SENIORS PLEASE GIVE ALL ACCEPTANCE LETTERS AND SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION TO MS. MORTON and MR. BOHNE

Applying for Scholarships and the Charles County Scholarship Fund, Inc.:

Local Scholarships
Applying for local scholarships through civic organizations, like the Rotary Club, religious affiliations, or local companies is an excellent way to increase your chances of being selected for an award. Local scholarships are not as competitive as those scholarships offered at the national level through many internet database searches.

The Charles County Scholarship Fund, Inc.
One of those local sources is the Charles County Scholarship Fund, Inc. Graduating seniors who live in Charles County can apply for various local scholarships with one application. Nearly fifty scholarships are available for selection if the applicant meets the eligibility requirements. The application will be available to complete and print off by the end of December at http://www2.ccboe.com/students/scholarships.cfm.

Once students have completed the application and compiled all the documents requested, they may turn them in to Ms. Morton, College and Career Advisor no later than MARCH 1. Or mail the completed application packet, with sufficient postage, to the Charles County Scholarship Fund, Inc.

Don’t forget to file your FAFSA!!!!!

Avoid Scams:
The Federal Trade Commission (FTC) has created a specific website to help consumers keep away from fraudulent scholarships. Visit the FTC’s website for more tips: www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams

Use the Getin2College.com web link from the Career Center webpage. Subscriber rights allow you to enter the user name and password posted under the icon to log in and research dozens of internet websites for financial aid information, internships, and summer programs, etc. Click on the over 500 sources and find financial aid from the alphabetized list of resources.

CSM UPDATES

College of Southern Maryland Placement Test
April 15 and 16th
Sign Up in the Career Center with Ms. Morton
College Placement Test Dates

ACT  www.actstudent.org

Fees $50.50 with Essay/ $67.00 without Essay

Test Date – April 13 / Registration Deadline – March 8 / Late Registration Date – March 25
Test Date – June 8 / Registration Date – May 3 / Late Registration Date – May 20
Test Date – July 13 / Registration Date – June 14 / Late Registration Date June 24

SAT www.collegeboard.org

Fees $64.50 with Essay/ $47.50 without Essay

Test Date - March 9 / Registration Deadline – February 8 / Late Registration Date – February 22
Test Date – May 4 / Registration Date – April 4 / Late Registration Date – April 19
Test Date – June 1 / Registration Date – May 3  Late Registration Date May 17

**When you register list up to 4 schools, the scores will go directly to them**

EDU, Inc.

Common Black College Application: Apply to 50 member institutions with one $35.00 application fee-
http://commonblackcollegeapp.com/ or call (770)716-0616

Have you heard of the Common Application? Over 600 schools accept this application. Go to www.commonapp.org to learn more!

Maryland Resources:

MDgo4it is a valuable resource for juniors and seniors. It includes deadline dates for State financial assistance, tips on preparing for postsecondary education, college admission information, and resources on careers. Go to www.MDgo4it.org

College 411 – A Student Guide to Higher Education & Financial Aid in Maryland – go to www.mhec.state.md.us/preparing/College411/College411Home.asp

Academic Common Market: is a tuition savings program especially for college students who live in the 16 states that are members of the Southern Regional Education Board and want to pursue a degree not available in your home state yet pay in-state rates.

Criteria:

- select an eligible program for residents of your state
- be admitted to the institution offering the program
- Certify residency in your state. For more info go to www.mhec.state.md.us
COLLEGE FAIRS

Annual St. Mary's County Southern Maryland College & Career Fair
Hosted by the St. Mary's County Branch NAACP in partnership with St. Mary's County Public Schools
Friday February 22, 2019 11 a.m. – 12 Noon
Dr. James A. Forrest Career & Technology Center 24005 Point Lookout Road Leonardtown, MD 20650

17th Annual Historically Black College & University College Festival
Saturday February 18, 2017 10:00-3:00 p.m.
T.C. Williams High School 3330 King Street Alexandria, VA22302
The event is free, but parents/guardians must register students http://www.alfredstreet.org/ministries/outreach-and-missions/hbcu-festival/

National College Fair – Prince Georges County
Sunday March 17, 2019
1-4 p.m.
Friday, April 7, 2017
Coppin State University – Physical Education Complex
Registration is needed the event is FREE
www.nacacfairs.org/ncfstudentregistration

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS
The men of the Tau Lambda Lambda Chapter of Omega Psi Fraternity, Inc.
Present
2019 Talent Hunt
March 9, 2019 Eva Turner Elementary School Auditorium
Students will compete for cash prizes in the areas of Music, Dance and Spoken Word
For details and registration go to http://www.southermdques.org
Or contact Anthony Bryant 910-797-9099

20th Annual Youth Symposium
Saturday March 9, 2019
Youth Investment: Building a Future for Impactful Leaders
Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.
Eta Omicron Sigma Chapter

SUMMER PROGRAMS

Summer Journalism Program
August 2-12, 2019
This is for student interested in journalism and reporting.
All expenses paid, including students' travel costs to and from Princeton University.
For details and to apply go to: psjp.princeton.edu
Application deadline February 15, 2019 11:59 p.m.
Hi-STEP Summer Intern Programs at NIH

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) Office of Intramural Training & Education and Office of Scientific Workforce Diversity are proud to host the High School Scientific Training and Enrichment Program (HiSTEP). The goal of HiSTEP is to expand the pipeline of students interested in biomedical and healthcare careers by providing opportunities for high school juniors and seniors.

The HiSTEP application deadline is February 18th, 2019 at 11:59 pm. Letters of recommendation must be submitted by 11:59 pm on February 25th, 2019. All applications materials must be received by February 25th for full consideration.

https://www.training.nih.gov/histep

Employment Opportunities

Duraclean
RESTORATION & CLEANING SERVICES, INC.

is having a Recruitment Event
Wednesday February 6, 2019
Waldorf American Job Center 175 Post Office Road, Waldorf, MD 20602
Call Yvette at 301-374-1150 for an interview

Tri-County of Southern MD 8th Annual Hiring Event & Apprenticeship Fair
April 30, 1019 10:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Hollywood Fire House
Hollywood, MD
https://app.scanshake.com/visitor/54
Maryland Career Clusters

Maryland State Department of Education (MSDE) in partnership with statewide industry advisory groups, identified ten (10) Career Clusters that represent core business functions across broad industry areas in Maryland. Business partners further identified career pathways based on the end-to-end business processes within career clusters. This representation of industry clusters and career pathways is provided in the MSDE publication Maryland Career Clusters: Restructuring Learning for Student Achievement in a Technologically Advanced, Global Society and serves as a starting point for the identification of Maryland Career and Technology Education (CTE) programs of study. Career Clusters allow students to explore a wide range of career options and to apply academic and technical skills in a career area. Career Pathways are like road maps of learning that help students plan for and pursue further education and careers. Using the Career Clusters Framework to develop new CTE programs at the high school helps students gain a better understanding of the world of work and what is required to prepare for a career. Each Career Cluster includes at least two CTE program options for students to gain more advanced understanding and preparation for a career field. For example, the chart below depicts the wide range of career fields in the Arts, Media, and Communication industry in Maryland. Students may choose from three CTE programs or arts-based programs to further explore these careers. Not all clusters are available at all schools.

