

Delaware Scholarship

Compendium

A Guide for College-Bound Students

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Dear Student,

The Delaware Higher Education Office is pleased to bring you the fall 2011 edition of the *Delaware Scholarship Compendium: A Guide for College-Bound Students*. Our goal in publishing the *Compendium* each year is to increase awareness of educational opportunities for students seeking education beyond high school.

A good education can be the key to a personally and financially rewarding future. Students who build on their secondary education will be better prepared for the opportunities and challenges of the future and, on average, they will earn more money and be less likely to become unemployed.

The *Compendium* is a family's guide to scholarships and awards that can help offset college costs. The scholarship donors in the *Compendium* represent a wide variety of interests and demonstrate their commitment to higher education by providing funds to make college possible for promising students.

We hope that you will take time to read the *Compendium* carefully. You will find tools to help you choose a college, understand financial aid, and plan for one of the most important investments of your life—your college education.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Maureen Laffey". The signature is written in black ink on a light-colored background.

Maureen Laffey
Director
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Delaware **Higher Education** Office

As part of the Delaware Department of Education, the Delaware Higher Education Office (DHEO) works to ensure that postsecondary education is accessible and affordable for Delaware residents by providing information and financial assistance to students and their families.

We administer 23 state-sponsored financial aid programs, which include grants, scholarships, regional contracts, and professional incentive programs. Last year, 2067 Delaware residents were awarded \$4,103,962 through these programs.

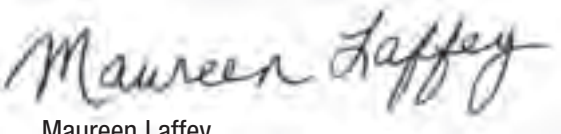
As a member of the Southern Regional Education Board, Delaware is able to provide additional tuition savings for its residents through the Academic Common Market. ACM undergraduate students attending college this year will save an average of \$13,100 in tuition costs, totaling more than \$1,000,000 in savings for the year. Since joining SREB in 1998, Delaware families have saved almost \$8,900,000 through the ACM program.

To increase educational opportunities for Delawareans, DHEO works with state officials to develop new financial assistance programs. Nineteen programs have been introduced since 1997:

- Academic Common Market
- Critical Need Scholarship
- Delaware College Investment Plan
- Delaware SEED Scholarship Program
- Delaware State Loan Repayment Plan for Health Professionals
- Delaware Teacher Corps
- Delaware Institute for Dental Education & Research (DIDER)/Temple University Partnership
- Michael C. Ferguson Achievement Award
- Governor's Education Grant for Working Adults
- Governor's Education Grant for Unemployed Adults
- Charles L. Hebner Memorial Scholarship
- Inspire Scholarship
- Legislative Essay Scholarship
- State University of New York Maritime College Regional Partnership
- National Board for Professional Teaching Standards Loan
- Nursing Education Retention Scholarship
- The Washington Center for Internships and Academic Seminars
- Veterinary Medicine Contract Program, Oklahoma State University
- Veterinary Medicine Contract Program, University of Georgia

DHEO also serves as the state's clearinghouse for postsecondary data and research. Data is collected on enrollment, financial aid, finance, and trends to meet state and federal mandates, regional contractual agreements, and national data sharing requirements.

The *Delaware Scholarship Compendium* was first published by DHEO in 1988 in response to requests for information from high school counselors, students, parents, and state legislators. If you have suggestions for information that you feel would benefit our readers, please let us know.



Maureen Laffey
Director

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Section 1: Planning & Paying for College

What is financial aid?

Your college education is one of the most important—and expensive—investments your family will make. How much will it cost? As shown in the table below, the college you choose will be an important factor in calculating your costs.

AVERAGE ESTIMATED UNDERGRADUATE BUDGET 2010–11

	Tuition/ Fees	Books/ Supplies	Room/ Board	Transpor- tation	Other	Total
4-year public						
In-state	7,605	1,137	8,535	1,073	1,989	\$20,339
Out-of-state	19,595	1,137	8,535	1,073	1,989	\$32,329
4-year private						
	27,293	1,181	9,700	862	1,440	\$40,476
2-year public						
Commuter	2,713	1,133	7,259	1,491	2,041	\$14,637

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To help meet these expenses, undergraduate students received an estimated 154.46 billion dollars in aid for the 2009–10 academic year. If your family is unable to pay the full cost of your college education, planning ahead and learning where and how to apply for financial aid will help you find the resources you need to continue your education.

Most financial aid falls into **two categories: need-based and merit-based**. Some programs require that you meet both criteria. Others programs, such as Unsubsidized Federal Stafford and PLUS Loans, are neither need- nor merit-based.

Although the primary requirement for receiving **need-based aid** is demonstrating financial need, you may also have to meet other eligibility criteria, such as your enrollment or residency status. The amount of need-based aid you receive depends on your college costs and your family's ability to pay these costs.

Merit-based aid is usually awarded in recognition of special skills or academic ability, but other considerations may apply, such as community service or your field of study.

Within the two categories, there are **four types** of financial aid: scholarships, grants, work-study, and loans.

1. Scholarships are not repaid and come from many sources (turn to page 19 for private scholarships and page 54 for state-sponsored scholarships). They may be awarded for academic achievement, artistic ability, athletic excellence, ethnicity, or group affiliation. They may be given for one year only, renewable, or require reapplication each year. The eligibility criteria, which sometimes includes financial need, are set by the award sponsor.

2. Grants, such as the Federal Pell Grant, are awarded based on financial need and do not have to be repaid. The State of Delaware's need-based grant, the Scholarship Incentive Program (SciP), also includes a merit component (see page 55).

3. Work-study is need-based and allows you to work part-time, often on campus, and earn money to help pay college costs. If you work off-campus, your employer is usually a private nonprofit organization or public agency. Your school may have an agreement with private for-profit employers that provide jobs that are relevant to your course of study. Money earned through the federal work-study program is not counted as income for the following year's need analysis for financial aid.

4. Loans from the federal government may be subsidized or unsubsidized. **Subsidized Direct Stafford Loans** are awarded based on financial need and interest is not charged while you are in school. **Unsubsidized Direct Stafford Loans** are not need-based and interest begins when the loan is made. Your parents may also be able to apply for an **Unsubsidized PLUS Loan** up to your cost of attendance minus any other financial aid you receive. In 2009–10, federal loans provided 43% of total undergraduate student aid (see chart on page 6).

Financial Aid Categories

Need-based:	Grants Federal Work-study Perkins Loan Subsidized Direct Stafford Loan
Merit-based:	Delaware SEED Scholarship Program Inspire Scholarship Federal TEACH Grant Program
Merit- and need-based:	Private scholarships (can be either or both) Delaware Scholarship Incentive Program (SciP)
Not merit- or need-based:	Unsubsidized Direct Stafford Loan Unsubsidized Federal PLUS Loan for Parents Federal Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant Tax credits (income restrictions apply)

Am I **eligible**?

The first step to determine your eligibility for need-based financial aid is to calculate your cost of attendance:

	Tuition and fees
+	Room and board
+	Other costs (books, supplies, transportation, personal)
=	Cost of attendance

To the extent possible, parents and students are expected to contribute to the cost of attendance. Your expected family contribution (**EFC**) will be calculated when you file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**FAFSA**). The federal processor uses a need analysis formula to evaluate your family's ability to pay the cost of attendance. Your EFC will be identified on your Student Aid Report (**SAR**) after your FAFSA has been processed.

The federal formula considers family income, accumulated savings, amount of taxes paid, family size, the number of children enrolled in college, the age of the older parent and how close they may be to retirement, and the student's own financial resources. Assets that are considered include money in the bank, the value of a business, rental property, stocks and bonds, and other property or investments. The family's primary residence is not considered among assets for the purpose of determining eligibility for federal financial aid.

Financial need is the amount that remains when your EFC is subtracted from the cost of attendance:

	Cost of attendance
—	Expected family contribution (EFC)
=	Financial need

Financial aid is usually paid through the college you attend and is coordinated by the financial aid office. The **financial aid package** you receive is calculated to meet as much of your financial need as possible and may include a combination of scholarships, grants, loans, and work-study from federal, state, and institutional sources.

Where do I **apply**?

Financial aid comes from **four main sources**:

- (1) federal government,
- (2) state government (see pages 54-58),
- (3) colleges, and
- (4) private scholarships (see pages 19-53).

To receive aid from any of these sources, you must **complete all required forms** clearly, accurately, and on time. You will not be eligible if you miss the application **deadline**.

(1) FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The U.S. Department of Education will assist almost 14 million students this year with grants, work-study, and loans. To be considered for federal aid, **you must complete the FAFSA after January 1 each year** and:

- demonstrate financial need (except for certain loans);
- be a U.S. citizen or eligible noncitizen with a valid Social Security number (SSN);
- be working toward a degree or certificate in an eligible program as defined by USDOE;
- have a high school diploma, a GED certificate, **or** complete a state-approved homeschool program;
- if you do not have a high school diploma or its equivalent, pass an approved ability-to-benefit (ATB) test **or** demonstrate that you have the ability to benefit from a postsecondary education by satisfactorily completing 6 credits toward a degree or certificate at the institution you plan to attend;
- if you have an intellectual disability, enroll in a comprehensive transition and postsecondary program as defined by USDOE;
- meet other approved standards your state establishes;
- register with the Selective Service if you are a male between the ages of 18 and 25;
- not be in default on a federal student loan; and
- maintain satisfactory academic progress once in school.

The federal **need-based** financial aid programs are:

- Pell Grant,
- Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG),
- Work-study,
- Perkins Loan, and
- Subsidized Direct Stafford Loan.

Federal programs that are **not need-based** include:

- Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant;
- Federal Iraq and Afghanistan Service Grant;
- Unsubsidized Direct Stafford Loan;
- PLUS Loan for Parents;
- Consolidation Loan;
- American Opportunity Credit, Lifelong Learning Credit, and other tax savings;
- Loan forgiveness and deferment;
- Educational assistance for veterans and dependents; and
- Military service.

For more information, contact:

Federal Student Aid Information Center
 PO Box 84
 Washington, DC 20044-0084
 800-4-FED-AID (800-433-3243)
 800-730-8913 (TTY users)
www.studentaid.ed.gov
www.fafsa.ed.gov

(2) STATE GOVERNMENT

The Delaware Higher Education Office administers the state’s student financial assistance programs, which include grants, scholarships for graduating high school seniors, regional contract programs, and professional incentive programs. Contact DHEO for information about:

- state-sponsored student aid programs and eligibility requirements (see pages 54 to 58),
- eligibility requirements for the Academic Common Market (see page 57), and
- statistical data about Delaware higher education institutions.

For more information, contact:

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 Carvel State Office Bldg.
 820 N. French St., Wilmington, DE 19801
 302-577-5240
 dheo@doe.k12.de.us

Effective November 1, 2011, contact us at:

John G. Townsend Building
 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901
 302-735-4120 / dheo@doe.k12.de.us

(3) COLLEGES

Request information about financial aid availability, procedures, and deadlines from the colleges you are considering. Each college has its own requirements and you may need to complete other forms in addition to the FAFSA. Private colleges may require the CSS/Profile (available online at www.collegeboard.com), which calculates your EFC using an institutional methodology, rather than

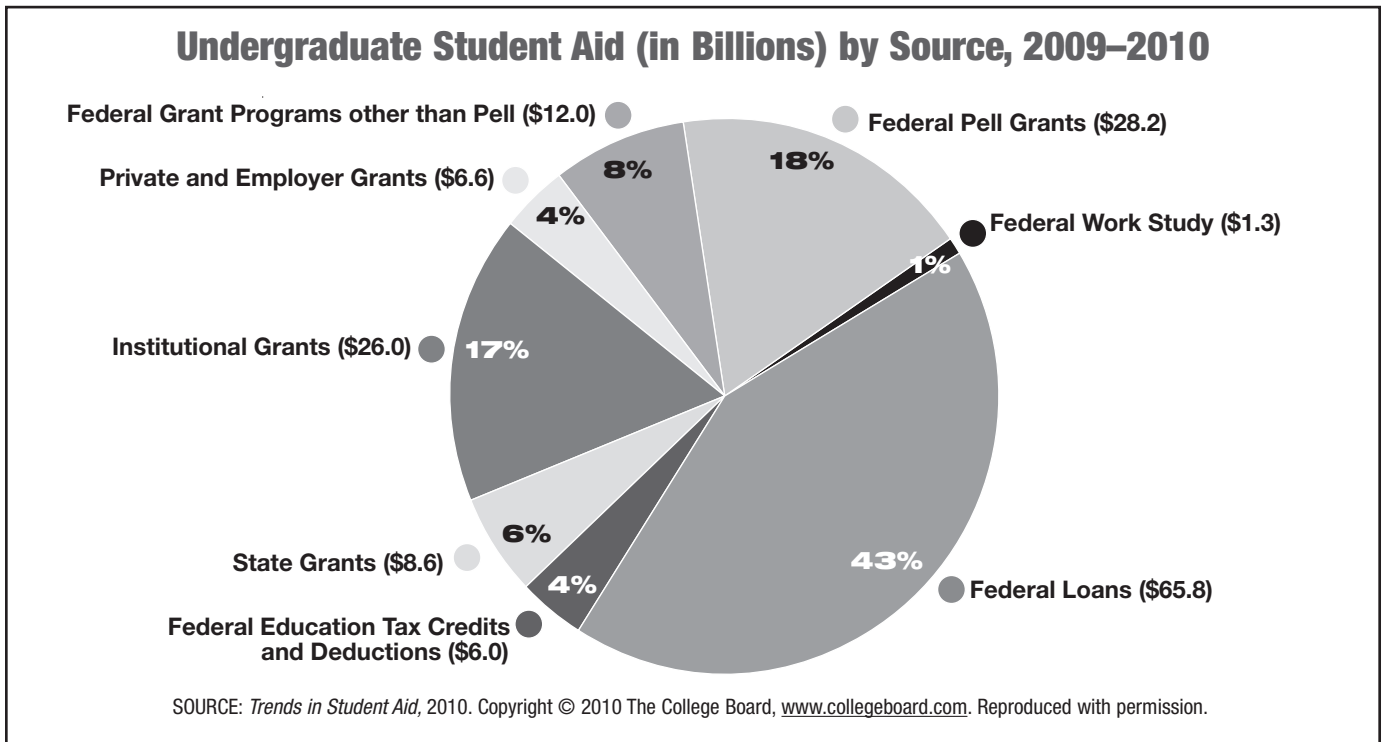
the federal methodology used for the FAFSA. Most institutional methodologies consider the net value of the family’s residence. The financial aid package that you receive from your college may include grants, loans, work-study, and scholarships.

(4) PRIVATE SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship donors usually require the completion of an application and may ask for financial documents, essays, and personal references. Contact the sponsoring organization to verify deadlines and requirements when applying for scholarships. In addition to reviewing the scholarships on pages 19 to 53, check with your high school counselor, college financial aid office, librarian, and on the Web (see pages 12 and 13). Scholarships come from many sources, including:

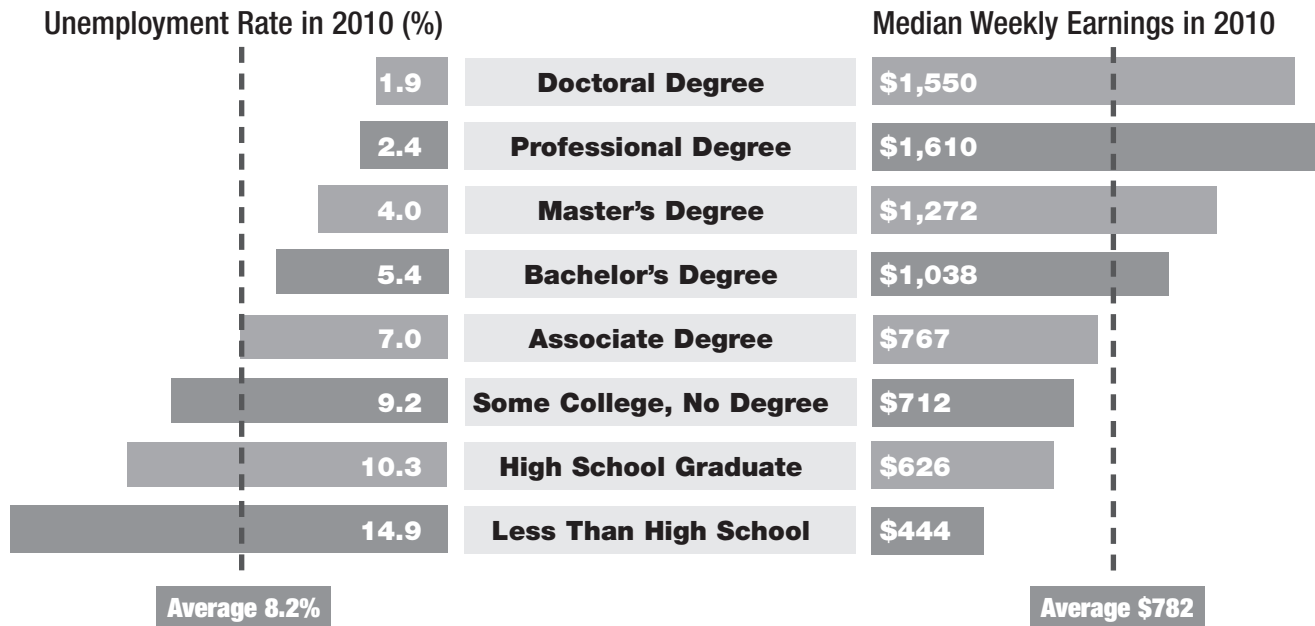
- local, state, and national organizations,
- foundations,
- religious organizations,
- fraternities and sororities,
- town and city clubs,
- civic groups,
- athletic groups,
- professional organizations,
- employer-provided tuition assistance, and
- businesses and corporations.

