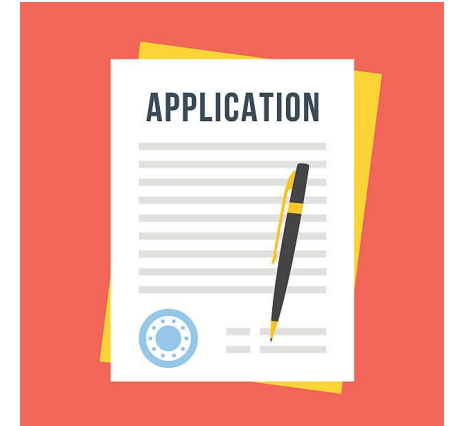


<https://www.finaid.org/scholarships/scams.phtml>

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5 TIPS ON APPLYING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

1. Research all available websites, local organizations, etc.
2. Apply to as many as you can
3. Make a schedule for deadlines
4. Be yourself!
5. Continue to look for scholarships while in college



CONTINUED OPPORTUNITIES

- Scholarships don't stop after high school!
 - TFEC and College-specific scholarships
- College, state and national level
- Continue to check for additional scholarship opportunities



SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT

- Wednesday May 27, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m.
- All seniors are welcome
 - Those receiving an award will receive an invitation in the mail
- Military enlistments honored



OTHER RESOURCES



QUESTIONS?



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