Ten Career Clusters

- Arts, Media and Communication
- Consumer Services, Hospitality and Tourism
- Environmental, Agricultural and Natural Resource Systems
- Human Resource Services
- Manufacturing, Engineering and Technology
- Business, Management and Finance
- Construction and Development
- Health and Biosciences
- Information Technology
- Transportation Technologies

USING CAREER CLUSTERS, STUDENTS IDENTIFY CAREER OPTIONS CALLED CAREER PATHWAYS

Maryland business leaders worked with MSDE to define the core functions of each industry represented by the Career Cluster. These core functions became the Career Pathways for each cluster. The Career Pathways include a range of career opportunities. Because each Career Cluster is broadly defined, there is overlapping and common content across clusters, allowing for flexibility in program design.

Career Pathways are like road maps of learning that help students plan for and pursue further education and careers. Students can explore a wide range of career options that require postsecondary education and training. Students also have opportunities to apply academics and develop technical skills in a career area.

Educators use the cluster materials to develop sequential programs of study that include at least the last two years of high school and two or more years of postsecondary education. Programs provide multiple options for students (such as early college admissions through dual enrollment, articulated credit, and advanced placement at two- and four-year colleges) as they prepare for further education and careers. Career and Technology Education programs of study also prepare students to earn industry-recognized credentials.
As shown in the diagram below, a high school may be organized around four Career Clusters and multiple pathways. An example of one related, CTE-focused program of study is provided for a Career Pathway within each cluster.

Not every pathway will have a corresponding program of study. However, counselors and parents must be aware of the entire scope of the industry as they guide students in preparing for college and careers.

**The Pathway to Achievement**

Underpinning Career Clusters are the Maryland content standards. These standards reflect the common knowledge and skills students need for each cluster. Content standards include three components: academic, technical, and workplace skills. In Maryland, the workplace skills are known as the Skills for Success. These include learning, thinking, communication, technology, and interpersonal skills. The academic and technical content standards are used by educators as they design more challenging course sequences for each CTE pathway program. Improved school and student performance is tied to the Maryland School Assessment Program and the High School Assessments based on Maryland content standards that drive higher expectations. Students’ progress through a continuum of learning experiences toward their future goals.

Go to the link below to learn more!


**Pre-Apprenticeship Readiness Training for the Trades**

Earn Your Pre-Apprentice Certificate in Six Months

Applications are now being accepted

[www.mcet.org/trades](http://www.mcet.org/trades)

**Touring College Campuses**

Ideally, touring the college campuses you are considering is the best way to find out if a college is for you. However, just because you want to attend school out of state doesn’t mean you have to spring for plane tickets to every University on your Top 10 list. To help whittle down the choices, take a virtual tour at [www.campustours.com](http://www.campustours.com) or [www.campuscorner.com](http://www.campuscorner.com) to get started.
Grade Level Reminders

- Remember to read and keep up your grades. Freshman year DOES count.
- Keep a list of volunteer experiences, extracurricular activities, awards, etc. to create a high school resume. A student involved is a productive student.
- Think about colleges you are considering attending and use your Career Cruising account to explore their entrance requirements and other specifics.

Use your PSAT Score Report to set up an account with College Board to create a personalized PSAT study plan to improve your skills for the October 2019 PSAT that will count towards National Merit Scholarships.

- Use your PSAT Score Report to start My College QuickStart and search college majors that fit your results from the My Road Personality Test. Search for college matches and research career options.
- Use Career Cruising to investigate colleges and continue to work on a list of possible colleges based on results from your PSAT.

Go over the results of your PSAT Report or your other practice test scores with your Counselor, SAT/ACT Coordinator, or College Advisor to work to improve college entrance exam scores.

- Consider test prep classes and map out what testing you need for your college admissions applications. Please make sure you register for those exams and don’t miss the deadlines as expensive late fees apply.
- Some colleges require additional exams such as SAT Subject Tests in specific areas. Be sure to check the admissions requirements online or stop in the Career Center and use the College Handbook.
- Make plans to visit colleges, attend college fairs, and take advantage of virtual opportunities at www.collegeweeklive.com.

College applications should be completed this month for fall admission. Don’t miss deadlines and make a copy of your paperwork. Check the status of your applications to make sure the admissions office has all paperwork. Test scores have been sent directly from testing agencies, transcripts, letters of recommendation, and essays have been submitted electronically or mailed with sufficient postage. Be assertive as paper can be lost in the process.

All seniors received information concerning the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Be sure to file your FAFSA by March 1 as funding is distributed as forms are processed. See your College and Career Advisor for more information about financial aid. Some colleges require the CSS/Profile for financial aid consideration. Be sure you submit the appropriate forms for your prospective colleges.

- Colleges expect to see your mid-year grades. Be sure to submit the mid-year report requested by your prospective colleges. Sending additional information about any accolades or awards you have received since submitting your admissions application is appropriate as well as informing the admissions staff of any special projects or events you worked.
- Seniors attending CSM in the fall need to apply online at www.csmd.edu and receive your student identification number before taking the placement test at your high school.
- Turn in a copy of any letters of acceptance you receive as well as scholarship and grant offers to your College and Career Advisor as that information is used to create the graduation program.
Check the Career Center often for scholarship applications and updates. The Career Center Newsletter will list scholarships and use your Career Cruising program for scholarship matches as well. Don’t forget the Charles County Scholarship Fund application is available with nearly 50 scholarships.

**NCAA Eligibility Center News**

**Athletes** Contact Mr. Phil Bohne, 10th grade Counselor for to verify your eligibility pbohne@ccboe.com

NCAA Division I requires 16 core courses. NCAA Division II currently requires 14 core courses. Division II will require 16 core courses for students enrolling on or after August 1, 2017. See the charts below.

NCAA Division I will require 10 core courses to be completed prior to the seventh semester (seven of the 10 must be a combination of English, math or natural or physical science that meet the distribution requirements below). These 10 courses become "locked in" at the seventh semester and cannot be retaken for grade improvement.