If you are awarded financial aid from your college, you must inform the financial aid office of any outside scholarships that you receive. Each school has its own policy for determining how outside scholarships affect the need-based aid you have been awarded in your financial aid package. For more information, see www.finaid.org/scholarships/outside.phtml.



Education Pays

in higher earnings and lower unemployment rates



Note: Data are 2010 annual averages for persons age 25 and over. Earnings are for full-time wage and salary workers.

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Current Population Survey

FREE PRINT AND ONLINE PUBLICATIONS

The **CASH FOR COLLEGE** brochure is available online at www.nasfaa.org and updated annually by the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA). It provides a clear overview of the financial aid process and answers a number of basic questions, such as “Where do I get a FAFSA?” and “How do I complete the FAFSA?”

The **DELAWARE CAREER COMPASS** is a step-by-step career and education guide published annually by the Delaware Department of Labor. It provides information about self-assessment, occupational opportunities, and education/training options. Helps students answer four important questions: 1) Who Am I?, 2) What's Out There?, 3) How Do I Decide?, and 4.) How Do I Do It? Available from your guidance counselor, by calling 302-761-8064, or at www.delawareworks.com/oolmi/Home.aspx under “Publications.”

FUNDING EDUCATION BEYOND HIGH SCHOOL: THE GUIDE TO FEDERAL STUDENT AID 2011–12 is a comprehensive source of information about the U.S. Department of Education's student aid programs. It provides detailed information about federal grants, loans, and work-study programs and clearly explains the

application process, as well as loan repayment responsibilities and options. Available online at www.studentaid.ed.gov in English or Spanish or by calling toll-free 800-4 FED-AID (800-433-3243).

STEPS TO COLLEGE NEWSLETTER is the National Association for College Admission Counseling's (NACAC) online newsletter for and about students in the school-to-college transition. Provides a wide range of information about college preparation, selection, admission, and financial aid. New stories are added throughout the year. Available online at www.nacacnet.org in “Publications and Resources” section.

TAX BENEFITS FOR EDUCATION (PUBLICATION 970) explains the tax benefits for those saving or paying for higher education costs, including: American Opportunity Credit; Lifetime Learning Credit; student loan interest deduction; student loan cancellations and repayment assistance; tuition and fees deduction; Coverdell Education Savings Account (ESA); Qualified Tuition Program (QTP); education exception to additional tax on early IRA distributions; Education Savings Bond Program; and more. Available at www.irs.gov or can be ordered by calling toll-free 800-829-1040.

Choosing your college

These questions serve as a guide to help you choose the college that meets your academic, financial, and personal goals. They will also help you prepare the questions you want to ask when visiting colleges and attending college fairs (see page 10 for a schedule of fairs in Delaware). For additional help finding the right college for you, use the websites on pages 12 and 13.

Questions to ask the college

Admissions

What are the academic requirements for admission?

What percentage and number of applicants are admitted to the program?

Degree

How many credits are required for graduation?

What is the average time to complete the degree?

What percentage of freshmen graduate?

What percentage of graduates pass the licensure examination, if one is required?

What percentage of graduates are engaged in further full-time study?

How satisfied are employers with graduates?

Financial Aid

Is the college eligible to participate in federal student aid programs, i.e., grants, loans, and work-study?

What types of institutional financial aid are available:

- Merit scholarships?
- Scholarships for athletes? artists? the sciences?
- Need-based grants?

What is the loan default rate?

What percentage of students receive financial aid?

the college

Classes

What is the average class size?

Are introductory courses taught by faculty or graduate students?

Facilities and Services

What computer network resources are available?

Are there adequate facilities, such as labs and libraries?

What athletic facilities are available for sports and fitness?

Are there art and cultural centers on campus or nearby?

What support services are available for:

- freshman counseling
- academic counseling
- faculty advisement
- study skills assistance
- campus security
- career counseling
- job placement
- student health
- students with disabilities
- racial and cultural diversity

Questions to ask yourself

Why do I want to go to college?

What are my career goals?

What do I hope to achieve in college?

What kind of school do I want to attend?

Where do I want to go to college?

What do I enjoy doing in my free time?

Who are my friends?

What is most important to me?

What are my personal goals?

How do I learn best?

What do I excel at?

What do you expect students to know and understand when they graduate?

Is the program accredited by a professional group?

Is it possible to talk to current students or recent graduates?

Is there a research center or special facility affiliated with this program?

Does the program offer international study or internship opportunities?

P R O G R A M

Comparing colleges

LOCATION

- distance from home
- proximity to educational & cultural resources

ENVIRONMENT

- size of school
- rural, small town, suburban, or urban setting
- diversity of student body

TYPE OF SCHOOL

- public or private
- community college
- proprietary school
- religious affiliation
- Historically Black College or University (HBCU)
- Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI)
- coed, all male, or all female

ADMISSIONS

- tests required
- average test scores, GPA, rank in class
- early decision, early action, or single choice-early action

QUALITY

- retention rates
- graduation rates

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

- majors offered
- accreditation
- student-faculty ratio
- typical class size

EXPENSES

- application fee & deposit
- tuition & required fees
- computer & lab fees
- room & board
- books & supplies
- living expenses
- transportation

FINANCIAL AID

- availability of tuition payment plans
- percentage of students receiving aid
- availability of need-based aid
- availability of merit-based aid

HOUSING

- on-campus housing options
- on-campus housing requirements
- percentage of students living on campus
- off-campus housing options

CAMPUS LIFE

- extracurricular activities & facilities
- athletic programs & facilities
- clubs & organizations

Volunteer Opportunities

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

Mahatma Gandhi

As a volunteer, you will gain valuable life experiences and new skills, meet a variety of interesting people, and learn important things about yourself that can help you make college and career decisions.

▼ Delaware Volunteer Credit

In Delaware, high school students in grades 9–12 can earn one elective credit toward graduation upon completing 90 hours of community service over any 2 semesters. The summer period counts as a semester and the semesters do not have to be consecutive. Upon completion of the 90 hours, students receive a certificate signed by the Governor and the Secretary of the Delaware Department of Education. The credit is awarded by the participating school and is prominently displayed on the student's transcript. An explanation of the credit, prepared by the Delaware Department of Education, accompanies any request for the student's transcript.

The credit and certificate are awarded annually in May and the deadline for submission of verification forms by the school to the State Office of Volunteerism is **April 15**.

To search for volunteer opportunities or to find more information about the Delaware Volunteer Credit, visit www.volunteerdelaware.org or call 800-815-5465.



▼ Federal Incentives for Volunteers

AmeriCorps is a network of local, state, and national service programs that engages 70,000 Americans each year in intensive service to meet our country's critical needs in education, health, the environment, public safety, and other areas. AmeriCorps is made up of three programs:

- AmeriCorps State and National,
- AmeriCorps VISTA, and
- AmeriCorps National Civilian Community Corps (NCCC).

AmeriCorps volunteers receive education awards for specified terms of service that can be used to pay educational expenses at qualified institutions of higher education, for educational training, or to repay qualified student loans.

To learn more, call 800-942-2677 toll-free, send an email to questions@americorps.gov, or visit www.americorps.gov.

Senior Year Calendar

SEPTEMBER

- Meet with your **school counselor** to discuss your career goals and college plans.
- To access **Career Cruising**, log in to your Delaware Student Success Plan (SSP) at <https://www.careercruising.com/ssp>. Contact your advisor or school counselor if you do not have your user name and password. You will find tools to assess your skills and interests, write your resume, explore careers, learn about financial aid, and search for scholarships. In English and Spanish.
- Start a personal **calendar/planner** to keep track of application deadlines for admissions, financial aid, and scholarships.
- Continue to **focus on your classes**. Colleges will want to see a transcript that includes the fall semester of your senior year.
- Review for the **SAT** and/or **ACT**. If you have not already registered, see your school counselor as soon as possible. Registration deadlines and test dates can be found at www.collegeboard.com and www.act.org.
- Review the **private scholarships** on pages 19 to 53, which are also listed by month of deadline on pages 14 to 18.
- Become a **volunteer**. You may be able to earn one elective credit toward graduation through the Delaware Volunteer Credit Program (see page 9).

OCTOBER

- Turn to pages 12 and 13 for a list of **websites** that will help you select a college, calculate costs, learn about financial aid, and search for scholarships.
- Visit the National Association for College Admission Counseling website at www.nacacnet.org to find tips that will help you prepare for attending **college fairs**. NACAC also offers free National College Fairs and Performing and Visual Arts College Fairs in major cities. For information about the following events scheduled in Delaware, see your school counselor.
 - October 20, 2011**, Central Delaware College Night, Polytech High School, Woodside, 7 to 9 p.m.
 - October 25, 2011**, New Castle County College Night, Bob Carpenter Sports Center, University of Delaware, 6:30 to 9 p.m.
 - October 27, 2011**, Southern Delaware College Night, Sussex Technical High School, Georgetown, 7 to 9 p.m.
 - March 15, 2012**, Delaware College Night '12, Delaware State University, Dover, 7 to 9 p.m.
- Begin requesting **college application materials**. Ask for **financial aid information** at the same time.
- Keep track of all **deadlines**.

- Ask teachers, school counselors, employers, community service directors, coaches, and others for **letters of recommendation** to include with your admissions and scholarship applications. See www.finaid.org/scholarships/recommendations.phtml for advice.
- Work on your **admissions applications**, including **essays**. The College Board's website at www.collegeboard.com provides tips and sample essays to help you get started.
- Begin **visiting colleges**. Have your questions prepared (see page 8) and talk to as many professors and students as possible. To make the most of your visit, go to the "Visiting Campus" section at www.EducationPlanner.org.
- Start **comparing colleges**. Turn to page 9 for points to compare.

NOVEMBER

- Follow up** on your letters of recommendation. Send thank you notes when your letters have been mailed.
- Continue to work on your admissions applications. Colleges using **early decision, early action, or single-choice early action** admissions may require test scores and applications as early as **November 1**. To learn more about early application options, visit www.collegeboard.com. Contact the college admissions office for specific information.

DECEMBER

- If your degree program is not offered at a public college in Delaware, you may be eligible for in-state tuition at a public college in a southern state that participates in the **Academic Common Market** (see page 57).
- Carefully complete and **submit all college applications by the deadline**. You may be able to use the **Common Application** (www.commonapp.org) if your colleges are members.
- Keep **copies** of all completed forms and worksheets.
- The Delaware Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators will hold **free financial aid nights** at several schools in each county in **December** and **January**. The schedule will be posted in late fall on the Higher Education Office's website at www.doe.k12.de.us/dheo.
- If you are planning to enroll full-time at Delaware State University, you may be eligible for the **Inspire Scholarship** (see page 37).
- If you are planning to enroll full-time in an associate degree program at Delaware Technical & Community College or the University of Delaware's Associate in Arts program, you may be eligible for the **Delaware SEED Scholarship Program** (see page 30). Deadlines are set by each institution. The first deadline (for admission to the University of Delaware) is **January 15**.
- If you are planning to attend the University of Delaware or Delaware State University, turn to page 54 to see if you are eligible to apply for the state's **undergraduate academic memorial scholarships**, which provide full tuition, fees, room, board, and books. First deadline is **February 2, 2012**.

- If you are planning to attend any nonprofit, regionally accredited institution in the U.S., turn to page 54 to see if you are eligible to apply for the **Diamond State Scholarship** (\$1,250/year). Deadline is **March 22, 2012**.
- If you are planning to enroll in a **teaching or nursing program**, turn to page 56 to see if you are eligible to apply for the Christa McAuliffe Teacher Incentive Program, Delaware Teacher Corps, or Delaware Nursing Incentive Program. Deadline for these programs is **March 22, 2012**.
- To prepare to apply for **federal aid** using the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**FAFSA**), you should get a **PIN** (Personal Identification Number) at www.pin.ed.gov so that you can complete your application, make corrections, and access your information online. One of your parents must also get a PIN.

JANUARY

- Complete your **FAFSA** as soon as possible **after January 1 every year**. If you want to apply before you and your parents file your federal tax returns, you may estimate your tax information and make any necessary corrections later. **Applying online** at www.fafsa.ed.gov makes the application process faster and easier.
- Check www.collegegoalsundayusa.org to see if a **College Goal Sunday** will be held in your area. Attendees receive **free help completing the FAFSA**.
- Your parents can find out if they are eligible for the **American Opportunity Credit, Lifetime Learning Credit**, or other **federal tax credits** on the IRS's website at www.irs.gov or by calling 800-829-1040.
- Ask your high school to send a copy of your **transcript**—including the first semester of your senior year—to the colleges where you have applied.
- Talk to your school counselor about taking Advanced Placement (**AP**) exams in **May** or the College-Level Examination Program (**CLEP**) exam. Information about both tests can be found on the College Board's website at www.collegeboard.com.
- Continue to work hard in your classes. Colleges will want to see your **final grades**.

FEBRUARY

- After your FAFSA is processed, you will receive your Student Aid Report (**SAR**) by email within three to five days if you provided an email address. It will take seven to ten days to receive a paper SAR if you do not provide an email address when you apply.
- Review your SAR carefully to make sure it's correct and complete. If your SAR does not show your estimated family contribution (**EFC**), you must make the necessary corrections. **Your EFC is needed to determine your eligibility for need-based financial aid.**
- You should begin to receive **acknowledgments** from colleges to which you applied. Check with those that have not contacted you.

MARCH/APRIL

- You will be considered for the state's need-based grant, the **Scholarship Incentive Program (SciP)**, if your **FAFSA** is received by the federal processor by **April 15 each year** (see page 55).
- You should begin to receive **college acceptances** after March 1.
- You should begin to receive **financial aid packages** after April 1. Carefully review and compare each package and contact the financial aid offices that have not sent you one. For help evaluating your packages, read "Guide to Financial Aid Award Letters" at www.finaid.org/fafsa/awardletters.phtml.
- If your family's financial circumstances have changed significantly since the previous tax year, contact the college financial aid office to discuss your **special circumstances**. Only the financial aid administrator at your school can recalculate your EFC.
- Notify the college you choose of **your acceptance**. Advise the other schools that you will not be attending.

MAY/JUNE

- If you are placed on a **waiting list** for your preferred college, stay in touch with the admissions office.
- Be sure you understand when **payments** are due and how your financial aid will be disbursed. Ask about installment plans or deferments, if needed.
- Ask your high school to **submit your final grades**, class rank, and proof of graduation to the college you have selected.
- See your school counselor** if you did not receive any college acceptances. You might want to consider colleges with nontraditional admission options or open admission policies.
- If you are planning to work and take classes part-time next year, turn to page 55 to learn about the **Governor's Education Grant for Working Adults**.

Don't forget to...

- **ASK QUESTIONS.** High school counselors, college admissions offices, college financial aid offices, librarians, professionals in your field of interest, and state and federal government agencies can help.
- Read and **FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS** for all applications.
- Meet all **DEADLINES** for test registrations and applications for college admissions and financial aid.
- Keep **COPIES** of all completed forms and worksheets.
- Make sure that your **SAR** contains your **EFC**.
- **REAPPLY** for financial aid every year.
- Borrow conservatively. Explore all other financial aid options first and **BORROW ONLY WHAT YOU NEED**.

Websites

The websites below will help you explore career options, plan for college, understand financial aid, calculate costs, and search for scholarships. Please note that some websites that offer free services may include other services for which there is a fee. Because so many **free resources** are available, we recommend that students and their parents be very careful about paying any fees for scholarship matching services or financial aid consultants. For sound advice about using fee-based services, visit the following websites:

- “Scholarship Scams” at www.finaid.org/scholarships/scams.phtml
- “Educational Consultants and Counseling Centers” at www.nacacnet.org in the “For Students” section

Planning For College

Career Cruising

www.careercruising.com/ssp

To access Career Cruising, log in to your **Delaware Student Success Plan (SSP)** at <https://www.careercruising.com/ssp>. Contact your advisor or school counselor if you do not have your user name and password. You will find tools to assess your skills and interests, write your resume, explore careers, learn about financial aid, and search for scholarships. In English and Spanish.

college.gov

www.college.gov

Website is being built by the U.S. Department of Education in collaboration with students. Intended to be the go-to source for information and resources about planning, preparing, and paying for postsecondary education. Students are invited to submit questions, suggestions, and feedback.

EducationPlanner

www.educationplanner.org

One-stop career and college planning site. Provides information and interactive tools to help you research careers, choose a college, and find ways to finance your education. A public service of the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency (PHEAA).

FAFSA4caster

www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov

The U.S. Department of Education helps you get an early start on the financial aid process by providing you with an early estimate of your eligibility for federal student aid. You can transfer your data to FAFSA on the Web when you're ready to apply. In English and Spanish.

KnowHow2GO

www.knowhow2go.org

Campaign that targets low-income and first-generation students and their parents and mentors to encourage them to start the college preparation process early. In English and Spanish.

Mapping Your Future

<http://mappingyourfuture.org>

Helps you develop a career plan, select a school, apply for admission, explore financial aid options, and manage your money. Provides information for middle school, high school, and undergraduate students. In English or Spanish.

U.S. Government Student Gateway

www.students.gov

Designed for college students and their families. Provides easy access to information and resources from the U.S. government, including financial aid and scholarships; internships, campus life; careers; military service, and volunteer opportunities.

Yes YOU Can!

www.yesyoucande.com/index.php/home

Created by the Delaware Department of Education to help middle and high school students in Delaware understand all the opportunities they have to succeed in life after high school. Includes sections on your future job, mapping your future, college guide, financial assistance, and a parents page.

Careers

CareerOneStop

www.careeronestop.org

Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration. Helps individuals explore career opportunities to make informed employment and education choices. Sections include: Explore Careers; Education & Training; Resumes & Interviews; Salary & Benefits; Job Search; and People & Places to Help.

Delaware Career Compass

www.delawareworks.com/oolmi/Home.aspx, “Publications”

Comprehensive step-by-step career and education guide published annually by the Delaware Department of Labor

Delaware Job Link

<https://joblink.delaware.gov/ada/default.cfm>

Delaware Department of Labor website that provides information about the state job market. A Delaware JobLink Job Seeker account lets you conduct a job search, build an online resume, receive email notification of new jobs, search for training opportunities, and more.

Tests

ACT

<http://actstudent.org>

Information about registering and preparing for the ACT test. Also provides information about planning for college, financial aid, and career planning.

College Board

www.collegeboard.org

Information about registering and preparing for the PSAT/NMSQT, SAT, AP, and CLEP tests. Has information for parents and students, including planning for college, finding a college, applying to college, and paying for college. Scholarship search database has more than 2,300 sources of college funding. In English and Spanish.

Number2.com

www.number2.com

Free online test preparation courses for the SAT, ACT, and GRE tests. Includes user-friendly tutorials, practice sessions that dynamically adapt to each student's ability level, a vocabulary builder, and more.

Selecting a College

- **Campus Explorer**
www.campusexplorer.com
- **CampusTours**
www.campustours.com
- **Collegelnsight**
http://college-insight.org
- **College Navigator**
http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator
- **CollegeView**
www.collegeview.com
- **College Week Live**
www.collegeweeklive.com
- **Council for Higher Education Accreditation**
www.chea.org
- **Historically Black Colleges & Universities**
www.ed.gov/about/inits/list/whhbcu/edlite-index.html
- **Hispanic-Serving Institutions**
www.hacu.net
- **Peterson's**
www.petersons.com
- **Princeton Review**
www.princetonreview.com
- **U.S. News & World Report**
www.usnews.com/sections/rankings/index.html

Admissions

National Association for College Admission Counseling

www.nacacnet.org
Online newsletter, *Steps to College*, is for and about students in the school-to-college transition. Updated with new stories throughout the year. Includes information for parents, as well.

State & Federal Financial Aid

- **Delaware Higher Education Office**
www.doe.k12.de.us/dheo
- **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**
www.fafsa.ed.gov
- **US Department of Education Student Aid on the Web**
www.studentaid.ed.gov

Financial Aid Advice

- **FinAid**
www.finaid.com
- **National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA)**
www.nasfaa.org/Home.asp

Special Interest

Heath Resource Center

www.heath.gwu.edu
Online clearinghouse on postsecondary education for individuals with disabilities. Serves as an information exchange on educational resources, support services, and opportunities.

MinorityRecruit

www.minorityrecruitonline.com
Helps students find colleges and workplaces that understand the meaning of diversity. Includes in-depth articles on diversity issues and a list of minority scholarships.

National Collegiate Athletic Association

www.ncaastudent.org
Guide for the College-Bound Student-Athlete discusses academic eligibility requirements, amateur eligibility, financial aid, and recruiting rules. Includes worksheets and forms.

SREB Electronic Campus

www.electroniccampus.org
Provides e-learning opportunities from accredited colleges and universities offering courses and degrees in 16 southern states.

SREB Teacher Center

www.theteachercenter.org
Information for students planning to teach as well as for new and experienced educators.

ThinkCollege

www.thinkcollege.net
Information and resources for young people with intellectual and other developmental disabilities about going to college or training beyond high school. Provides tools for students and families.

Today's Military

www.todaysmilitary.com
Information about U.S. military colleges, service, careers, and educational benefits. In English and Spanish.

Searching for Scholarships

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www.brokescholar.com
- **Career Cruising**
www.careercruising.com/ssp
- **CareerOneStop Scholarship Search**
www.careeronestop.org/EducationTraining/Pay/Scholarships.aspx
- **College Board**
www.collegeboard.org
- **CollegeNet**
www.collegenet.com
- **FastWeb**
www.fastweb.com
- **Latino College Dollars**
www.latinocollegedollars.org
- **Scholarships.com**
www.scholarships.com

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FinAid: The SmartStudent Guide to Financial Aid website includes a helpful section on **How to Win a Merit Scholarship** that provides advice on “searching for scholarships, getting organized, advance preparation, writing winning essays, getting good letters of recommendation, and acing the scholarship interview” (www.finaid.com/scholarships/winning.phtml).

Scholarship Scams

Need money for college? Check with your school counselor or librarian for free information about current scholarships before you pay someone for the same—or similar—information. If there's a fee involved, be sure you know what you're paying for. The Federal Trade Commission cautions students to look for the following six telltale lines:

- 1. The scholarship is guaranteed or your money back.** No one can guarantee that they'll get you a grant or scholarship. Refund guarantees often have conditions or strings attached. Get refund policies in writing before you pay.
- 2. You can't get this information anywhere else.** There are many free lists of scholarships. To find them, you can search online, talk with your school counselor, and check with the library.
- 3. I just need your credit card or bank account number to hold this scholarship.** Don't give out your credit card or bank account number on the phone without getting information in writing first. It may be a set-up for an unauthorized withdrawal.
- 4. We'll do all the work.** Don't be fooled. There's no way around it. You must do the work to apply for scholarships or grants.
- 5. The scholarship will cost some money.** Don't pay anyone who claims to be “holding” a scholarship or grant for you. Free money shouldn't cost a thing.
- 6. “You've been selected” by a national foundation to receive a scholarship,” or “you're a finalist” in a contest you never entered.** Before you send money to apply for a scholarship, check it out. Make sure the foundation or program is legitimate.

Source: www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams

AAUW, Western Sussex Branch

Formerly known as the American Association of University Women

Deadline: First Monday in April

Eligibility: Open to women attending high school in their senior year; who are residents of Laurel, Seaford, Woodbridge, or Delmar School Districts; who will be enrolled full-time in a four-year college in the United States; and who will be working toward a B.A. or B.S. degree. A minimum 3.0 GPA is required.

Award: Amount varies, one or two scholarships

Contact: High school guidance office

AAUW, Wilmington Branch

Formerly known as the American Association of University Women

Deadline: Mid-February

Eligibility: Female; U.S. citizen; Delaware resident; and either a high school graduate or a high school senior attending a New Castle County public or private school. Must be pursuing a bachelor's or a graduate degree at an accredited college or university.

Award: Varies, up to \$5,000 for tuition only

Contact: Application available online at www.aauwwilmington.org or contact:

AAUW Office
1800 Fairfax Blvd.
Wilmington, DE 19803
302-428-0939
aauwwilm@gmail.com

Abbott Scottish Rite Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Applicants must be children or grandchildren of Scottish Rite Masons of the Valley of Wilmington or members of youth organizations sponsored by the Masonic Fraternity.

Award: \$1,000/year; must reapply annually

Contact: Herbert J. Atkinson, Secretary
Scottish Rite Bodies of Delaware
818 Market St., 3rd Floor
Wilmington, DE 19801-3077

Thurman G. Adams and Hilda McCabe Adams Family Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: High school graduate or college student who resides within Senator Adams' Senatorial District, comprising roughly the towns of Bridgeville, Ellendale, Georgetown, Greenwood, Lincoln, Milford, Milton and Seaford, and is planning to pursue a career in an agricultural-related field.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or: Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

AFA Teens for Alzheimer's Awareness College Scholarship

Deadline: Postmarked by February 15

Eligibility: Must write a brief autobiography and a 1,200 to 1,500 word essay that answers the questions, "How has Alzheimer's disease changed or impacted your life?" and "What have you learned about yourself, your family and/or your community in the face of coping with Alzheimer's disease?" Applicants must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- United States citizenship or permanent residence
- Plan to enter an accredited four-year college or university within 12 months of the scholarship deadline
- Be currently enrolled in a public, independent, parochial, military, home-school, or other high school in the United States (if not currently enrolled, must explain extenuating circumstances)

Award: \$5,000 grand prize winner
\$500 first runner-up
\$250 second runner-up

Contact: Instructions and application form available online at www.afateens.org.

Horatio Alger Delaware Scholarship

Deadline: October 30, 2011

Eligibility: Applicants must:

- be enrolled full-time as a high school senior and planning to enter college no later than the fall following graduation;
- have a strong commitment to pursue a bachelor's degree at an accredited institution (students may start their studies at a two-year institution and then transfer to a four-year institution);
- have critical financial need (\$50,000 or less adjusted gross income per family preferred);
- be involved in co-curricular and community activities;
- demonstrate academic achievement (have a minimum GPA of 2.0); and
- be a Delaware resident and a citizen of the U.S.

Award: \$5,000

Contact: Horatio Alger Association
99 Canal Center Plaza, Ste. 320
Alexandria, VA 22314
703-684-9444
703-684-9445 (fax)
programs@horatioalger.org
www.horatioalger.org/scholarships

Alpha Delta Kappa International Sorority for Women Educators Scholarship

Deadline: February 28, 2012

Eligibility: Graduating senior attending a Delaware high school who is planning a career in education. Must be a U.S. citizen and in the upper one-third of class.

Award: \$2,500

Contact: For information and an application, contact:
Ms. Sally Fraticelli
2643 Drayton Dr.
Heritage Park
Wilmington, DE 19808
sally.fraticelli@redclay.k12.de.us

Alpha Tau State Chapter, Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, May B. Leasure Grant-in-Aid

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Applicant must be pursuing an undergraduate postsecondary degree in education and must be a Delaware resident.

Award: \$500

Contact: Write to:
Susan F. Lore
33676 Woodland Circle
Lewes, DE 19958-5163
302-945-7174
deucedawg@aol.com

American Chemical Society Scholars Program

Deadline: Application cycle will begin in November 2011.

Eligibility: To be considered for a scholarship through the ACS Scholars Program, candidates must:

- Be African-American, Hispanic/Latino, or American Indian
- Be a U.S. citizen or permanent U.S. resident
- Be a full-time student at a high school or accredited college, university, or community college
- Demonstrate high academic achievement in chemistry or science (GPA 3.0, "B" or better)
- Demonstrate financial need according to the Free Application for Federal Student Aid form (FAFSA) and the Student Aid Report (SAR) form
- Be a graduating high school senior or college freshman, sophomore or junior intending to or already majoring in chemistry, biochemistry, chemical engineering or a chemically-related science OR intending to or already pursuing a degree in chemical technology
- Be planning a career in the chemical sciences.

Award: The amount of each individual award depends upon the availability of funding, the number of scholarships awarded, and evidence of financial need. Scholarships are renewable.
\$2,500 for freshmen
\$3,000 for sophomores
\$5,000 for juniors and seniors

Contact: scholars@acs.org
www.acs.org/scholars

American Council of Engineering Companies—Delaware Section

Deadline: December 16

Eligibility: Available to high school seniors or students from the state of Delaware who have had a primary residence for one continuous full year prior to the application deadline. Must be accepted into or have applied to enroll in the engineering program of a four-year, ABET accredited college. Must be a U.S. citizen at the time of application. Must demonstrate academic excellence and involvement in extracurricular activities in either the community, in school, or both. May demonstrate financial need.

Award: \$500

Contact: Mike Karia, Executive Director
 ACEC—Delaware
 PO Box 1858
 Dover, DE 19901-1858
 302-730-8384
 302-734-8058 (fax)
 acecde@dca.net
 www.acecde.org

American Hotel & Lodging Association Educational Foundation Academic Scholarships

Deadline: Applications accepted from January 1 through May 1.
Eligibility: Offers both school-nominated and self-nominated scholarships. Ten scholarship programs with varied eligibility criteria. All scholarships require enrollment in a U.S. undergraduate hospitality-related degree granting program, such as hotel/restaurant management, culinary arts, travel/tourism, or hotel administration. Evaluated on academics, related work experience, extracurricular activities, financial need, honors, and personal attributes. Graduate awards are also available.
Award: \$500 to \$5,000
Contact: www.ahlef.org

American Legion Auxiliary National President's Scholarship

Deadline: February 28
Eligibility: Senior who is the son or daughter of a veteran and a Delaware resident. Must have 50 hours or more of community service. Include name of your high school when requesting an application. Application must be requested in writing.
Award: \$1,500 to \$2,000
Contact: Tina Washington, Executive Secretary
 American Legion Auxiliary
 25109 Prettyman Rd.
 Georgetown, DE 19947
 302-329-9090
 executivesecretary@comcast.net

American Legion Auxiliary Nursing Scholarship

Deadline: February 28
Eligibility: Delaware senior who is the son, daughter, or grandchild of a veteran with financial need and who is planning to be a nurse.
Award: Varies
Contact: Tina Washington, Executive Secretary
 American Legion Auxiliary
 25109 Prettyman Rd.
 Georgetown, DE 19947
 302-329-9090
 executivesecretary@comcast.net

American Legion Boys State and Girls State/Samsung Scholarship

Deadline: By registration date for Boys State and Girls State
Eligibility: Students attending Boys State and Girls State will receive scholarship application with their registration packet.
Award: \$1,000 each for one boy and one girl, state level
 \$20,000 national level

Contact: Local American Legion Post or:
 Richard J. Santos, Department Adjutant
 Department of Delaware, The American Legion, Inc.
 PO Box 930
 Seaford, DE 19973-0930
 302-628-5221
 delaware_adjutant@verizon.net
 www.delegion.org

American Legion High School Oratorical Scholarship Program—A Constitutional Speech Program

Deadline: December
Eligibility: Must be U.S. citizen or permanent resident, under the age of 20 on the date of the National Contest, enrolled in grades 9 through 12 (public, parochial, military, private, or state-accredited homeschool).
Award: \$1,500 to \$18,000
Contact: Local American Legion Post or:
 Richard J. Santos, Department Adjutant
 Department of Delaware, The American Legion, Inc.
 PO Box 930
 Seaford, DE 19973-0930
 302-628-5221
 delaware_adjutant@verizon.net
 www.delegion.org

American Museum of Natural History Young Naturalist Awards

Deadline: March 5, 2012
Eligibility: A research-based essay contest for students in grades 7-12 to promote participation and communication in science through the recognition of outstanding, expedition-based student writing and visuals.