*Beginning August 1, 2017, it will be possible for a Division I college-bound student-athlete to still receive athletics aid and the ability to practice with the team if he or she fails to meet the 10 course requirement, but would not be able to compete.*

**Test Scores**

- **Division I** uses a sliding scale to match test scores and core grade-point averages (GPA). The sliding scale for those requirements is at [www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org).
- **Division II** requires a minimum SAT score of 820 or an ACT sum score of 68.
- The SAT score used for NCAA purposes includes only the critical reading and math sections. The writing section of the SAT is not used.
- The ACT score used for NCAA purposes is a sum of the following four sections: English, mathematics, reading and science.
- When you register for the SAT or ACT, use the NCAA Eligibility Center code of 9999 to ensure all SAT and ACT scores are reported directly to the NCAA Eligibility Center from the testing agency. Test scores that appear on transcripts will not be used.

**Grade-Point Average**

- **Be sure** to look at your high school’s List of NCAA Courses on the NCAA Eligibility Center's website ([www.eligibilitycenter.org](http://www.eligibilitycenter.org)). Only courses that appear on your school's List of NCAA Courses will be used in the calculation of the core GPA. Use the list as a guide.
- **Division I** students enrolling full time before August 1, 2017, should use Sliding Scale A to determine eligibility to receive athletics aid, practice and competition during the first year.
- **Division I** GPA required to receive athletics aid and practice on or after August 1, 2017, is 2.000 (corresponding test-score requirements are listed on Sliding Scale B).
- **Division I** GPA required to be eligible for competition on or after August 1, 2017, is 2.300 (corresponding test-score requirements are listed on Sliding Scale B).
- **The Division II** core GPA requirement is a minimum of 2.000.
- Remember, the NCAA GPA is calculated using NCAA core courses only.
Financial Aid for Veterans and their Dependents

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Education Benefits
The Department of Veterans Affairs provides information on educational benefits for veterans and their dependents.

Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program (DEA)
Of particular interest is the Survivors' and Dependents' Educational Assistance Program (DEA). It provides up to 45 months of education and training opportunities to eligible dependents of certain veterans. To be eligible, you must be the son, daughter, or spouse of a veteran who died or is permanently and totally disabled as the result of a service-connected disability, or who died while such a disability was in effect, or is MIA or captured in the line of duty by a hostile force, or is forcibly detained or interned in the line of duty by a foreign government or power. Sons and daughters must be between the ages of 18 and 26. Spousal benefits end 10 years from the date the VA finds the spouse as eligible or from the date of death of the veteran. To apply, complete VA Form 22-5490, Application for Survivors’ and Dependents' Educational Assistance. For more information, call 1-888-GIBILL-1 (1-888-442-4551).

Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents
Updated annually by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA), the publication Federal Benefits for Veterans and Dependents contains information about education and training benefits available to veterans and eligible dependents. [VA Pamphlet 80-02-1, 114 pages, Stock Number 051-000-00225-3.]

The booklet may be obtained free of charge from VA hospitals or regional offices. To request a copy, visit your nearest VA facility, call 1-800-827-1000 or write to Department of Veterans Affairs, Office of Public Affairs (80D), 810 Vermont Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20420. It is also available for download free in PDF format from the VA's web site.

The publication can also be purchased for $5.00 ($6.25, international customers) from the US Government Printing Office, Superintendent of Documents, PO Box 371954, Pittsburgh, PA 15250-7954.

It is also available online in HTML format from the Consumer Information Center (CIC).

GI Transferability Bill Post 9/11 GI Bill family transfer option allows service members to shift their benefits to their families. For more information, see www.defenselink.mil

Military Officers Association of America (MOAA)
MOAA offers several educational assistance programs, including interest-free loans, grants and the American Patriot Scholarship. For more information, send email to edassist@moaa.org.

Other organizations that offer educational assistance to military personnel, veterans and their dependents include:

- **Army Emergency Relief.** Offers Dependent Children Education Program and Spouse Education Program.
- **Air Force Aid Society.** Offers General Henry H. Arnold Education Grant Program and General George S. Brown Spouse Tuition Assistance Program (STAP).
- **Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation.** Offers more than 1,600 scholarships a year totaling about $5 million to children of members of the Marine Corps who have been killed or wounded in combat or who demonstrate financial need.
- **Navy Marine Corps Relief Society.** Offers VADM E.P. Travers Scholarship and Loan Program, USS Tennessee Scholarship Fund, Dependents of Deceased Service Members Scholarship Program, Admiral Mike Boorda Scholarship Program, Bridge Loans for Tuition Assistance Program and GI Bill and Spouse Tuition Aid Program (STAP).
- **Coast Guard Mutual Aid.** Offers the CGMA Supplemental Education Grant (SEG) Program, Stafford/PLUS Loan Origination Fee Refund Program and CGMA Supplemental Student Loans. See also the USCG Foundation Education Grant Program.
• **National Association for Uniformed Services (NAUS).** NAUS offers several undergraduate scholarships annually. For more information, see [www.NAUS.org/scholarship](http://www.NAUS.org/scholarship).

**ThanksUSA Scholarship Program**

ThanksUSA is a non-profit tax exempt charitable organization focused on thanking American troops. ThanksUSA sponsors a large scholarship program for children and spouses of active duty US military personnel. As many as 500 scholarships worth $3,000 each are available for undergraduate study at accredited two and four year institutions of higher education. A minimum GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale is required. Active duty US military personnel is defined as having served on active duty in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines and Coast Guard for at least 180 days since September 11, 2001, including all members of the Armed Forces who were killed or wounded in action. (Members of the reserves who have been activated to full-time duty and federalized members of the National Guard are eligible.) Dependent children (including adopted and stepchildren) must be age 24 and under as of the deadline. The scholarship program opens on April 1 and the deadline is May 15. Recipients are selected based on financial need, academic performance, leadership and community service. Preference is given to the families of military personnel who are wounded or killed during active duty. For more information, call 1-877-THX-USAS (1-877-849-8727), write to ThanksUSA Scholarship Program, Scholarship America, c/o Shellee Hintz, One Scholarship Way, PO Box 297, Saint Peter, MN 56082, or send email to shintz@scholarshipamerica.org.

2017 Scholarships for Military Children: [www.commissaries.com](http://www.commissaries.com) and apply directly at [www.militaryscholar.org](http://www.militaryscholar.org). Students must be enrolled in college full time and be dependents of active duty, reserve, Guard and retired military members.

**DOD Launches New Website for Career Pathways:**

Visit [www.Myfuture.com](http://www.Myfuture.com) and explore the benefits of a military career. More than 1,000 civilian and military career fields and nearly 7,000 accredited colleges and trade schools are featured.

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**Registering with Selective Service-Attention all 17 and 18 year old male students:** If you are not registered with Selective Service, you must do so within 30 days of turning 18. You MUST register. This is not a school requirement, it’s the law. If you fail to register, it will affect your ability to receive Federal college loans, grants and student aid. In addition, it will affect your ability to receive job training or to gain citizenship. It will even curtail opportunities to get many good jobs in the future. Register online at [www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov), or fill out a registration card at any U.S. Post Office.

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**United States Coast Guard Academy Summer Program for Juniors** – Application Deadline: April 1, 2019. Visit [www.cga.edu](http://www.cga.edu) or call 1-800-883-USCG.

**Academy Introduction Mission (AIM)**

It is important that you make an informed decision about applying to and attending the Coast Guard Academy. Our Academy Introduction Mission (AIM) is a one-week summer program that gives you the chance to see if the Academy is right for you, and if you have what it takes to succeed. If you are selected, you will experience the rigor, discipline, and rewards of the Coast Guard Academy personally, just like a cadet, for one week in July following your junior year in high school. You meet faculty and staff, learn about our academic, military, and athletic programs, talk with cadets who have sailed the Eagle, flown aircraft, and started their leadership journey, and meet with Coast Guard professionals who are protecting our nation right now. Success at AIM is a good indicator of success at the Coast Guard Academy. Typically, 50% of AIM grads earn appointments to the Academy.

The United States Naval Academy Summer Seminar is a fast-paced, six-day experience for high achievers who have completed their junior year in high school. Summer Seminar teaches you about life at the Naval Academy, where academics, athletics, and professional training play equally important roles in developing our nation's leaders. If you think that you may be interested in pursuing an appointment to one of the nation's service academies and serving your country as an officer, you should seriously consider attending the Naval Academy's Summer Seminar.

2019 Summer Seminar Dates: Session 1: May 31-June 5, Session 2: 7-12 June, Session 3: 14-19 June

The Summer Seminar application will open on January 16, 2019!

West Point United States Military Academy Summer Leaders Seminar – Application Deadline: April 1, 2019. Visit www.usma.edu

The Summer Leaders Seminar (SLS) program gives high school juniors a week to experience life as a cadet in their college decision process. It is a fast-paced program of academic classes, military training, physical fitness training and intramural athletics conducted during the couple of weeks in June each year.

College Week Live

Virtual College Info free and available online www.CollegeWeekLive.com

Research Jobs & Careers

www.careeronestop.com

BrainTrack’s Career Guide http://www.braintrack.com/colleges-by-career This guide offers in-depth career profiles as well as degree and wage statistics for over 300 occupations that commonly require college or university education.

What can I do with this major? Go to www.collegemajors101.com

Employment Information: The Maryland Job Service is located at 175 Post Office Road in Waldorf, Maryland. Office hours for Job Service referrals are from 8:00 am-3:00 pm daily. Maryland Job Service: 301-645-8712 or go online at www.careernet.state.md.us

DOD Launches New Website to Help Youth Explore Pathways for Their Future: http://www.myfuture.com
APPRENTICESHIPS

Plumbers and Gasfitters Apprenticeship sponsored by Washington, DC Plumbers & Gasfitters Local No. 5, apply in person, July 1 from 7 am to 12 noon, for classes beginning August 2017, 8509 Ardwick-Ardmore Rd, Landover, MD 20785, 301-322-8810, more info in the Career Center

Heat and Frost Insulators & Allied Workers Local #24 accepting applications for Apprenticeship; starting pay $13.25/hr. plus benefits, must be 18 years old, apply in person at 901 Montgomery Street, Laurel, MD. Application fee $25.00, questions 301-498-9162

Employment Information: The Maryland Job Service is located at 175 Post Office Road in Waldorf, Maryland. Office hours for Job Service referrals are from 8:00 am-3:00 pm daily. Maryland Job Service: 301-645-8712 or go online at www.careernet.state.md.us

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SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Now Hiring: Charles County Park Locations: Assistant Managers* - Gilbert Run, Park Attendants* - White Plains, Stethem, Charlie Wright, Turkey Hill, Bensville, Laurel Springs, Mallows Bay, Oak Ridge, Pisgah and Bryantown Soccer Parks; Park Attendant* - Gilbert Run, Concession Workers – Laurel Springs, Youth Helper – Gilbert Run. Flexible hours include weekday evenings and weekends. Please call 301-932-3470, Monday – Friday 8 am – 4 pm for application information. Deadline for applications is February 22, 2019 * Park Attendants should be 18 or older, high school seniors will be considered. Concession Workers and Park Helpers must be 16 or older as of April 1, 2019.

Seniors Interested in Nursing???
The RN STAT Program is a nursing scholarship and mentoring program between College of Southern Maryland and The University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center. http://charlesregionalcareers.org/rn-sta

For more information or for an application, please contact the Hospital Education office at 301-609-4327.
February Deadline:

**American Indian Scholarship Information**
*National DAR – American Indians Committee*
Eligible: Seniors  
Criteria: American Indian, GPA 3.25+, financial need  
Award: Varies  

**The Bill of Rights Institute**
*WE THE STUDENTS ESSAY CONTEST*
Eligible: 9-12 graders  
Criteria: Essay – To see the essay topic, go to: [https://billofrightsinstitute.org/engage/students-programs-events/scholarship/](https://billofrightsinstitute.org/engage/students-programs-events/scholarship/)
Award: $500-$5,000  
Deadline: 2/14; [https://billofrightsinstitute.org/engage/students-programs-events/scholarship/](https://billofrightsinstitute.org/engage/students-programs-events/scholarship/)

**Cynthia E. Morgan Scholarship Fund**
Eligible: Junior or Senior  
Criteria: First generation college student, will attend a Maryland college with a major in a medical-related field  
Award: $1,000  

**Jimmy Rane Foundation Scholarship**
Eligible: Senior  
Criteria: 3.0+, U.S. Citizen or permanent resident  
Award: $500-$5,000  
Deadline: 2/6; [https://www.jimmyranefoundation.org/eligibility](https://www.jimmyranefoundation.org/eligibility)

**St. Mary’s Business, Education and Community Alliance Scholarship**
Eligible: Senior  
Criteria: Varies based on scholarship  
Award: Amount varies  
Deadline: 2/23; [http://smcbeca.org/common-scholarship-application](http://smcbeca.org/common-scholarship-application)