Award:	12th grade (2 awards)	\$2,500
	11th grade (2 awards)	\$2,000
	10th grade (2 awards)	\$1,500
	9th grade (2 awards)	\$1,000
	8th grade (2 awards)	\$750
	7th grade (2 awards)	\$500
	Up to 36 finalists	\$50

Winning entries are published on the Museum's website. Each winner, along with a parent or guardian, is invited on an expense-paid trip to New York City to attend an award ceremony and take a behind-the-scenes tour of the Museum. All participants receive a certificate as well as a letter from the judges highlighting the positive aspects of their essays and comments on how the research might be improved.
Contact: Young Naturalist Awards Administrator
 National Center for Science Literacy, Education & Technology
 American Museum of Natural History
 Central Park West at 79th St.
 New York, NY 01124-5192
 212-496-3498
 yna@amnh.org
 www.amnh.org/yna

**American Road & Transportation Builders Association–
Transportation Development Foundation (ARTBA–TDF)
Highway Worker Memorial Scholarship**

Deadline: April 1, 2012

Eligibility: Sons, daughters, or legally adopted children of highway workers who died or have become permanently disabled in roadway construction zone accidents. Applicant's parent must have been employed by a transportation construction firm or a transportation public agency at the time of his or her death. Must have at least a 2.5 GPA. May be used for public or private two- or four-year college study or a vocational-technical college.

Award: Up to \$5,000

Contact: Holly Bolton
American Road & Transportation Builders Association
Transportation Development Foundation
1219 28th St., NW
Washington, DC 20007
202-289-4434
202-289-4435 (fax)
www.artba.org

**American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air
Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE) High School
Senior/Engineering Technology Scholarship**

Deadline: May 1

Eligibility: Available to college freshmen enrolled full-time in an undergraduate pre-engineering or engineering technology program leading to a bachelor's degree in a course of study that traditionally has been a preparatory curriculum for the HVAC&R profession. Applicants must be high school seniors with a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on a scale of 4.0 and/or a class standing of no less than the top 30%. Must be accepted into an engineering, pre-engineering, or engineering technology program at a postsecondary educational institution that hosts a recognized ASHRAE student branch and/or is ABET-accredited. Scholarships are also available for undergraduate engineering and engineering technology students.

Contact: www.ashrae.org

ARRL Foundation, Inc. Scholarship Program

Deadline: Application period opens October 1 and closes on February 1.

Eligibility: Each year the ARRL Foundation awards more than 60 scholarships to young FCC-licensed radio amateurs who exhibit strong academic performance as well as dedicated community service and active Amateur Radio involvement. Program includes various awards funded through private individuals and Amateur Radio organizations to encourage radio amateurs to pursue their educational goals. Eligibility requirements vary. A full and recent transcript is required of all applicants.

Award: \$500 to \$5,000

Contact: Application instructions and forms are only available online at www.arrl.org. Applications are only accepted electronically.

**Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund
(APIASF)**

Deadline: January 14

Eligibility: Applicants must:

- Be of Asian and/or Pacific Islander ethnicity as defined by the U.S. Census.
- Be a citizen, national, or legal permanent resident of the United States. Citizens of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of Palau are also eligible to apply.
- Be enrolling in a U.S. accredited college or university as a full-time, degree-seeking, first-year student in the upcoming academic year.
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.7 on a 4.0 scale (unweighted) or have earned a GED.
- Must apply for federal financial aid using the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by February 1.
- Submit one letter of recommendation.

Award: Over 200 scholarships ranging from \$2,500 to \$5,000 for first-time, degree-seeking freshman

Contact: www.apiasf.org

**Associated General Contractors of America (AGC) Education
and Research Foundation**

Deadline: November 1

Eligibility: Currently enrolled college students in a full-time, four- or five-year ABET or ACCE accredited construction or civil engineering program are eligible to apply. **High school seniors are not eligible.**

Award: \$2,500/year, renewable up to a maximum of \$7,500. Over 100 scholarships awarded annually.

Contact: Application available online at www.agcfoundation.org.

Automotive Hall of Fame Scholarship Program

Deadline: June 1

Eligibility: To be eligible for a scholarship, you must:

- Submit a completed application form indicating a sincere interest in an automotive career.
- Provide an official transcript of all academic work.
- Submit two letters of recommendation supporting your automotive interests.
- Submit a letter of acceptance for an associate, bachelor, or masters program.
- Be accepted at an accredited college, university or trade school within the United States at the time of application (trade school should equal a two-year associate program).
- Must be a U.S. citizen or in the U.S. on a Student Visa.
- Must be enrolled full-time.
- Must have 3.0 GPA or higher.
- Financial need is considered.

Award: Over \$20,000 in combined scholarships annually

Contact: Application available at www.automotivehalloffame.org.

AXA Achievement Scholarship

Deadline: The 2012 program begins in fall 2011.

Eligibility: AXA Achievers are ethnically and economically diverse, but share these qualities: ambition and drive; determination to set and reach goals; respect for self, family and community; and ability to succeed in college. Sponsored in association with U.S. News & World Report.

Award: • 52 one-time awards of \$10,000 (one from each state, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico)
• 10 national, one-time awards of additional \$15,000 and the offer of an internship with AXA.

Contact: www.axa-equitable.com/axa-foundation/about.html

David S. Barr Award

Deadline: Close of business Friday, January 27, 2012

Eligibility: Open to all high school students (including those enrolled in vocational, technical, or special education programs) and all part- or full-time college students (including those in community colleges and graduate programs). All entries must be of work published or broadcast that helped to right a wrong, correct an injustice, or promote justice and fairness. No more than one entry per contestant is permitted. Should include a brief summary of the submitted work. Must submit one original copy as published or broadcast with four photocopies and name of publication. A signed official application form must be attached to each copy of the entry.

Award: High school: \$500
College: \$1,500

Contact: Application can be downloaded at www.newsguild.org (look under "Information" / "Guild Information" / "Awards").
The Newspaper Guild-CWA
David S. Barr Award Committee
501 3rd St., NW, 6th Floor
Washington, DC 20001-2797
202-434-0675

Philip L. Bartlett Scholarship Fund

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Must be a student attending the University of Delaware and in financial need.

Award: Amount to be awarded annually is at the discretion of the Board of Directors of the Foundation.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Better Business Bureau Education Foundation Student Ethics Scholarship

Deadline: January 10, 2012 (5:00 p.m. EST)

- All applicants must be nominated by an employee representing a BBB Accredited Business (does not have to be company principal or owner). An updated list is available at www.delaware.bbb.org.
- Scholarship is open to college-bound high school seniors who have at least a 3.0 GPA and will enroll at an accredited two- or four-year college or university in fall 2012.
- Entries must include the completed entry form and three letters of recommendation, e.g. teacher, clergy, school official, employer, community leader.
- You must submit an essay of 500 words or less on the topic, "What does business ethics mean to you and how have you seen it demonstrated." Your name must NOT be on any pages of the essay to ensure "blind" judging.
- A copy of your most recent high school transcript is required.
- This scholarship is awarded on applicant's leadership, contributions to their communities and schools, personal integrity, academic accomplishments, and written essay.
- An interview may be part of the selection process.
- Family of BBB staff and Board Members are not eligible to apply.

Award: \$2500 (one award)

Contact: Applications will be available online by September 30, 2011. For more information, contact:
Christine Sauers, President
Better Business Bureau of Delaware
60 Reads Way
New Castle, DE 19720
302-230-0112 ext.19
302-230-0116 (fax)
csauers@delaware.bbb.org
www.delaware.bbb.org/scholarship

Blackbird Community Center Scholarship Program

Deadline: April 20, 2012

- Eligibility:
- Be a senior in good standing attending a school system serving the communities of Blackbird, Middletown, Odessa, Smyrna, or Townsend.
 - Reside within a 10-mile radius of the Blackbird Community Center.
 - Be accepted to an accredited two- or four-year college or to another program of study/professional training.
- Note:** Preference will be given to applicants that have supported the Community Center, i.e., fundraisers, meetings, dinners, etc.

Award: Will vary at the discretion of the Selection Committee.

Contact: Mrs. Cathy Escherich, Secretary
Blackbird Community Center
947 Grears Corner Rd.
Townsend, DE 19734
302-378-9241

Stephen J. Brady STOP Hunger Scholarships

Deadline: The 2012 Scholarship application will be open from October 5, 2011, through December 5, 2011. The 2012 scholarship winners will be informed in March 2012.

Recognizes and rewards students who have made a significant impact in the fight against hunger in the United States.

Eligibility requirements include:

- Must be enrolled in an accredited educational institution (kindergarten through graduate school) in the United States and be citizens or permanent residents of the United States.
- Must have demonstrated ongoing commitment to your community by performing unpaid volunteer services impacting hunger in the United States within the last 12 months. Services performed must help non-family members.
- Must obtain a Community Service Recommendation from a non-family member
- Scholarships awarded to winners must be used for tuition and related fees, books, supplies, and equipment required for courses at an accredited postsecondary education institution.

Award:

- Up to 5 national scholarship recipients will receive a \$5,000 scholarship, as well as a \$5,000 grant made in their name to the hunger-related charity of their choice in their local community. If recipient is not yet enrolled in an institution of higher education, a contribution of \$5,000 will be made to a qualified 529 Plan established by the family for that student in lieu of the scholarship.
- Up to 20 regional honorees will receive a \$1,000 grant made in their name to the hunger-related charity of their choice in their local community.

Contact: Must apply online at www.sodexofoundation.org. For additional information regarding the scholarship program contact ISTS by email at info@applyists.com or by phone at 615-320-3149. When emailing or calling, please indicate that you are inquiring about the Sodexo Foundation Stephen J. Brady STOP Hunger Scholarships.

David Brower Youth Awards

Eligibility: Recognizes six people ages 13 to 22 living in North America who have shown outstanding leadership on a project or campaign with positive environmental and social impact. You must have played a major leadership role in creating, organizing, and implementing your project or campaign. Samples of projects and campaigns eligible for the award could include, but are not limited to, conservation, preservation, and restoration.

Award: Recipients for 2011 received a \$3,000 cash prize and an all-expense paid trip to the San Francisco Bay Area to attend the Awards ceremony. Also participated in a week of speaking engagements, trainings, and environmental conferences leading up to the ceremony.

Contact: <http://broweryouthawards.org>

H. Fletcher Brown Scholarship

Deadline: March 30

Eligibility: Applicants must be residents of the State of Delaware who were born in Delaware. Scholarships are granted for courses of study that lead to a degree in the following fields: Engineering, Chemistry, Medicine, Dentistry, or Law.

Award: Minimum award is \$2,000. Renewable annually for a total of four years.

Contact: High school guidance office, or:
PNC Wealth Management
222 Delaware Ave., 18th Floor
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-429-1186

Ron Brown Scholar Program

Deadline: **November 1:** Application will be considered for the Ron Brown Scholar Program and forwarded to a select and limited number of additional scholarship providers.

January 9: Final postmarked deadline in order to be considered for only the Ron Brown Scholar Program.

Eligibility: Black high school seniors who have excelled academically, exhibited leadership ability, participated in community service activities, and demonstrate financial need. Applicant must pursue full-time study at a four-year college or university in the United States. Must be a U.S. citizen or a permanent resident.

Award: \$10,000/year, renewable to \$40,000 (10 to 20 awards annually)

Contact: Ron Brown Scholar Program
1160 Pepsi Place, Ste. 206
Charlottesville, VA 22901
434-964-1588
434-964-1589 (fax)
info@ronbrown.org
www.ronbrown.org

Buffalo Soldiers of Delaware Motorcycle Club Scholarship

Deadline: March 16, 2012

Eligibility: Graduating senior. Must provide proof of acceptance to a college, university, or tech school. Must send an official transcript at the end of the first semester to receive the check.

Award: Three scholarships of \$500; one per county (New Castle, Kent, and Sussex)

Contact: High school counselor or:
Ellene B. Walker
5053 Halltown Rd.
Hartly, DE 19953
302-492-8443
w4ellene@yahoo.com

John Burton Community Service Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Must be a graduating high school senior whose primary residence is within one of the following primary school districts: Delmar, Laurel, Seaford, or Woodbridge. Must be recommended by a guidance counselor or teacher based on citizenship qualities, work ethic, and service to the community. Must write an essay on why community service is important and the community service you have completed.

Award: One-time award; amount varies

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or: Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Dr. John L. Buzzi Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: March 31, 2012

Eligibility: Applicants (1) must be accepted at a properly accredited junior college, college, or university for the fall semester of 2012 within the states of Delaware, New Jersey, New York, or Pennsylvania and (2) must have an interest in issues related to water resources. Must be a **high school senior**, preferably **residing within the Delaware River Basin watershed**. Immediate family members of WRA's Board of Directors are not eligible. Scholarship will be awarded to a student qualified by academic performance, who exhibits an **interest in a water resource issue(s)** and is involved in the community. Measures of academic performance include a respectable cumulative grade average for grades 10 through 12 and a statement of career goals. Job history or volunteer information related to a water resources or environmental field will also be considered. Measures of community involvement include participation in activities that are of benefit to the community at-large.

Award: \$1,000 nonrenewable

Contact: Guidelines are available online. Completed applications can be emailed in PDF format.
Robert Molzahn, President
Water Resources Association of the Delaware River Basin
PO Box 1267
Exton, PA 19341
610-917-0090
610-917-0091 (fax)
wradrb@comcast.net
www.wradrb.org

Cape Henlopen Taxpayers for Fair Elections Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Students of the Cape Henlopen School District who have taken an interest in encouraging open and honest government, who successfully complete all requirements to graduate, and who are accepted at an accredited institution of higher learning. Special consideration will be given to those students who have performed to the best of their ability but are not ranked in the top 10% of their graduating class. Students must demonstrate a good work ethic and school citizenship. Students must complete an essay on a topic involving a question pertaining to open and honest government to be determined by the Advisory Committee and complete a personal interview before the Advisory Committee.

Award: To be determined by the Advisory Committee; may vary annually.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or: Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
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Carson Scholars Fund

Deadline: January

Eligibility: Public and private school students in grades 4-11 in Delaware, Maryland, and Washington, DC. Each school receives an application to nominate the "best and the brightest" student in their school who has at least a 3.75 GPA and strong community service. Must be a U.S. citizen.

Award: \$1,000 to be held in trust and paid to an accredited four-year institution. 500+ national awards made annually.

Contact: School counselor or principal, or Rebekah Lin, Scholarship Director
Carson Scholars Fund
305 W. Chesapeake Ave., Ste. 310
Towson, MD 21204
410-828-1005
410-828-1007
Rebekah@carsonscholars.org
www.carsonscholars.org

Central Delaware Soccer Association Freshman Scholarship

Deadline: April 20, 2012

Eligibility: High school seniors who have played for the CDSA during their high school careers and will enroll full-time at a postsecondary educational institution. Recipients are selected on the basis of their demonstrated character, scholastic achievement ("C" average or above), school and community activities, work experience, and CDSA involvement.

Award: One nonrenewable scholarship of \$500

Contact: Kathleen Hossler
Board Member/Grants and Scholarships
Central Delaware Soccer Association
PO Box 1334
Dover, DE 19903
302-697-8331
hosslersrus@atlanticbb.net
www.eteamz.com/theCDSA

Chrysler Technical Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Must be a Delaware resident and not older than 23 years of age at the time of applying. Must have at least a 2.75 GPA and provide evidence of a commitment to leadership in the community. Must provide two reference letters that describe the applicant's leadership skills at school, in the community, or with religious organizations. Must plan to obtain a degree or certificate from a community college, trade school, or university in a technical field related to the design, engineering, manufacturing, and repair of automotive products, including but not limited to, automotive repair, skilled trades, or engineering.

Award: 20 one-year scholarships of \$1,000 assistance for worthy students based on demonstrated academic ability, leadership traits, and financial need.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636, Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Citibank (Delaware) National Academy of Finance Scholarship

Deadline: TBD

Eligibility: Must be a graduate of the National Academy of Finance program at Howard High School or Dover High School.

Award: One-time scholarship of \$3,000 will be awarded to three (3) eligible students to supplement, not replace, other scholarships or funding. Funds may be used for payment of tuition or books.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or:
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Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636, Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Coca-Cola Scholars Program

Deadline: Initial phase of application is only available between August 1 and October 31.