**Nu Zeta Omega Chapter Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Scholarship**
Eligible: Senior  
Criteria: Must plan to attend an Historically Black College or University (HBCU) on a fulltime basis in the year of graduation. Additionally, four (4) scholarships in the amount of $500 will be awarded to two (2) students who plan to attend the College of Southern Maryland and to two (2) students who plan to attend St. Mary’s College on a full-time basis in the year of graduation.  
Award: Amount varies  
National Co-op Scholarship Program
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: GPA 3.5+, one page essay, to qualify for the merit co-op scholarship, students must complete all the required admissions material and be accepted for the 2019-2020 academic year at one or more of the ten WACE Partner Colleges & Universities.
Award: $6,000 renewable
Deadline: 2/15; www.co-op.edu

National Society DAR Scholarships
Multiple scholarships, pursuit of degrees in diverse disciplines including history, law, nursing, and education.
For INFORMATION and APPLICATIONS go to: http://dar.org/natsociety/edout_scholar.cfm
**THERE ARE LOTS AND LOTS OF SCHOLARSHIPS ON THIS LINK!!!**
Deadline: 2/10; http://dar.org/natsociety/edout_scholar.cfm

National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) Scholarships
Multiple scholarships, pursuit of degrees in diverse disciplines including history, law, nursing, and education. For information and applications: http://dar.org/natsociety/edout_scholar.cfm
Deadline: 2/10

General Scholarship

RICHARD AND ELIZABETH DEAN SCHOLARSHIP—The Richard and Elizabeth Dean Scholarship is a preferred amount of $5,000 each year for up to four consecutive years to graduating high school students. The selection process shall be based on academic merit with an initial minimum GPA of 3.75. Renewal is conditional upon maintenance of a GPA of 3.25. This scholarship is renewable only after review and approval of the annual official transcript. Renewal transcript must be submitted to the Office of the Reporter General by July 1 of the year of renewal or the scholarship is forfeited.

Political Science, History, Government, and Economics Scholarships

A separate application must be submitted for each scholarship in this group.

DR. AURA-LEE A. PITTENGER AND JAMES HOBBS PITTENGER AMERICAN HISTORY SCHOLARSHIP—A scholarship in the amount of $2,000 each year for up to four consecutive years to a graduating high school senior who will have a concentrated study of a minimum of 24 credit hours in American History or American Government, while in college. This award is intended to promote the study of history among our finest students. United States citizens residing abroad may apply through a Units Overseas Chapter. Renewal is conditional upon maintenance of a GPA of 3.25.

JLV College Counseling Scholarships with Monthly Deadlines

https://jlvcollegecounseling.com/scholarships/monthly-scholarships/
THE LUCINDA BENEVENTI FINDLEY HISTORY SCHOLARSHIP—A one-time $2,000 scholarship awarded to graduating high school seniors who have demonstrated advanced interest in history and are planning to major in, or pursue the study of, history in a full-time, accredited college or university in the United States. The applicant must have a GPA of 3.25.

Nursing School Scholarships

These are one-time awards of $1,000. It is only necessary to submit one application for consideration for any award in this group or for the Madeline Picket Halbert Cogswell Nursing Scholarship listed under Special Scholarships.

CAROLINE E. HOLT NURSING SCHOLARSHIP—One-time $1,000 scholarship for students who are in financial need and have been accepted or are currently enrolled in an accredited school of nursing. A letter of acceptance into the Nursing Program or the transcript stating that the applicant is enrolled in the Nursing Program must be included with the application.

MILDRED NUTTING SCHOLARSHIP—One-time $1,000 scholarship for students who are in financial need and have been accepted or are currently enrolled in an accredited school of nursing. A letter of acceptance into the Nursing Program or the transcript stating that the applicant is in the Nursing Program must be enclosed with the application. Preference will be given to candidates from the Lowell, MA area.

OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY SCHOLARSHIP—One-time $1,000 scholarship for students who are in financial need and have been accepted or are attending an accredited school of Occupational Therapy including art, music, or physical therapy. A letter of acceptance into the Occupational Therapy Program or the transcript stating the applicant is in the Occupational Therapy Program must be included with the application.

Medical Scholarships

These awards are in the amount of $5,000 annually for up to four years, with a maximum of $20,000 total. These awards are available only in consecutive four-year increments. It is necessary to submit only one application for consideration for any award in this group.

Specific Scholarships

A separate application must be submitted for each scholarship in this group.

MARGARET HOWARD HAMILTON SCHOLARSHIP—A $1,000 scholarship awarded for up to four years to a graduating high school senior who has been accepted into the Harvey and Bernice Jones Learning Center, housing the Ben D. Caudle Learning Program, University of the Ozarks, Clarksville, Arkansas. Applications must be requested directly from the Learning Center upon acceptance into their program for learning disabled students.

LILLIAN AND ARTHUR DUNN SCHOLARSHIP—A $2,000 scholarship awarded for up to four years to well qualified, deserving sons and daughters of members of the NSDAR for four years of college. Renewal is conditional upon maintenance of a GPA of 3.25. Outstanding recipients will be considered for an additional period of up to four years of study. DAR member number of mother (who is a current, dues paying member) must be on the application.

MADELINE PICKETT HALBERT COGSWELL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP—One-time $1,000 scholarship for students who have been accepted or are currently enrolled in an accredited school of nursing, who are members of NSDAR, descendants of members of NSDAR, or are eligible to be members of NSDAR (must be established). A letter of acceptance into the Nursing Program or the transcript stating that the applicant is in the Nursing Program must be included with the application. DAR member number must be on the application.

NELLIE LOVE BUTCHER MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP shall be given annually to a male or female music student who is pursuing an education in piano or voice. Special consideration shall be given to students currently attending the Duke Ellington School of the Performing Arts, Washington, DC. This substantial scholarship is for one year, and is not automatically renewable; however, recipients may reapply for consideration each year for four years based on maintaining a 3.0 grade point average. Special CD submission instructions available upon request.
March Deadline:

ACS (American Chemical Society) Scholars Award
Eligible: Senior
Criteria: Student must be African-American, Hispanic/Latino or American Indian, accredited college or university or community college, GPA 3.0+ in chemistry or science, financial need, major in a chemically-related science or chemical technology.
Award: Up to $5000
Deadline: 3/1, www.acs.org/content/acs/en/funding-and-awards/scholarships/acsscholars/apply.html

Air Force Officers’ Spouses’ Club of Washington D.C.
Eligible: Graduating college-bound seniors who are dependents of an active duty, retired, MIA/POW, or deceased Air Force member residing in the Washington, D.C. area
Criteria: 3.25+ unweighted GPA, standardized test scores, extracurricular activities, leadership
Award: varies each year
Deadline: 3/1;
https://nebula.wsimg.com/b9e310bec933d5867ab125864576ec0f?AccessKeyId=AD8589E28C0AED6310BB&disposition=0&alloworigin=1

American Foreign Service – National High School Essay Contest
Eligible: 9th-12th grade students, parents can NOT be members of the Foreign Service
Criteria: Essay, US Citizen
Award: $1,250 - $2,500
Deadline: 3/15; http://www.afsa.org/afsa-scholarships

American Legion Auxiliary Scholarships
Deadline: 3/1; For more information visit: www.ALAforVeterans.org

American Welding Society District Scholarship
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: Students seeking an undergraduate degree in welding engineering, welding technology, or a welding related field, must be accepted into a welding related educational or training program
Award: $1,000 and up, renewable
Deadline: 3/1;
https://www.aws.org/foundation/page/scholarships

Automotive Scholarship Gateway
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: Career in the automotive industry.
Deadline: 3/31;
https://www.automotivescholarships.com/apply_online.cfm

Charles County Arts Alliance Scholarship
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: 3.0+GPA, accepted to continue in a performing, visual or literary arts program of study (major) at a four-year college or university, resume, essay, letter of recommendation, transcript
Award: $1,000
Deadline: 3/8; https://charlescountyarts.org/program/scholarships/
The Charles County Scholarship Fund has a variety of scholarships available for SENIORS! Even though you may not be a senior......start looking at what opportunities will be available to you when you are!!!

Charles County Scholarship Fund

Award: Various  Deadline: March 1

Applications are available online at
https://www.ccboe.com/ss/charles-county-scholarship-fund-inc/

Colonial Farm Credit Foundation, Inc.
Eligible: Student in each of the eleven association branch territories, which includes Charles County
Criteria: Varied but includes scholastic ability, leadership, financial need & educational goals
Award: Varies
Deadline: 3/1;
https://www.colonialfarmcredit.com/scholarships

Create-A-Holiday-Card Scholarship
Eligible: High school students
Criteria: Submit original photo, artwork or computer graphic for the front of a greeting card.
Award: $10,000 scholarship
Deadline: 3/1; https://www.gallerycollection.com/greetingcardscontests.htm

Credit Union Foundation Scholarship
Eligible: Seniors who are members of a Maryland or D.C. based credit union
Criteria: Three categories: Essay, Video, or Photo
Award: $1,000
Deadline: 3/31; http://www.cufound.org/consumer-resources/college-scholarship/

Fort Washington Alumnae Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.
Eligible: Seniors planning to attend a 2-4-year college or university
Criteria: GPA 2.5+
Award: $1,000
Deadline: 3/6; See Ms. Morton in the Career Center for the application

Lockheed Martin STEM Scholarship
Eligible: Senior
Criteria: GPA 3.5+, 4-year college bound, majors: various Engineering programs, Computer Science, Systems Engineering, Math, Physics, Information Systems/Management Information Systems or Information Assurance, be willing to consider a paid internship with Lockheed Martin
Award: 200 scholarships of $10,000 per student, renewable each year
Deadline: 3/12, www.lockheedmartin.com/scholarship

Southern Maryland Community Enrichment Center Scholarship
Eligible: High School Seniors
Criteria: Charles County Resident with a GPA of 2.5+
Award: varies
Deadline: 3/22; http://somcec.org/scholarship/

Dwight P. Jacobus Scholarships
Association of School Business Officials Maryland and the District of Columbia
Eligible: High School Seniors
Criteria: Resident of Maryland for at least one year preceding the date of award, been accepted for admission as a full time student (as defined by the recipient’s attending school), demonstrated financial need, GPA 3.0+
Award: $1,000
Deadline: 3/31;
https://asbo.org/Jacobus_Scholarships
**Fort Myer Thrift Shop Scholarship**
Eligible: Graduating college-bound seniors who are dependents of an active duty, retired, or deceased Army member residing in the Greater Washington Area
Criteria: 3.0+ GPA, Academic and citizenship achievements, essay, recommendations, transcript.
Award: varies

**PDK Prospective Educator Scholarship Program**
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: Must major in education, goals statement, letter of recommendation, transcript
Award: Varies
Deadline: 3/1; Applications available in the Career Center

**Washington Regional Transplant Consortium**
Legacy of Life Scholarship
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: Write an essay or produce a video that will convince people to register to be organ, eye and tissue donors.
Award: $1,000-$5,000
Deadline: 3/31; [https://www.beadonor.org/scholarship-information/](https://www.beadonor.org/scholarship-information/)

**Tri-County MD Alumnae Chapter – Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**
*Dr. Elvear B. Johnson Scholarship*
Eligible: Seniors with a 3.0 GPA or better
Criteria: Students must plan to study liberal arts, science, technology, engineering, math or education.
Award: $500
Deadline: 3/31; See Ms. Morton for the application or [https://dsttricountymd.org/projects/social-action-2/](https://dsttricountymd.org/projects/social-action-2/)

**Blacks in Government – Coast Guard Chapter**
Eligible: Seniors with a 2.0 GPA or better
Criteria: Essay on one of three presented topics
Award: $1,000 Engineering Scholarship $500 General Scholarship
Deadline: 3/31; See Ms. Morton for the application

**Charlotte Hall School Board of Trustees Scholarship**
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: Essay
Award: Varies
Deadline: 3/31; See Ms. Morton for the application

**2019 Betty T. Wooten Undergraduate Nursing Scholarship**
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: Planning to study nursing and attend Ebenezer A.M.E. Church or those affiliated with a religious organization in the State of Maryland. GPA 3.0 +
Award: Varies
Deadline: 3/31; See Ms. Morton for the application

**Boule Foundation Scholarship**
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: 3.0 + GPA, be of African-American descent
Award: $4,000
April Deadline:

**Delegate Edith Patterson Scholarship**
Eligible: Senior
Criteria: Attending a 2 or 4-year college or university in Maryland
Award: Varies
Deadline: 4/1; See Ms. Morton for the application

**Delegate C.T. Wilson Scholarship**
Eligible: Senior
Criteria: Attending a 2 or 4-year college or university in Maryland
Award: Varies
Deadline: 4/1; See Ms. Morton for the application

**Maryland Senatorial Scholarship**
Senator Arthur Ellis
Eligible: Senior
Criteria: Student must be Maryland residents living in the 28th legislative district. Scholarships will not be granted to students outside of the 28th District. The 28th District includes all of Charles County with the exclusion of Pinefield, Brandywine, Bryantown and Hughesville (all District 27A). If you need to verify your residence in the 28th district, please visit [http://mdelect.net/](http://mdelect.net/).
Award: Varies
Deadline: 4/1; [https://www.arthurellis.us/scholarship.html](https://www.arthurellis.us/scholarship.html)

**Educational Systems Federal Credit Union**
*Rosemary Brinkley Business and Finance Scholarship*
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: Completed Business Management & Finance Program Course requirements, internship and essay
Award: $500
Deadline: 4/1; [https://supporteducation.org/helping-college-bound-students/rosemary-brinkley-scholarship/](https://supporteducation.org/helping-college-bound-students/rosemary-brinkley-scholarship/)