Eligibility: Applicants must be:

- current high school (or home-schooled) seniors attending school in the United States (or select DoD schools);
- U.S. Citizens; U.S. Nationals; U.S. Permanent Residents; Temporary Residents (in a legalization program); Refugees; Asylees; Cuban-Haitian Entrants; or Humanitarian Parolees;
- anticipating completion of high school diploma at the time of application;
- planning to pursue a degree at an accredited U.S. postsecondary institution; and
- carrying a minimum 3.00 GPA at the end of their junior year of high school.

Award: National Scholars: 50 awards of \$20,000 for college
Regional Scholars: 200 awards of \$10,000 for college

Contact: www.coca-colascholars.org

Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship Program

Eligibility: Recognizes students who achieve their potential, are involved in their schools, and serve as catalysts for positive change and models for their fellow students. Students must be nominated by their principal or guidance counselor and:

- be a full-time high school senior in a community served by Comcast,
- demonstrate a strong commitment to community service and display leadership abilities in school activities or through work experience, and
- have a GPA of 2.8 or higher.

Award: One-time grant of \$1,000 to be used toward their pursuit of higher education.

Contact: **All nominations must be made exclusively by the principal or guidance counselor.** Principals and home-school instructors may e-mail comcast@applylists.com to verify school eligibility status and to request program materials.

Committee of 100 Academic Scholarship Program

Deadline: April 5, 2012

Eligibility: Must be a high school senior living in New Castle County. Must be accepted for admission to an accredited college or university having a business and/or economics program. Must have declared an intention of majoring in business, economics, or related fields. Must demonstrate academic excellence and well-rounded involvement in extracurricular and community activities. May demonstrate financial need. Electronic submissions preferred.

Award: \$3,000

Contact: Applications may be downloaded at www.thecommitteeof100.com. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or:
Paul H. Morrill, Jr. Executive Director
The Committee of 100
704 N. King St., Ste. 512
Wilmington, DE 19801-3535
302-654-6115
info@committeeof100.com

Edward W. Cooch, Jr. Environmental Scholarship

Deadline: March 1, 2012.

Eligibility:

- Must be a Delaware resident and a senior in a Delaware high school;
- Must be applying to a properly accredited junior college, college, or university for the fall semester 2012;
- Must major in an environmental field of study;
- Must demonstrate an interest in the environment (example: participate in cleanups, engage in school Eco-club projects, elect to take environmental classes);
- Must have a 3.0 GPA.

The recipient will have a strong interest in the natural environment and water resources and will have demonstrated this interest through engagement in the community in these areas. The recipient will clearly communicate academic and career goals as they relate to the natural environment and water resources.

Award: \$1,000 nonrenewable

Contact: Apply online www.christinarivercleanup.org.
Lynn Williams, President
Christina Conservancy
202 Brecks Ln.
Wilmington, DE 19807
302-654-0986
lwilliams@cbgsc.org

Richard S. Cordrey Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Must be a high school senior from Cape Henlopen, Indian River, or Sussex County VoTech School District who has some financial need and plans to attend a Delaware college or university. Preference will be given to students who will be attending Goldey-Beacom College or Delaware Technical & Community College (Owens Campus). Must submit completed application, high school transcript, SAT scores, list of extracurricular activities and honors, and a copy of family's latest federal tax form.

Award: One-year, one-time award of approximately \$1,000. Award is intended to supplement, not replace, other scholarships or funding. Funds may be used for payment of tuition or books.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or:
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rgentsch@delcf.org

Corporation Service Company (CSC) Student Opportunity Grant

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Must be a child of a current, full time employee of CSC.

Award: A one-year, \$1,000 renewable scholarship, up to four years, to be paid directly to the institution that the student will attend in semi-annual payments of \$500. Award is intended to supplement, not replace, other scholarships or funding. Funds may be used for payment of tuition or books.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
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PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Jack Curran Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: April 20, 2012, postmark deadline

Eligibility: High school senior who is a resident of New Castle County and has been accepted into a two- or four-year college. Application includes a 500-word essay, resume of school and community activities, and recommendation of counselor. Must have at least a 2.5 GPA. Details are in application packet. Sponsored by the New Castle County School Counselors Association.

Award: \$1,000

Contact: Applications can be obtained through your high school counselor or by sending an email to Holly Schaeffgen at hschaeffgen@charterschool.org. Requests to receive the application by mail must include a self-addressed, stamped envelope with two postage stamps. Send request and completed application to:
Holly Schaeffgen
The Charter School of Wilmington
100 N. DuPont Rd.
Wilmington, DE 19807

Ivyane D.F. Davis Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: June 15 for fall admission

Eligibility: Applicants must have been in foster care in Delaware; a resident of Delaware for at least one year before applying; and applied to, accepted by, or attending an institution of higher learning or trade school. All applicants must have completed a FAFSA and provide the Board with documentation of all other grants, scholarships, and awards before an award determination will be made.

Award: Assistance toward tuition and other school-related expenses

Contact: Visit our website at www.courts.delaware.gov/cprb for application and forms.
Child Placement Review Board
Carvel State Office Bldg.
820 N. French St.
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-577-8750

Delaware Association of Educational Office Professionals

Deadline: March 15

Eligibility: Seniors in public high schools planning to enter a business program at an accredited college for at least two years.

Award: Three (3) awards of \$1,000

Contact: High school guidance counselor

Delaware Association of School Administrators Essay Contest for Prospective Educators

Deadline: Mid-March. Application forms available from high school guidance counselors.

Eligibility: Senior planning to major in education. Essay of 300 to 500 words is required. Student's high school must have an administrator who is a DASA member.

Award: Paul Carlson Scholarship: \$1,000

William B. Keene Scholarship: \$1,000

Contact: Delaware Association of School Administrators
860 Silver Lake Blvd., Ste. 150
Dover, DE 19904-2402
302-674-0630
dvirdin@edasa.org
www.edasa.org

Delaware Diabetes Coalition, Inc. Scholarship

Deadline: April 15, 2012

Eligibility:

- Delaware resident
- High school senior with Type 1 or Type 2 Diabetes, pursuing further education in an accredited higher education program
- GPA of 2.5 or better
- 500-word essay entitled: "How diabetes has impacted my life choices"
- Two letters of support, not from family members
- (Optional) Able to make an appearance at the annual Delaware Diabetes Wellness EXPO held the second week of November, to be recognized as the scholarship recipient

Award: \$500, nonrenewable

Contact: Betsy Wheeler, Executive Director
Delaware Diabetes Coalition, Inc.
1001 S. Bradford St., Ste. 9
Dover, DE 19904
302-744-9267
302-744-9287 (fax)
betsy@managetool.com
www.dediabetescoalition.org

Delaware/DuPont FFA Scholarship

Deadline: February 15, 2012

Eligibility: A college-bound Delaware FFA member pursuing a four-year degree in agriculture or ag sciences, and who has a record of public service and academic excellence, as demonstrated by a minimum GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale. Preference will be given to those with local, state or national leadership experience.

Award: \$1,000, nonrenewable

Contact: Apply online at www.ffa.org.
National FFA
PO Box 68960
6060 FFA Dr.
Indianapolis, IN 46268-0960
317-802-6060
317-802-6091 (fax)
scholarships@ffa.org

Delaware Engineering Society (DES) National Society of Professional Engineers

Deadline: December 12, 2011

Eligibility: Open to all Delaware high school seniors who will enroll in an ABET-accredited college engineering program (in-state or out-of-state) in fall 2012. Other requirements may apply. Available scholarships are as follows:

Award:

- DES Joe J. Welker, Jr. Memorial Scholarship: \$1,000 minimum, nonrenewable
- DES/University of Delaware Scholarship: \$2,000/year, renewable for 4 years (must apply to University of Delaware by January 1, 2012)
- Other awards may be available.

Contact: In late September, high school guidance counselors are sent applications, or applications may be downloaded from www.desonline.us. Contact Stacy Ziegler at 302-239-6634 or at stziegler@duffnet.com for further information.

Delaware Envirothon Scholarship

Deadline: Team registration deadline is mid-March. State competition is usually held last Thursday in April

Eligibility: Provides students with an integrated approach to exploring five natural resource categories (aquatic ecology, forestry, soil/land use, wildlife, and a current environmental issue). Students in grades 9-12 may form a team from their school or other youth organization. Teams are composed of five students (two alternate students are recommended). Each team completes one collective answer sheet for each station.

Award: Each student on the winning team receives a \$500 Delaware Envirothon scholarship and a \$3,000 renewable scholarship from Wesley College. Individual prizes are awarded to members of the top seven teams, ranging from \$15 to \$100. The top four teams also receive a team award for the purchase of education supplies. Winning team represents Delaware later in the summer at the Canon Envirothon, which awards \$5,000, \$4,000, and \$3,000 scholarships to first, second, and third place team members. Scholarships are now provided to the top 10 teams.

Contact: Kerin Walsh
Delaware Envirothon
800 Bay Rd., Ste. 2
Dover, DE 19901
302-741-2600
302-741-0347 (fax)
www.delawareenvirothon.org
www.envirothon.org

Delaware Equine Council Scholarship

Deadline: December 31, 2011; awarded in March 2012 at Annual Scholarship Fundraiser Event

Eligibility:

- Must be a U.S. citizen and a Delaware resident or DEC member.
- Must be enrolled in a Delaware university agriculture program or an equine studies program at a U.S. university and in good standing.
- Must submit a typewritten 250-word essay, "How I plan to use this course of study to further the equine industry."
- Must complete an application, include a transcript of a minimum of one full semester's grades from an accredited university.

All awards are given without discrimination as to race, sex, or creed.

Award: \$1,000 scholarship

Contact: Applications are available online.
Delaware Equine Council
P. O. Box 158
Harrington DE 19952
www.delawareequinecouncil.org

Delaware Farm Bureau Ag Scholarship

Deadline: April 15, 2012

Eligibility: Must submit a one-page, double-spaced summary of why you are seeking an education in the agriculture profession. Include any experience you have in this particular field that will be beneficial to you. Must also submit a recent high school or college transcript and two letters of reference with the name, address and phone number of the person writing the letter (must be someone outside of student's immediate family). Parents or applicant must be a member of the Delaware Farm Bureau for at least one year and maintain membership for the life of the scholarship. Applicants must be full-time students. Applications must be TYPED, not handwritten. Scholarship money is issued after you satisfactorily complete your first semester. If the second semester is not completed, the money must be refunded. All scholarship money is paid directly to the college. It is the scholarship winner's responsibility to contact the Farm Bureau office with the college's address and their student identification number before payment will be sent. Previous scholarship winners are not eligible to reapply.

Award: \$2,500

Contact: Lani Harmon, Marketing Member Benefits Coordinator
Delaware Farm Bureau
3457 S. DuPont Hwy.
Camden, DE 19934
800-273-0012
302-697-3183 (fax)
defarb1@verizon.net
www.defb.org

Delaware Governors' Biotech Scholarship Fund

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Must be planning to obtain a degree or certificate in the biotech field from the University of Delaware, Delaware State University, or Delaware Technical & Community College. Must demonstrate excellent grades in academic courses, including basic science courses and relevant specialized courses. Preference is given to students who are Delaware residents; however, students who are not Delaware residents may apply.

Award: Scholarships of up to \$3,500 each will be awarded to students attending each of the three eligible institutions. The type and amount of aid shall be at the discretion of the Board of Directors of the Delaware Community Foundation.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, contact your guidance counselor, college or university department chair, or:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
302-571-1553 (fax)
rgentsch@delcf.org

Delaware Industries for the Blind Scholarship

Deadline: April 15

Eligibility: College-bound high school seniors in Delaware who are seeking a career in education, rehabilitation, or social services. Must be U.S. citizens, have a "B" average or higher, exhibit leadership traits, and have performed community service.

Award: \$500; nonrenewable

Contact: DIB Scholarship Committee
Delaware Industries for the Blind
1901 N. Dupont Hwy, Biggs Bldg.
New Castle, DE 19720
302-255-9855
302-255-4442 (fax)
Derek.Alexander@state.de.us
www.dibproducts.com

Delaware Lions Foundation, Inc.**James A. McCarty Memorial Scholarship**

Deadline: Completed application form with all attachments must be postmarked by April 1.

Eligibility: Graduating high school seniors residing in Delaware and attending a public high school in Delaware. Must demonstrate exceptional involvement in community service and good leadership skills. Must also have high scholastic achievement and demonstrate financial need. Completed application, transcripts, college acceptance letter(s), FAFSA (if available), essay, and two letters of recommendation are required.

Award: \$1,000 scholarship to be paid to the college of recipient's choice (9 scholarships awarded in 2011)

Contact: Application is available online at www.lions22d.org and www.delawarelionsfoundation.org.

Delaware SEED (Student Excellence Equals Degree) Scholarship Program

Deadline: Must meet all institutional deadlines to submit application for admission, complete the FAFSA, and submit any other required forms. First deadline (for admission to the University of Delaware) is January 15.

Eligibility: Provides tuition for eligible students enrolling full-time in an associate degree program at Delaware Technical & Community College or the University of Delaware's Associate in Arts program. To be eligible, you must:

- graduate from a Delaware public or nonpublic high school, or from a homeschool that meets standards established by the enrolling institution;
- meet the institutional Delaware residency requirements.
- have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale or 80% on a 100% scale as indicated on your official high school transcript;
- satisfy the admission standards of the enrolling institution.
- not have been convicted of a felony;
- enroll full-time no later than the fall semester immediately after your high school graduation;
- complete the FAFSA and apply for all appropriate forms of financial aid for which you are eligible and accept all such financial assistance offered or awarded, except for loans.
- maintain a cumulative 2.5 GPA in your degree program in order to remain eligible for the scholarship.

Award: Provides tuition for eligible students after other financial aid received is deducted from total tuition costs. Does not cover books, fees, or other related expenses. SEED recipients must reapply annually. Awards are dependent upon State funding.

Contact: Your high school guidance counselor or:

Delaware Technical & Community College

www.dtcc.edu/seed

Financial Aid Office, Owens Campus, 302-855-1693
 Financial Aid Office, Terry Campus, 302-857-1040
 Financial Aid Office, Stanton Campus, 302-453-3706
 Financial Aid Office, Wilmington Campus, 302-434-5552

University of Delaware

www.udel.edu/associateinarts/SEED

Student Financial Services, 302-831-2126

Delaware Open Cross Country Championship Scholarship

Deadline: Application must be received by 4:30 p.m., November 3, 2011.

Eligibility: Applicants must be nominated by their cross country coach. Each high school that is a member of the New Castle County Cross Country and Track Coaches Association (N5CTA) may nominate one male and one female high school senior. Nominees must be Delaware residents who have participated in high school cross country program(s) during junior and senior years, have an unweighted, cumulative GPA of 2.5 in high school core curriculum, and plan to enroll full-time in a two- or four-year program of study at a regionally accredited college. Based 50% on financial need, 25% on academic achievement, and 25% on participation in cross country programs. In the event of two equally qualified applicants, preference will be given to students who are All State selection, All County selection, and/or All Catholic selection.

Award: \$2,000 each for one male and one female student for freshman year of college. Award may be renewed in the amount of \$1,000 for sophomore year for recipients who continue to participate in cross country and maintain satisfactory academic progress.

Contact: Apply online at www.doe.k12.de.us/dheo.

Delaware Higher Education Office
 Carvel State Office Bldg.
 820 N. French St., Wilmington, DE 19801
 302-577-5240
dheo@doe.k12.de.us

Effective November 1, 2011, contact us at:

John G. Townsend Building
 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901
 302-735-4120
dheo@doe.k12.de.us

Delaware Solid Waste Authority John P. "Pat" Healy Scholarship

Deadline: Application must be received by 4:30 p.m. on March 8, 2012. Must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) prior to application deadline. FAFSA can be completed online at www.fafsa.ed.gov after January 1.

Eligibility: High school seniors and full-time college students in their freshman or sophomore years majoring in either environmental engineering or environmental sciences at a Delaware college. Based on financial need, academic performance, community or school involvement, and leadership ability. Must maintain a 3.0 GPA to renew.

Award: \$2,000, renewable

Contact: Apply online at www.doe.k12.de.us/dheo.

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TO LEARN ABOUT ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AT COLLEGES IN DELAWARE, CONTACT THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICES ABOVE AND...