**Educational Systems Federal Credit Union**
The Dorothy Marvil Memorial Scholarship
Eligible: Seniors who are members of Educational Systems Federal Credit Union
Criteria: GPA 2.75+ and essay
Award: $3,000
Deadline: 4/3; [https://supporteducation.org/helping-college-bound-students/high-school-scholarship/](https://supporteducation.org/helping-college-bound-students/high-school-scholarship/)

**Miss Utility/District One Call Scholarship**
Eligible: High School Senior
Criteria: Application and essay
Award: $1,008.11
Deadline: 4/5; applications available in the Career Center

**Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Scholarship**
*Phi Alpha Zeta Chapter*
Eligible: Seniors with a GPA of 2.5+
Criteria: Write a 250-500-word essay discussing one of the following topics:
a. Who has most influenced your academic journey and how?
b. In what ways have you demonstrated a commitment to community service?
c. Describe your future plans and how your college education will support you in achieving your goals.
Award: $500
Deadline: 4/12; applications available in the Career Center
**National Pan-Hellenic Council Scholarship**  
*Southern MD Chapter*  
**Eligible:** Seniors  
**Criteria:** Essay and GPA 2.75+  
**Award:** $500 - $1,000  
**Deadline:** 4/6, applications available in the Career Center

**La Plata Rotary Educational Grant**  
**Eligible:** Seniors  
**Criteria:** Application and Interview  
**Award:** $500-$5,000  
**Deadline:** 4/12; applications available in the Career Center

**Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative (SMECO) Scholarship**  
**Eligible:** Graduating high school seniors residing within the SMECO service area  
**Criteria:** Must have a cumulative 3.0+ GPA, Based on Scholastic Achievement (40%), Financial Need (50%), Community Involvement & School Involvement (10%) - Essay required, see application for topic.  
**Award:** $1,500  
**Deadline:** 4/12; Applications available in the Career Center or can be downloaded at: [https://www.smeco.coop/community/schools/scholarships](https://www.smeco.coop/community/schools/scholarships). For more information contact Bernadette Lewis at 1-888-440-3311, ext.4340 or email her at Bernadette.Lewis@smeco.coop or visit [www.smeco.coop](http://www.smeco.coop)

**State of Maryland International Reading Association Council**  
*Joseph Fox, Jr. Memorial Scholarship*  
**Eligible:** Seniors majoring in Education with the intent to pursue teaching as a career  
**Criteria:** GPA 3.2+, Must major in education and intend to pursue teaching as a career, community service in education-related activities or organizations/clubs  
**Award:** $2,000  
**Deadline:** 4/15; [www.somirac.org/scholarship-opportunities.html](http://www.somirac.org/scholarship-opportunities.html); [www.somirac.org](http://www.somirac.org)

**Student-View Scholarship**  
**Eligible:** Seniors  
**Criteria:** 10-15-minute survey  
**Award:** varies from $500 - $4,000  
**Deadline:** 4/22; [http://www.student-view.com/ScholarshipWmap.html](http://www.student-view.com/ScholarshipWmap.html)

**STEM Innovators Scholarship**  
*National Society of Black Engineers: Potomac River Professionals Chapter*  
**Eligible:** African American Seniors  
**Criteria:** Major in Science, Technology, Engineering or Math  
**Award:** $1,000  
**Deadline:** 4/30; [http://nsbepotomacriver.org/](http://nsbepotomacriver.org/)

**May Deadline:**

**Port Tobacco Players Memorial Scholarship**  
**Eligible:** Graduating high school seniors  
**Criteria:** Involvement in the performing arts and community service.  
**Award:** $1,000  
**Deadline:** 5/1; [http://www.ptplayers.com/ptp-memorial-scholarship-award.html](http://www.ptplayers.com/ptp-memorial-scholarship-award.html)
Charles County Farm Bureau Scholarship
Eligible: Seniors interested in Animal Science or agriculture related fields
Criteria: 1000-word essay
Award: $1000

Balfour Scholarship Sweepstakes
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: Enter sweepstakes online; https://www.balfour.com/scholarship
Award: Weekly prize packs, $1,000 - $10,000
Deadline: 5/25

B. Davis Scholarship
Eligible: Juniors and seniors
Criteria: 1000 word essay
Award: $1000
Deadline: 5/22; www.studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm

Society of Women Engineers
Eligible: Graduating high school female, applicant in good standing or accepted for Fall 2016 term at an ABET/CSAB accredited engineering degree program
Criteria: 3.0-4.0 GPA, letters of reference
Award: Varied
Deadline: 5/1; https://scholarships.swe.org/applications/login.asp

Sun Trust Scholarship
Eligible: High School Seniors
Criteria: Two winners will be chosen every two weeks from September 12, 2016 through May 12, 2017.
Award: $500
Apply: https://www.suntrusteducation.com/ScholarshipSweepstakes/- NO PURCHASE NECESSARY TO ENTER TO WIN

June Deadline:

Abbott and Fenner Business Consultants Scholarship
Eligible: Juniors & Seniors
Criteria: To apply for this scholarship you will need to write an essay on the topic below. The essay should be between 500 and 1000 words. “Describe your educational career and life goals. Explain your plan for achieving these goals. Include your degree/major, why you selected it, and how this degree/major will help you achieve your goals.”
Award: $1,000
Deadline: 6/12; http://www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm

Aspiring Animation Professional Scholarship Program
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: intends to pursue an animation related field at an accredited post-secondary school or college, have a passion for an animation related career.
Award: $1,000
Deadline: 6/1; www.AnimationCareerReview.com
Aspiring Business Professional Scholarship
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: intend to pursue a business related field and have a passion and drive for a business related career, demonstrate academic success
Award: $1000
Deadline: 6/1; www.onlinembareport.com/ombar-aspiring-business-professional-scholarship-program,
www.onlinembareport.com/

Aspiring Fashion Professional Scholarship Program
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: intend to pursue a fashion related field at an accredited post-secondary school or college, have a passion for a fashion related career.
Award: $1,000
Deadline: 6/1; www.fashion-schools.org/aspiring-fashion-professional-scholarship-program

Aspiring Nurse Scholarship
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: A track record of academic excellence, particularly in science & math, a passion for the nursing profession and the overall field of healthcare.
Award: $1,000
Deadline: 6/30; www.nursingschoolsalmanac.com

The Big Sun Scholarship
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: Student involved in a sport in high school or the community
Award: $500
Deadline: 6/19; www.bigsunathletics.com

July Deadline:

Console & Hollawell’s Legal Scholarship
Eligible: Seniors
Criteria: students planning to pursue a legal degree, pre-law, paralegal, legal assisting
Award: $1000

Ongoing:

Kids’ Chance of Maryland, Inc.
Eligible: Student with a parent or guardian who has suffered a catastrophic or fatal accidental injury or occupational disease while working for a Maryland employer
Award: Varies, depending on need and educational expenses, covers tuition and books, may also include housing and meals
Apply: www.kidschance-md.org

SCHOLARSHIPS from SPECIFIC SCHOOLS or ORGANIZATIONS

Here are some scholarship opportunities offered by specific schools or organizations.