Delaware College of Art & Design
www.dcad.edu, 302-622-8867, ext. 122

Delaware State University
www.desu.edu, 302-857-6250

Goldey-Beacom College
www.gbc.edu, 302-225-6265

Wesley College
www.wesley.edu, 302-736-2494

Widener University (University College)
www.widener.edu/uc, 610-499-4161

Wilmington University
www.wilmu.edu, 302-356-4636

Delaware State Education Association Scholarship

Deadline: March 12, 2012

Eligibility: Public high school senior who plans to pursue a four-year degree leading to Delaware teacher certification. Based on academic achievement, leadership, and character.

Award: \$4,000 (to be dispersed in \$1,000 increments over 4 years)

Contact: Sandy Dearman, Executive Assistant
136 E. Water St.
Dover, DE 19901
866-734-5834 or 302-734-5834
Sandy.Dearman@dsea.org

Delaware State Federation of Women's Clubs Scholarship Fund

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Delaware student who has completed high school study at a Delaware school. Must exhibit high scholarship, leadership achievement, and financial need. Sponsorship by member of this organization is required.

Award: Open

Contact: Mrs. Judy Palmer
701 Cox Neck Rd.
New Castle, DE 19720
302-834-4732

Delaware State Golf Association

Deadline: May 1

Eligibility: Active golfer or association with golf.

Award: Open

Contact: Delaware State Golf Association Scholarship Fund, Inc.
20 W. Buckingham Dr.
Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971

Delaware Youth Leadership

Deadline: April 1, 2012

Eligibility: Student Leaders who have completed one of the following leadership programs: The Jefferson Awards Students In Action Program at their local high school; The Governor's School For Excellence at the University of Delaware; The Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership program at Wesley College; in addition, eligible applicants include Student Leaders who have received a Jefferson Award during their freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior year in high school.

Award: Six \$1,000 awards (two each in New Castle, Kent, and Sussex Counties)

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Delawareans Save! IDA Program

Deadline: No deadlines; rolling enrollment

Eligibility: • Be income and asset eligible according to federal guidelines
• Complete financial fitness program before enrolling
• Save between \$25 to \$250 per month, for at least 6 months and up to 36 months
• Attend asset training to prepare for match

Award: Dependent upon how much the participant saves at a rate of 1:2.5 (for every \$1 saved, \$2.50 is matched!). So if you save the maximum of \$1,500 per individual, an additional \$3,750 is matched, making a total of \$5,250 in savings that can be used toward tuition, books, fees, etc.

Contact: Jan Slattery
First State Community Loan Fund/Delawareans Save!
100 W. 10th St., Ste. 1005
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-652-6774 or 800-652-4779
302-656-1272 (fax)
desave@firststateloan.org
www.DelawareansSave.com

Delmarva Antique Bottle Club, Inc. Ferd Meyer Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: May 4, 2012

Eligibility: Graduating high school seniors in a public high school in Sussex County. Must attend a two- or four-year college on a full-time basis. Selection is based on scholastic achievement, extracurricular activities, and financial need.

Award: \$500 to \$1,000, nonrenewable

Contact: Mary Beaman
Secretary, DABC
Delmarva Antique Bottle Club, Inc.
28947 Lewes-Georgetown Hwy.
Lewes, DE 19958
302-684-5055
oldngnu@comcast.net

Delmarva Paint Horse Club (DPHC) Scholarship

Deadline: March 31

Eligibility: High school senior or college freshman, sophomore or junior who is a member of the DPHC and active in the promotion of paint horses. Must graduate or be a graduate of an accredited high school and enroll or be enrolled in a college program. Based on merit. Must have a 2.75 GPA. Awarding of the scholarship is based on merit, GPA, and involvement with the DPHC.

Award: \$1,500 (one-year, renewable, nonrefundable award)

Contact: Application available online at www.dphconline.com.
Jane Griesa
400 Almshouse Rd.
Wyoming, DE 19934
302-697-9480

Delmarva Peninsula Golf Association, Inc.

Deadline: June 1

Eligibility: Active golfer who resides below the Chesapeake & Delaware Canal and enrolled in a college program that will lead to a degree. Must have a U.S.G.A. handicap. Only available to students from a D.P.G.A. member club.

Award: Open

Contact: Jack Slayton
7772 Broadleaf Dr.
Parsonsborg, MD 21849
410-749-6685

Delmarva Poultry Industry, Inc. College Scholarship Program

Deadline: April 1, 2012

Eligibility: Applicants must be a resident of the Delmarva Peninsula, which comprises the state of Delaware, nine Eastern Shore counties of Maryland, and two Eastern Shore counties of Virginia. High school seniors accepted to and undergraduates enrolled in any accredited, degree-granting institution may apply. Must be a student in good standing and pursuing a career path leading to employment in some segment of Delmarva's chicken business. Graduate students at any accredited, degree-granting institution who are engaged in research that directly benefits Delmarva's chicken industry may also apply.

Award: \$1,500 or more. Award recipients may reapply.

Contact: Connie Parvis
Director of Education
Delmarva Poultry Industry, Inc.
16686 County Seat Hwy.
Georgetown, DE 19947
302-856-9037
302-856-9799 (fax)
dpi@dpichicken.com
www.dpichicken.org

Del-One Scholarship

Deadline: March 15

Eligibility: Delaware high school student who is a Del-One member, son or daughter of a Del-One member, or grandchild of a Del-One member. (Del-One employees, volunteers, and immediate families are not eligible.) Must begin a local accredited college program within the State of Delaware no later than the fall of the current year and be a prospective college freshman at time of application. Must be a student in good standing and demonstrate community involvement. Must submit a one- to two-page (maximum) essay explaining, "How this scholarship will assist in reaching your educational goals and how the credit union has helped you or your family."

Award: \$1,000 (two awards)

Contact: Amy Resh
Del-One
270 Beiser Blvd.
Dover, DE 19904
amy.resh@del-one.org
www.del-one.org

DIAA/Harry Roberts Senior Scholar-Athlete Awards

Deadline: Third Friday in April annually

Eligibility: Nominee must be a 12th grade student enrolled at a DIAA member school. Must have earned at least two varsity letters in each of two different sports regulated by DIAA during grades 9-12 and have a cumulative (grades 9-12) GPA of at least 3.5 on a 4.0 scale at the end of the third quarter or second trimester of their 12th grade year. Must submit a **typed** essay of not more than 500 words describing how participation in interscholastic athletics has enhanced his/her educational experience. Must submit evidence of leadership position(s) in school-sponsored or community activities. All nominations **must** be made through the school Athletic Director. Each DIAA member school may nominate only one female and one male candidate for these awards.

Award: 3 awards each for females and males: \$2,000, \$1,500, and \$1,000

Contact: Tina Hurley
Delaware Interscholastic Athletic Association
35 Commerce Way, Ste. 1
Dover, DE 19904
302-857-3365
302-739-1769 (fax)
thurley@state.de.us
www.doe.k12.de.us/programs/diaa/forms.shtml

Distinguished Young Woman of Delaware Program

Formerly known as Delaware Junior Miss Scholarship Program

Deadline: March 1

Eligibility: Junior college bound female. Judging consists of scholastics (20%), interview (25%), self expression (15%), fitness (15%), and talent (25%), which culminates in an onstage showcase.

Award: Cash scholarships and other college-granted scholarship opportunities.

Contact: Apply online at www.distinguishedyw.org.
Co-Chairs: Lana Parker, 302-841-7080, dlp72@comcast.net
and Aimee Parker, 302-542-2065, eyedocaimee@hotmail.com.

Dover Century Club Scholarships

Deadline: March 15, 2012

Eligibility: A Dover High School or St. Thomas More student graduating spring of 2012. Applicants must be of outstanding character, have an excellent academic record, and have demonstrated community service.

Award: One \$2,000 award to either a male or female student in any field of study.

Contact: Application available from the Dover High School or St. Thomas More Guidance Office in February.

Education and Training Voucher (ETV)

Deadline: June 15 for fall admission

Eligibility: Youth 18-21 years of age who were in foster care until age 18 or who were in care, but adopted after their 16th birthday, are eligible. Applicants must have applied to, accepted by, or attending an institution of higher learning or trade school. All applicants must have completed a FAFSA and provide the Board with documentation of all other grants, scholarships, and awards before an award determination will be made.

Award: Assistance toward tuition and other school-related expenses

Contact: Visit our website at www.courts.delaware.gov/cprb for application and forms.

Child Placement Review Board

Carvel State Office Bldg.

820 N. French St.

Wilmington, DE 19801

302-577-8750

Don and Nancy Edwards Scholarship

Deadline: October 31, 2012

Eligibility: Must be identified and recommended through the Upward Bound program at the University of Delaware or Delaware Technical & Community College. Must demonstrate academic ability and financial need and plan to pursue a four-year college degree.

Award: Up to \$5,000/year after other scholarships and funding are applied to student's account. Scholarship to be awarded every two years.

Contact: Upward Bound Program Counselor or:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org
www.delcf.org

Helen L. & Douglas C. Eliason Scholarship Fund

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Low- to moderate-income working adults (Delaware residents only) who want to improve their employment potential through continuing education or technical training **or** high school low- to moderate-income students living in New Castle County.

Award: Varies; students may reapply for continued support. Award is intended to supplement, not replace, other scholarships or funding. May be used for payment of tuition or books.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
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Wilmington, DE 19899
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Elks National Foundation**Most Valuable Student Competition**

Deadline: Applications for the Elks National Foundation's 2012 MVS contest will be available online and at local Elks Lodges on September 1, 2011.

Eligibility: Any high school senior who is a citizen of the United States is eligible to apply. Applicants need not be related to a member of the Elks. College students are not eligible to apply. Applicants must be citizens of the United States on the date their applications are signed; permanent legal resident status does not qualify. Male and female students compete separately. Applicants will be judged on scholarship, leadership, and financial need. Must be pursuing a four-year degree and enroll full-time at an accredited U.S. college or university.

Award: 500 four-year total awards for 2012 competition:

- Two first-place awards of \$60,000
- Two second-place awards of \$40,000
- Two third-place awards of \$20,000
- Two fourth-place awards of \$16,000
- Two fifth-place awards of \$12,000
- Four sixth-place awards of \$10,000
- Four seventh-place awards of \$8,000
- 482 runners-up awards of \$4,000

Contact: Applications must advance through local, district, and state competitions to reach national judging. Applications available at your local Elks Lodge or at www.elks.org.

Endo Pharmaceuticals Scholarship Fund

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Scholarship recipients shall be children of employees in good standing of Endo Pharmaceuticals; so long as the employee is at the senior director level or below at the time the scholarship is awarded. Students must be under the age of 25 and must major in one of the following majors: biology, biochemistry, physiology, bioengineering, biological process engineering, chemistry, chemical engineering, pharmacy, physician assistant program, nurse or nurse practitioner programs.

Award: Awards shall be based on a student's academic promise, high level of motivation, and personal commitment to the life sciences. Award is intended to supplement, not replace, other scholarships or funding. May be used for payment of tuition or books.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org or obtained from Endo Pharmaceuticals Human Resources Department. For more information, contact:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Ennes Educational Foundation Trust Youth Scholarship

Deadline: July 1

Eligibility: Graduating high school seniors entering college in the fall of 2012 who aspire to a career in the technical aspects of broadcasting. Scholarship may be used for tuition, room and board, or textbook costs at postsecondary educational institutions, or for other technical training programs approved by the Scholarship Committee.

Award: \$1,000 to \$1,500

Contact: Debbie Hennessey
Society of Broadcast Engineers
9102 N. Meridian St., Ste. 150
Indianapolis, IN 46260
317-846-9000
317-846-9120 (fax)
dhennessey@sbe.org
www.sbe.org

First State Manufactured Housing Association Scholarship

Deadline: Application must be received by 4:30 p.m. on April 5, 2012. Must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) prior to application deadline. FAFSA can be completed online at www.fafsa.ed.gov after January 1.

Eligibility: FSMHA scholarships are offered to Delaware residents who are high school seniors or former graduates and who are seeking to further their education. Must have been a resident of a manufactured home for at least one year prior to the application. Evaluated on scholastic record, financial need, essay, and personal/professional recommendations. May be used for any type of accredited two- or four-year degree program, or for any accredited training, licensing, or certification program. Full- or part-time registration in an accredited program is acceptable.

Award: Varies, up to \$2,000/year for up to two awards (usually one for a traditional student and one for a nontraditional student). Award recipients can reapply annually.

Contact: Apply online at www.doe.k12.de.us/dheo.
Delaware Higher Education Office
Carvel State Office Bldg.
820 N. French St., Wilmington, DE 19801
302-577-5240
dheo@doe.k12.de.us

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401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901
302-735-4120
dheo@doe.k12.de.us

Joe Foss Institute Scholarship Essay Contests

Eligibility: A series of nationwide scholarship contests that ask the youth of America to take some time to ponder what the phrase "American values" means; to ponder what our freedoms cost; and to ponder what it means to be an American. In each contest, we invite high school students (grades 9-12) to submit essays based on a selected theme. A scholarship is awarded to the student whose essay best meets the criteria established at the outset of the competition. Three scholarships a year are offered (and possibly others in 2012). Guidelines are listed with each posting depending on topic, usually around March/April, Independence Day, and Veterans Day.

Award: \$5,000

Contact: Check the website regularly to see updated essay information. www.JoeFoss.com

Friends of the Hockessin Library Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Applicant must be a U.S. citizen and a member or a child or grandchild of a member of the Friends of the Hockessin Library. Membership in the Friends of the Hockessin Library must predate application deadline by at least one year. Applicant must be accepted to or attending an accredited, postsecondary educational institution. The applicant can be a full- or part-time student. Applicant must demonstrate excellent scholarship, leadership, community service, and outstanding character. Preference is given to Delaware and Southeastern Pennsylvania applicants; however, others may apply.

Award: The type and amount of aid shall be at the discretion of the Board of Directors of the Delaware Community Foundation and may include awards up to \$5,000 for full-time students and up to \$3,000 for part-time students.

Contact: A member of the Friends of the Hockessin Library, your high school guidance counselor, or application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, contact:
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Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Gates Millennium Scholars

Deadline: Wednesday, January 11, 2012 at 11:59 p.m. EST

Eligibility: Students can be considered for a GMS scholarship if they:

- are African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American or Hispanic American
- are a citizen, national or legal permanent resident of the United States
- have attained a cumulative high school GPA of 3.3 on an unweighted 4.0 scale or have earned a GED
- will enroll for the first time at a U.S. located, accredited college or university (with the exception of students concurrently pursuing a high school diploma) in the fall of 2012 as a full-time, degree-seeking, first-year student. First-time college enrollees can also be GED recipients

- have demonstrated leadership abilities through participation in community service, extracurricular, or other activities.
- meet the Federal Pell Grant eligibility criteria
- complete and submit all three required forms: (1) the student's application (Nominee Personal Information Form), (2) an evaluation of the student's academic record (Nominator Form), and (3) an evaluation of the student's community service and leadership activities (Recommender Form) by the deadline

Award: GMS will select 1,000 students each year. Awards are based on the cost of tuition, fees, books, and living expenses for the academic year as well as the availability of grants and other scholarships reported on the submitted financial aid award letter. Undergraduate award may be renewed annually based on satisfactory academic progress, full-time status, and the timely submission of required documents.

Contact: Gates Millennium Scholars
PO Box 10500
Fairfax, VA 22031-8044
877-690-4677
www.gmsp.org

Generation III *GreenSense* Scholarship

Deadline: Applications must be postmarked by April 5, 2012.

Eligibility: The scholarship is being awarded as an incentive to our next generation of environmental stewards. Applicant must plan on pursuing an associate or bachelor's degree in environmental studies at one of the following institutions: University of Delaware, Delaware Technical & Community College, Goldey-Beacom College, Wesley College, Delaware State University, or Lincoln University. Applicant may not be an EDiS employee or relative of an EDiS employee.

Award: \$1,000, renewable for up to four years with a cumulative 2.5 or greater GPA

Contact: Applications can be downloaded from EDiS' website at www.ediscompany.com/greenscholarship or requested from Jackie McKee at 302-421-5700.

Generation III Scholarship

Deadline: Applications must be postmarked by April 5, 2012

Eligibility: Applicant must plan on pursuing an associate or bachelor's degree in architecture, business or engineering at one of the following institutions: University of Delaware, Delaware Technical & Community College, Goldey-Beacom College, Wesley College, Delaware State University, or Lincoln University. Applicant may not be an EDiS employee or relative of an EDiS employee.

Award: \$1,000, renewable for up to four years with a cumulative 2.5 or greater GPA

Contact: Applications can be downloaded from EDiS' website at www.ediscompany.com/scholarship or requested from Jackie McKee at 302-421-5700.

George E. Gordy/Family Educational Trust Scholarship

Deadline: February 15

Eligibility: Worthy and needy students who are graduates of Sussex County high schools. May be "past graduates" who are currently enrolled in college. Available for both two-year and four-year educational programs. Must attend college full-time.

Award: Maximum of \$3,000/year, renewable with application

Contact: Wilmington Trust Company
Deanne M. Welsh
Wealth Advisory Services
22205 DuPont Blvd.
Georgetown, DE 19947

Harlequin Dance Scholarship Program

Deadline: November 1, 2011

Eligibility: Must be a U.S. or Canadian citizen between the ages of 15 and 21 and enrolled in a public or private dance school program at the time of the application. Winners are randomly selected. American Harlequin Corporation does not judge artistic merits or financial situation of the applicants.

Award: \$5,000 (one award)
\$4,000 (one award)
\$3,000 (two awards)
\$2,000 (four awards)
\$1,000 (two awards)

Contact: Can apply online or download an application and fax to 856-231-4403. Mailed applications must be postmarked by November 1, 2011.
American Harlequin Corporation
Dance Scholarship Program
1531 Glen Ave.
Moorestown, NJ 08057
www.harlequinfloors.com

Amanda Haxton Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: First Friday in December

Eligibility: Will be awarded to a 2012 high school graduate and Delaware Shore Field Hockey participant who plans to attend a four-year college or university or a medical training facility or program.

Award: TBA

Contact: Application available online.
Michael Eisenhour
Executive Director
Delaware Shore Field Hockey, Inc.
34394 Retz Ln.
Lewes, DE 19958
302-645-2680
deshore@delawareshorefh.org
www.delawareshorefh.org

The William H. Heald Scholarships

Deadline: Application must be requested by January 1, 2012, and submitted by January 31, 2012.

Eligibility: Scholarships are awarded annually out of a trust fund in the memory of William H. Heald, former U.S. Representative from Delaware (1909–1913). Applicant must be a bona fide resident of New Castle County, Delaware, and a male student entering the University of Delaware as a freshman. Typically, the committee considers such factors as the financial need of the applicant; willingness of the applicant to live on campus and participate in all aspects of college life; recommendations of persons knowing the applicant well; secondary school academic record; and extracurricular activities.

Award: Determination of recipients and amount of each award is made in the sole discretion of the scholarship committee. Over the past few years, the number of scholarships has ranged from three to five each year and the amount has varied between \$3,000 to \$4,000 per recipient. Renewable if recipient maintains academic standing and exhibits good citizenship at the University, acceptable to the committee in its sole discretion.

Contact: William M. Lafferty, Esquire
The William H. Heald Scholarship Committee
PO Box 1347, Wilmington, DE 19899-1347
302-351-9341
302-658-3989 (fax)
wlaftery@mnat.com

Hearn Scholarship

Deadline: May 24

Eligibility: Applicants must be high school students who reside within the boundaries of the Milford School District. Must demonstrate high academic achievement, rank within the top 10% of their class, and have attained good College Board scores. Renewal is dependent upon submission of an annual application with official transcript of grades from college or university.

Award: Awards vary at the discretion of the Selection Committee.

Contact: High school guidance office or PNC Bank branch offices at Milford Village Plaza and South Walnut Street

George H. Henry Award

Deadline: Application must be submitted to school guidance counselor by April 1.

Eligibility: Must be a high school senior from Cape Henlopen High School or Dover High School aspiring to a career in education or teaching in the State of Delaware's public school system.

Award: One-year, one-time award of \$500 awarded annually in each of the Capital and Cape Henlopen School Districts.

Contact: Cape Henlopen or Dover High School Guidance Office or:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org
www.delcf.org

Hispanic Association of Colleges and Universities (HACU)

Eligibility: HACU works to improve access to and the quality of postsecondary educational opportunities for Hispanic students. All applicants must:

- Demonstrate financial need (typically determined by FAFSA).
- Meet specific criteria for the scholarships to which they are applying.
- Be attending a HACU-member college or university (listed online) in the U.S. or Puerto Rico at the time applications are completed and scholarship awards are made. **High school seniors are not eligible.**

Award: Varies

Contact: www.hacu.net

Hispanic Scholarship Fund (HSF) General College Scholarship Program

Deadline: Application available online in September

Eligibility: Designed to assist students of Hispanic heritage obtain a college degree. Scholarships are available on a competitive basis to graduating high school seniors, undergraduates, and graduate students. Applicants must:

- Be of Hispanic heritage
- Be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident with a permanent resident card or passport stamped I-551 (not expired)
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- Have plans to enroll **full-time** in a degree seeking program at a two- or four-year U.S. accredited institution in the U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, or Guam during the 2012–13 academic year.
- Apply for federal financial aid by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)
- Be pursuing first undergraduate or graduate degree

Award: Award amounts generally range from \$1,000 to \$5,000.

Contact: www.hsf.net

Holocaust Remembrance Project Essay Contest

Deadline: Information will be available online in October.

Eligibility: National essay contest for high school students age 19 or under in grades 9–12 that is designed to encourage and promote study of the Holocaust. Essays are judged with special attention to: (1) evidence of relevant reading and thoughtful use of resource materials; (2) treatment of the assigned theme; (3) clear and effective language, mechanics and grammar; and, (4) a coherent plan of organization. A free comprehensive teacher resource guide, which contains more than 50 lesson plans designed to inform and encourage critical thinking skills, is available online.

Award: Ten first-place winners will be awarded college scholarships from \$5,000 to \$2,500. First-place winning students, teachers, and Holocaust survivors participate in an all-expense paid trip to a leading Holocaust Museum. Ten second-place winners are awarded \$500 cash prizes. Ten third-place winners are awarded \$250 cash prizes.

Contact: http://holocaust.hklaw.com

Inspire Scholarship

Deadline: Must meet Delaware State University's deadlines to submit application for admission, complete the FAFSA, and submit any other required forms.

Eligibility: Provides tuition assistance for eligible students enrolling full-time in a degree program at DSU. To be eligible, you must:

- graduate from a Delaware public or nonpublic high school, or from a homeschool that meets the same public and nonpublic standards for high school graduates.
- meet DSU's Delaware residency requirements.
- have a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher on a 4.0 scale, as indicated on your official high school transcript.
- satisfy the admission standards of DSU.
- not have been convicted of a felony.
- enroll full-time no later than the fall semester immediately after your high school graduation.
- complete the FAFSA annually by March 15 and apply for all appropriate forms of financial aid for which you are eligible and accept all such financial assistance offered or awarded, except for loans.
- maintain a cumulative 2.75 GPA and successfully complete a minimum of 24 credit hours each year in order to remain eligible for the scholarship.
- complete 10 hours of community service, as defined by the institution, each semester at DSU

Award: Provides tuition assistance, up to a maximum of \$3,000/year, after other financial aid received is deducted from total tuition costs. Does not cover books, fees, or other related expenses. Recipients must reapply annually.

Contact: Your high school counselor or:

Delaware State University, Financial Aid Office
1200 N. DuPont Highway, Dover, Delaware 19901
302-857-6250
scholarships@desu.edu
<http://www.desu.edu/inspire>

**TO LEARN ABOUT ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
AT OTHER COLLEGES IN DELAWARE, CONTACT...**

Delaware College of Art & Design

www.dcad.edu, 302-622-8867, ext. 122

Delaware Technical & Community College

www.dtcc.edu

Owens Campus, 302-855-1693 Terry Campus, 302-857-1040
Stanton Campus, 302-453-3706 Wilmington Campus, 302-434-5552

University of Delaware

www.udel.edu, 302-831-2126

Goldey-Beacom College

www.gbc.edu, 302-225-6265

Wesley College

www.wesley.edu, 302-736-2494

Widener University (University College)

www.widener.edu/uc, 610-499-4161

Wilmington University

www.wilmu.edu, 302-356-4636

Institute of Food Technologists (IFT) Freshman Scholarships

Deadline: March 15

Eligibility: Awarded to scholastically outstanding high school graduates or seniors expecting to graduate from high school and entering college for the first time in an IFT-approved program in food science or food technology (listed on website). Must have at least a 3.0 GPA. Scholarships are also available for college sophomores, juniors, seniors, and graduate students.

Award: \$1,000 (15 awards)

Contact: Application available after October 15 online at www.ift.org

Intel International Science and Engineering Fair

Eligibility: Intel ISEF is the culminating event in a series of local, regional, and state science fairs. Students in grades 9 through 12 compete at an Intel-affiliated regional or state fair. Winners participate at the Intel ISEF. Individual and team projects are eligible.

Award: \$500 to \$3,000 awarded in 18 categories; top 3 winners receive \$50,000

Contact: For a copy of the Intel ISEF Rulebook, visit www.societyforscience.org. For questions, email sciedu@societyforscience.org.

Intel Science Talent Search

Deadline: Transcript/Recommendation is due November 1, 2011 at 8:00 p.m. ET. Technical Support Deadline is November 15, 2011 at 8:00 p.m. ET. Application Deadline is November 16, 2011 at 8:00 p.m. ET

Eligibility: Conducted by Society for Science & the Public and sponsored by the Intel Corporation and Foundation, the Intel Science Talent Search (STS) is an annual competition for students in their last year of secondary school. Students must submit a written report on an independent research project that demonstrates competence in planning and completing a project in science, mathematics, or engineering.

Award: Over 1,700 high school seniors compete each year. 300 Semifinalists and their schools receive \$1,000 each. 40 Finalists are invited to Washington, DC to participate in final judging, display their work to the public, meet with notable scientists and government leaders, and receive awards from \$7,500 to \$100,000.

Contact: For a copy of the Intel STS Rules and Instructions, visit www.societyforscience.org. For questions, email sciedu@societyforscience.org.

Irish Culture Club of Delaware/Patrick O'Hanlon Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: March 1

Eligibility: Delaware high school student's contribution to ethnic activities within his/her community, scholastic efforts, and minor consideration to financial need. Applicants need not be Irish or a member of the Irish Culture Club of Delaware:

Award: \$1,000

Contact: See your high school guidance counselor or scholarship coordinator.

Janosik Family Scholarship Fund

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Applicants must be in grades 4 through 12, attend an Eastern Shore school, and be recommended by a guidance counselor or teacher based on citizenship qualities, work ethic, and service to the community. Must write a 250-word essay on the lessons learned from reading *Back to the Basics* by Johnny Janosik or *Gifted Hands* by Dr. Ben Carson.

Award: Scholarship is awarded once the student is accepted at an accredited university. Students can apply over multiple years until they graduate from high school.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

J.B.L. Scholarship Trust, Inc.

Deadline: March 15

Eligibility: Full-time college student under age of 30 with GPA of at least 2.75 who demonstrates proficiency and financial need. Depending on available funding, high school seniors with a GPA of 3.0 or higher or recent SAT of 1650 or better may also be considered. Students must be residents of the State of Delaware or attend a college/high school in the State of Delaware.

Award: Varies

Contact: Ms. Catherine S. Malone
John B. Lynch Scholarship Foundation
PO Box 4248
Wilmington, DE 19807-0248

M. Katherine Jones Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: June 1

Eligibility: Awarded to a New Castle County resident currently enrolled in 4-H, who has graduated or is graduating from high school, and has been accepted to an accredited college or university. Applicant must provide a statement of why he/she wants the scholarship and a statement of community service, school, and 4-H accomplishments. Must provide names and addresses of three references; at least one should be associated with 4-H. Should arrange for a copy of latest transcript (high school or college) to be sent to the chairperson of the Memorial Fund Committee.

Award: \$300/year. Grant is a gift for one year; reapplication in subsequent years can be considered.

Contact: Maria Pippidis, Extension Educator, University of Delaware, at 302-831-1239.

John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest

Deadline: Saturday, January 7, 2012

Eligibility: Open to U.S. high school students in grades 9 through 12. All students must have a nominating teacher to provide them with support and advice during the writing of their essay. Essays must describe an act of political courage by a U.S. elected official that occurred during or after 1956, the publication date of *Profiles in Courage*. The official may have addressed an issue at the local, state, or national level. Contest requirements and samples of previous winning essays are available online.

Award:

- First Place: \$10,000—a \$5,000 cash award and \$5,000 to grow in a John Hancock Freedom 529 College Savings Plan, as well as an invitation to accept the award at Profile in Courage Award ceremony held at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library in Boston in May.
- Second Place: \$1,000 cash award
- Up to five finalists: \$500 cash award
- All winners receive a hardcover copy of John F. Kennedy's *Profiles in Courage*.
- Nominating teacher of the first-place winner is also invited to Kennedy Presidential Library to receive the John F. Kennedy Public Service Grant in the amount of \$500 for school projects encouraging student leadership and civic engagement.
- All participants receive a Certificate of Participation.

Contact: www.jfkcontest.org

Kent County Association for Family and Community Education Scholarship

Deadline: Application must be postmarked by June 1, 2012.

Eligibility: Kent County resident planning to enroll at the University of Delaware, Delaware State University, Delaware Technical & Community College, Wesley College, or Wilmington University and follow a course of study in human resources, agriculture and related fields, or human services.

Award: \$300

Contact: Chairman of Scholarship Committee
Cooperative Extension
University of Delaware
69 Transportation Circle
Dover, DE 19901
302-730-4000

Kirkwood Soccer Club

Deadline: June 30

Eligibility: High school senior who was a member of a team playing for the KSC for both junior and senior high school years. Recipients selected on the basis of their demonstrated character, scholastic achievement, school and community activities, work experience, and KSC involvement.

Award: \$500, up to 4 awards each year, nonrenewable

Contact: Kirkwood Soccer Club
1220 River Rd.
New Castle, DE 19720
302-328-9228
ksc@kirkwoodsoccer.org
www.kirkwoodsoccer.org/scholar.shtml

Kohl's Cares Scholarship Program

Deadline: 2012 nomination period will be February 1–March 15.

Eligibility: Recognizes and rewards young volunteers ages 6 to 18 for their contributions to their communities in the last 12 months (March 15, 2011 to March 15, 2012). Must be nominated by someone age 21 or older (parents can nominate their own children). Nominations can only be completed and submitted online at www.kohlkids.com. Nominator must describe the volunteer's actions in detail and should document efforts that are above and beyond what is normally expected of a child that age. Nominator must describe how the student has contributed to the community in a meaningful way by performing volunteer services that helped non-family members. Financial need or academic performance will not be considered in the review and selection of winners. Winners are chosen based on the project, benefits, and outcomes.

Award: Nomination forms will be separated into two age groups: ages 6–12 and ages 13–18. Kohl's plans to recognize one student from each age group as a store winner for each Kohl's store. Store winners will receive a \$50.00 Kohl's Gift Card. Additionally, over two hundred \$1,000 regional scholarship awards for postsecondary education are planned, half to each age group. Ten \$9,000 national scholarships for postsecondary education will be awarded, five to each age group (for a total scholarship of \$10,000). In addition, Kohl's donates \$1,000 to a non-profit organization on behalf of each national winner.

Contact: www.kohlscares.com

Bob LaPrad Scholarship

Deadline: April 1.

Eligibility: Must be graduating from the 11th or 12th grade and primary residence must be from within one of the following primary school districts—Delmar, Laurel, Seaford, or Woodbridge. Must be recommended by a guidance counselor or teacher based on citizenship qualities, work ethic, and service to the community. Must write an essay on why community service is important and the community service you have completed. Students planning a course of study in the field of engineering and students planning to attend a university in the State of Delaware will be given preference.

Award: One-time award; amount varies

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or: Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Robert "Boysie" Lowery Scholarship

Deadline: Applications reviewed quarterly

Eligibility: Students studying jazz. Can be used for private study or college.

Award: Varies

Contact: Howard Brown Scholarship Chair
Council of Jazz Advocates, DE Chapter
345 Scarlet Road
Kennett Square, PA 19348
HowardBrown2000@yahoo.com

Eric Marder Scholarship Program of the Immune Deficiency Foundation

Deadline: March 31

Eligibility: Applicant must document a diagnosis of a primary immune deficiency disease to be eligible. Awards are based on financial need, personal references, and school and community involvement.