ALWAYS, ALWAYS, ALWAYS
go to the college’s website to check for more scholarship opportunities!!!

To be eligible for scholarships offered by individual schools, the student must apply and be planning to attend that particular college or university.

Medical Condition Scholarships
This is a listing of scholarships that are offered for students with specific medical conditions. There are also some for
students who have a parent or a family member with a specific diagnosis. Most can be used at any school. Some cover one specific condition, while others cover whole types of diagnoses (such as all types of cancers) or even all chronic diseases. Most have some type of eligibility requirements, usually financial ones.

**How to Search for Scholarships:**
The scholarships are sorted several ways:
- **By Medical Condition/Diagnosis** (specific conditions such as brain cancer or general categories like cancer)
- **By Non-Medical Condition** (social, emotional, psychological or educational issues and disabilities. This includes such categories as bereavement, bullying victims, family issues and children whose family has or is in the Armed Forces).
- **By All Conditions**
- **By Residency of Applicant**
- **By Scholarship Name**

Visit: [http://www.needymeds.org/scholarships.taf](http://www.needymeds.org/scholarships.taf)

**Thurgood Marshall College Fund (TMCF) Scholarships**
TMCF manages various scholarship programs specifically for students attending TMCF member institutions. To see a list of those Historically Black Colleges and Universities go to: [https://tmcf.org/about-us/our-schools/member-schools](https://tmcf.org/about-us/our-schools/member-schools) and to apply for a TMCF scholarship, you must apply through the on-line application process. For more information about deadlines and the award amounts, go to: [https://tmcf.org/our-scholarships/current-scholarships](https://tmcf.org/our-scholarships/current-scholarships)

**United Negro College Fund (UNCF) Scholarships**
UNCF manages various scholarship programs specifically for students attending UNCF member institutions. To see the list of those Historically Black Colleges and Universities go to: [https://www.uncf.org/member-colleges](https://www.uncf.org/member-colleges). To apply for UNCF scholarships, you must register and apply through the on-line application process. For more information about deadlines and the award amounts, go to: [https://scholarships.uncf.org/](https://scholarships.uncf.org/)

**SCHOLARSHIP and COLLEGE Information Online**

- [www.mhec.state.md.us](http://www.mhec.state.md.us)
- [www.finaid.com](http://www.finaid.com)
- [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)
- [www.blackstudents.blacknews.com](http://www.blackstudents.blacknews.com)
- [www.meritaid.com](http://www.meritaid.com)
- [www.studentscholarships.org](http://www.studentscholarships.org)
- [www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com)
- [www.MDgo4it.org](http://www.MDgo4it.org)
- [www.cappex.com](http://www.cappex.com)
- [http://www.chegg.com/scholarships](http://www.chegg.com/scholarships)
- [https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college](https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college)
- [https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/](https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/)
- [www.collegestart.ed.gov](http://www.collegestart.ed.gov)
- [www.going2college.org](http://www.going2college.org)
- [http://www.goodcall.com](http://www.goodcall.com)

**College Affordability and Transparency Center**
This website by the U.S. Department of Education helps students find information about how much it costs to attend different colleges. Below is a list of links available:
- **College Scorecard** - Helps you search for a college that is a good fit.
- **College Navigator** - Helps you search for and compare colleges based on all sorts of criteria (costs, majors offered, size of school, campus safety, graduation rates, admission, retention, and financial aid).
- **Net Price Calculator Center** – Allows you to find links to colleges’ net price calculators. Net price calculators help you estimate how much colleges cost after scholarships and grants.
- **College Affordability and Transparency List** – You can find information about tuition and net prices at postsecondary institutions.

VISIT: [www.collegestart.ed.gov](http://www.collegestart.ed.gov)

**“My College Dollars”**
GI Transferability Bill
Post 9/11 GI Bill family transfer option allows service members to shift their benefits to their families. For more information, see www.benefits.va.gov/gibill/handouts_forms.asp. U.S. Senate approved a new benefit for student veterans and their families. The proposal would require public universities that want to continue receiving GI Bill benefits to offer recent veterans in-state tuition. Veterans’ spouses and dependents are also being eligible for the benefit.

Career One Stop
Search more than 7,500 scholarships, fellowships, loans, and other financial aid opportunities: www.careerinfonet.org/ScholarshipSearch.

Central Scholarship Bureau
Seniors planning to attend college full time in the fall who meet other eligibility requirements may apply for scholarships and loans through this Maryland agency. Applications begin Jan 1. Visit: www.central-scholarship.org

Student Scholarships.org
Maryland scholarship database, quality & depth information, huge time saver, free newsletter option, privacy policy www.studentsscholarships.org

Merit Scholarships
Seniors should contact the Financial Aid Office of their prospective colleges to see if separate applications for aid are due this fall. Some scholarships require a counselor or principal nomination. Ask your prospective colleges' financial aid office for merit scholarship applications. For additional information visit: https://www.cappex.com/scholarships/ (Scroll down to the Merit Aid information.)

Free Scholarship Searches
More than 70 no-cost scholarship websites, information which includes an instant GPA calculator, contact info. for every college in the U.S., a list of colleges which offer comprehensive programs for students with learning disabilities, lists of Christian, Catholic, and woman's colleges, a list of HBCU's, and links to more than 2,500 career schools, online degree programs, and colleges. www.collegescholarships.com/free-scholarship-searches/

Additional Resources:
The College of Southern Maryland also has some additional resources to help answer questions about Financial Aid (These resources are helpful no matter what college you plan to attend.)

Go to: http://csmd.financialaidtv.com/

Compare Financial Aid Offers & College costs:
http://www.consumerfinance.gov/paying-for-college/

Maryland Public Television (MPT) also has a website: Ways to Pay for College which provides resources and videos you can watch. Go to: www.mpt.org/college

These programs and scholarships are provided as a courtesy. Charles County Public Schools and Thomas Stone High School does not rate the quality or value of any of these. For more information on items in this newsletter, please see Ms. Morton in the Career Center.

Continue to check with Ms. Morton in the Career Center for new scholarships!