Award: \$500 to \$1,000, renewable

Contact: Immune Deficiency Foundation
40 West Chesapeake Ave., Ste. 308
Towson, MD 21204
800-296-4433
www.primaryimmune.org

Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund

Eligibility: TMCf provides scholarships to eligible students attending public Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) and Predominately Black Institutions (PBIs). The awards are merit based; however, applicants must have a financial need to qualify and meet the following criteria:

- Attend one of the 47 TMCf-member schools.
- Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale for the duration of the scholarship.
- Be a U.S. citizen or legal permanent resident with a valid permanent resident card or passport stamped I-551.
- Apply for financial aid using the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Demonstrate leadership qualities and service experience.

Award: Average awards are \$2,200 per student per semester and restricted for payment of tuition, on-campus room and board, books and fees. Recipients must reapply annually for renewal.

Contact: Apply online at www.thurgoodmarshallfund.org.

Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) U.S. Scholarships

Deadline: Graduating high school seniors may apply online or via a hard copy application beginning November 12, 2011. At that time, applications can be downloaded online or students can access a link to begin the online application process. The deadline is January 27, 2012.

Eligibility: Students may apply for one of the four scholarships: RMHC Scholars; RMHC/Asia; RMHC/African-American Future Achievers; and RMHC/HACER Scholarships. The general eligibility requirements are:

- Be a high school senior
- Be younger than 21 years old
- Be eligible to attend a two- or four-year college or university with a full course of study
- Be a legal U.S. resident
- Live in a participating RMHC Chapter's geographic area
- Submit a complete application and all required documentation by the deadline on the application
- Meet any additional eligibility requirements outlined by each scholarship program
- Verification of enrollment each year at the student's accredited postsecondary institution

Contact: Participating Local Chapter Education Hotline: 215-790-4320
rmhc.org/what-we-do/rmhc-u-s-scholarships

Keisha M. Michael Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: April 1, 2012

Eligibility: Open to any African American senior residing in New Castle County who has a 2.5 GPA and will be attending an Historically Black College or University (HBCU). A brief essay must be written on how a college education will help you make an impact upon the community and affect your life. Community and church service are considered. Personal recommendation is required.

Award: Minimum \$1,000, depending on GPA and materials submitted. Awardees can reapply after the first year.

Contact: Request application from:

Dianne Michael
PO Box 7593
Wilmington, DE 19803-7593
302-475-9288

William J. & H. Virginia Miller Jr. Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Must be a graduating senior from St. Thomas More Preparatory High School or Cab Calloway School of the Arts and be accepted into an accredited college or university with an intended major in a business-related field. Applicants must have a 2.75 GPA and provide evidence of leadership in the community as substantiated by reference letters. No preference will be given to applicants on the basis of race, religion, or gender.

Award: Awards shall be made at such times and in such amounts as determined by the DCF Board of Directors. Award is intended to supplement, not replace, other scholarships or funding. Funds may be used for payment of tuition or books.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or: Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Mispillion Rotary Club Interact Scholarship

Deadline: March

Eligibility: Must be a senior at Milford Senior High School and must be a member in good standing in the Milford High School Interact Club.

Award: \$1,000

Contact: Craig Crouch
Kent-Sussex Industries, Inc.
301 N. Rehoboth Blvd.
Milford, DE 19963
302-422-4014, ext. 3009
302-422-5848
crouchc@ksiinc.org

Miss Delaware Pageant (A Scholarship Program)

Eligibility: Competition is open to young women ages 17 to 24. The Miss Delaware winner will compete in the Miss America Pageant (www.missamerica.org). Local and state competitions are scored on a scale of 1 through 10 in the following categories:

- Interview—25%
- On-stage question—5%
- Talent—35% (Talent must not exceed 90 seconds.)
- Evening wear—20%
- Lifestyle and fitness in swimsuit—15%

Award: \$200 to \$10,000

Contact: For more information about becoming a contestant, see www.missde.org, or contact Dulcena Kemmerlin, Director of Field Operations, 302-393-1483, kemmer32@hotmail.com.

Elisie B. Moore Scholarship

Deadline: March 30

Eligibility: Must be a legal resident of the State of Delaware who is entering the first year of medical school.

Award: Minimum of \$2,000 renewable annually for a total of 4 years

Contact: PNC Wealth Management
222 Delaware Ave., 18th Floor
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-429-1186

Geneva Pepper Morris Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Must be a female graduating senior at Cape Henlopen High School and be enrolled or intend to enroll at an accredited college or university with an intended major in a business-related field.

Award: One-year, one-time award of \$1,000; manner and method for selecting recipients shall be the sole responsibility of the Scholarship Advisory Committee.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Anne Richards Maclary Munyun Scholarship

Deadline: March 20
Eligibility: High school seniors who have attended Newark High School for their full junior and senior years. A minimum GPA of 3.0 is required. High school grades, achievements, and community involvement are compared to other applicants each year. An essay and recommendation letter are required. A career in education as a goal is requested.
Award: \$1,500
Contact: Applications are available from Newark High School guidance counselors in January.

Capt. William O. Murray Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: March 23, 2012
Eligibility: High school seniors who reside in the towns of Fenwick Island, Bethany Beach, Ocean View, Millville, Clarksville, Selbyville, Frankford, Dagsboro, Millsboro, and their surrounding rural areas. This area encompasses the zip codes of 19944, 19930, 19970, 19967, 19975, 19945, 19939, and 19966. Must have an exemplary community service record along with financial need.
Award: \$8,000 (\$2000/year for four years)
Contact: Scholarship Committee
Quiet Resorts Charitable Foundation
PO Box 354
Bethany Beach, DE 19930
302-537-QRCF (537-7723)
www.qrcf.org

National Association of Hispanic Journalists Scholarships

Eligibility: Encourages and assists Latino students pursue careers in journalism. Scholarships for college-bound high school seniors, college undergraduates, and first-year graduate students who are pursuing careers in English- or Spanish-language print, photo, broadcast, or online journalism. Must be attending a four-year or community college in the U.S. or Puerto Rico full-time for the entire academic year. Selection based on: commitment to the field of journalism, academic achievement, financial need, and awareness of the Latino community. Applicants must be current members of NAHJ.
Award: \$1,000 to \$5,000
Contact: Scholarship program information and application available online at www.nahj.org.

National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials, Delaware Chapter Scholarship

Deadline: Postmarked by May 1, 2012
Eligibility: Must reside in subsidized housing defined as Project Based Section 8, Rural Development Section 515, Housing Choice Vouchers or Public Housing at time of application and provide a copy of Certification Form from Housing Manager. Must be a graduating high school senior from a high school located in Delaware and have 2.5 minimum cumulative GPA. Two letters of recommendation are required: one letter from a person in authority from the high school and one letter from a community leader. Must submit a 500-word essay and provide list of extracurricular activities in school and in the community. Judging is based 60% on written application (academic performance and extra-curricular activities) and 40% on essay.
Award: One \$1,000 nonrenewable award to be used at a two- or four-year college or university
Contact: Applications are available statewide at high school counselor offices.
DE NAHRO
PO Box 7045
Newark, DE 19714-7045

National Association of Women in Construction (NAWIC), Chapter #96

Deadline: March 15
Eligibility:

- Must pursue a career in a construction-related field.
- Can be enrolled full- or part-time.
- Must be a resident of Delaware or attending a Delaware institution.
- Must be a female at least 17 years of age.
- Recipients must maintain a 2.5 GPA.

Award: \$500 to \$2,000
Contact: Application is available online at www.nawicde.org.
NAWIC Chapter 96
c/o Mary Barnhart
PO Box 96
Montchanin, DE 19710
302-379-4129
MaryB.NAWIC96@yahoo.com

National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Delaware Chapter, Dr. Teresa D. Drummond Scholarship

Deadline: Mid-June. Applications reviewed annually.
Eligibility: High school seniors, undergraduates, and mature women accepted into technical, associate, or bachelor degree programs. Minimum 2.5 GPA. Must demonstrate merit and/or financial need and merit. Applicants must be residents of the State of Delaware, complete the application, and demonstrate commitment to community service.
Award: Varies based on availability of scholarship funds.
Contact: Download application at www.nc100bwde.org.
NCBW, Delaware Chapter
Community Services Building
100 West 10th St., Ste. 1004
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-658-0410

National Eagle Scouts of America Scholarships

Deadline: Applications available online October 31, 2011

Eligibility: NESA **academic** scholarship applicants must be Eagle Scouts graduating from high school and entering college in the year for which they apply for a scholarship. NESA **merit** scholarship applicants must be Eagle Scouts graduating high school or undergraduate college students no farther than completion of the junior year. Awards are highly competitive.

Award:

- Academic scholarships:
 - Four \$20,000 scholarships (\$5,000/year)
 - One \$48,000 scholarship (up to \$12,000/year for four years)
 - Varying number of other awards
- Merit scholarships
 - \$1,000 (number of awards varies)

Contact: www.nesa.org/scholarships.html

National Federation of the Blind Scholarship Program

Deadline: The 2012 Scholarship Program will run from the first week of November 2011 to the deadline of March 31, 2012.

Eligibility: NFB gives a broad array of 30 scholarships annually to recognize achievement by blind scholars. All applicants for these scholarships:

- must be legally blind in both eyes, and
- must be residing in the United States, the District of Columbia, or Puerto Rico, and
- must be pursuing or planning to pursue a full-time, postsecondary course of study in a degree program at an accredited university in the United States in the 2012 scholastic year, except that one scholarship may be given to a person employed full-time while attending school part-time, and
- must participate in the entire NFB national convention and in all scheduled scholarship program activities.

Awarded based on academic excellence, community service, and financial need.

Award: \$3,000 to \$12,000 (30 awards). In addition, each winner will receive assistance to attend the 2012 NFB Annual Convention in July, which provides an excellent opportunity for high level networking with active blind persons in many different professions and occupations.

Contact: scholarships@nfb.org
www.nfb.org

National FFA Collegiate Scholarship Program

Deadline: February 15

Eligibility: Visit the FFA website at www.ffa.org after November 15 for scholarship details and applications. Several scholarships are available to non-FFA members meeting sponsor criteria.

National Honor Society Scholarships

Deadline: Nomination process for the 2012 program will open in October. Deadline for online nominations is January 20, 2012.

Eligibility: Each affiliated NHS chapter may nominate two to five seniors, (depending on the size of the graduating class) from their chapter to compete for the national awards. Students are selected based service, character, leadership, and scholarship. Sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP).

Award:

- Each state will have at least two State Finalists that will receive a \$1,000 scholarship. The number of awards per state is based on the quantity of chapters in your state.
- From the State Finalists, 53 State Winners will be chosen to receive an additional \$500 award (includes District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and an overseas winner).
- From the State Winners, nine Regional Winners will be selected to receive an additional \$1,500 award.
- From the nine Regional Winners, one National Winner will be chosen to receive an additional \$10,000 award making their total scholarship award \$13,000.

Contact: Your high school NHS chapter adviser. Advisers may access scholarship information and forms in the Adviser Zone at www.nhs.us.

National Law Enforcement and Firefighters Children's Foundation Scholarships

Eligibility: Applicants must be a child of a law enforcement agent/officer or firefighter who lost his/her life or was permanently disabled in the line of duty (eligibility details available online). Must be pursuing a bachelor's degree, associate's degree, certificate, or diploma at any accredited college, university or technical institution in the U.S. Must be registered as a full-time student during the entire academic year and maintain a 2.5 out of a 4.0 GPA, or the equivalent. Must reside and attend school in the U.S. Awards are based on scholastic and other achievements such as demonstration of leadership, outstanding performance in the arts, sports, or volunteer activities benefiting the community.

Award: Merit-based scholarship provides a maximum award up to \$5,000. Number of awards depends upon endowment. May be eligible for renewal if a 2.5 average GPA is maintained.

Contact: Application can be downloaded at www.nleafcf.org. Mail completed application to:
The National Law Enforcement and Firefighters Children's Foundation
Scholarship Awards Program
1383 Sixth Avenue #275
New York, New York 10019

National Multiple Sclerosis Society Scholarship

Deadline: Application available online in October

- Eligibility:
- High school seniors who have MS, or who have a parent with MS, who will be attending an accredited postsecondary school for the first time.
 - High school (or GED) graduates of any age who have MS, or who have a parent with MS, who will be attending an accredited postsecondary school for the first time.
 - Must be U.S. citizens or legal residents living in the U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, Guam, or any other U.S. territory and plan to enroll in an undergraduate course of study at an accredited two- or four-year college, university, or vocational-technical school located in the U.S., PR, VI, Guam or any other U.S. territory.
 - Must be enrolled in at least six credit hours per semester in course work leading to a degree, license, or certificate.
 - Selection based on applicant's demonstrated financial need, academic record, leadership and participation in school or community activities, work experience, an outside appraisal, goals and aspirations, special circumstances, and an essay regarding the impact of MS on their life.

Award: \$1,000 to \$3,000. A limited number of awards may exceed this amount. Awards each year vary upon funding. In 2011, over \$1 million was awarded to 639 scholars.

Contact: www.nationalmssociety.org/scholarship

National Peace Essay Contest

Deadline: Entries must be received online by February 1, 2012, 11:59 p.m. EST

Eligibility: Students in grades 9 through 12 may take part in the contest with the sponsorship of a coordinator—parent, teacher, youth leader, etc. Students must have a contest coordinator who can review essays and act as the key contact between participants and the Institute. For the 2011–12 contest, students must write an essay of no more than 1,500 words discussing “The Impact of New Media on Peacebuilding and Conflict Management.” Your essay must use well-researched ideas and facts to hold together logical and compelling arguments and present thoughtful solutions to the problem; reflect your ability to organize complex facts and ideas; bring perspectives and ideas to the analysis and recommendations; and pay attention to writing style and mechanics (grammar, syntax, and punctuation).

Award: Up to 53 first-place state winners receive \$1,000 scholarships and compete for national awards of \$10,000, \$5,000, and \$2,500 for first, second, and third place respectively (national award includes state award amounts). All first-place state winners are invited to attend an all-expense paid, five-day awards program in Washington, DC.

Contact: Essay guidelines available online at www.usip.org.

National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation Scholarship Programs

Deadline: Varies

Eligibility: NRAEF encourages and supports graduating high school students, GED graduates, and current undergraduate students who are committed to furthering their education and enhancing their careers in the restaurant and foodservice industry through its scholarships. Eligibility requirements for each scholarship can be found online.

Award: \$2,500 to \$3,500

Contact: www.nraef.org/scholarships

National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR), Good Citizen Contest/Scholarship

Deadline: December 31

Eligibility: Open to all senior class students who have demonstrated outstanding qualities of leadership, dependability, service, and patriotism in their home, school, and community. Candidates are chosen by individual accredited public or private secondary schools.

Award: • \$100 to \$250 (state)

• \$500 to \$5,000 (national)

Contact: See your guidance counselor or senior advisor.

National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf) Delaware Chapters Scholarship

Deadline: January 1, 2012

- Eligibility:
- Must be a Delaware high school graduate enrolling at an accredited institution of higher education.
 - Must support hunting tradition and submit copies of current hunting license and NWTf youth membership card.
 - Membership and scholarship applications can be gained through NWTf's website at www.nwtf.org or through the contact below.
 - Must demonstrate leadership ability and involvement in community and school activities.
 - Essay on hunting and dedication to conservation is required.
 - Must submit three letters of recommendation from teachers or community leaders.

Award: \$1,000 (one award) and \$500 (three awards)

Contact: Tom Spangler
Chairman of the Board, Delaware NWTf Chapters
173 S. Shore Dr.
Dover, DE 19901
302-697-3549

Newark High School Alumni Scholarship

Deadline: March 20

Eligibility: High school seniors who have attended Newark High School for their full junior and senior years. A minimum GPA of 3.0 is required. High school grades, achievements, and community involvement are compared to other applicants each year. An essay and recommendation letter are required.

Award: First place: \$1,000

Second place: \$500

Contact: Applications are available from Newark High School guidance counselors in January.

Newark Morning Rotary Club

Deadline: June 1

Eligibility: Applicants must be graduates of James Groves Adult High School, reside within the boundaries of the Christina School District, and demonstrate an interest in further education.

Award: \$500, renewable three times for a total of \$2,000

Contact: James W. Kent
1209 Independence Way
Newark, DE 19713
302-266-6669
jmkent@udel.edu

J.D. O'Connor Scholarship Fund

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Restricted to graduating seniors from a Sussex County high school and attending an accredited Delaware institution.

Award: \$1,000/year (semi-annual payments of \$500). May reapply for future funding as long as a 2.5 GPA is maintained and subject to verification that the student is enrolled full-time and in good standing. May receive a total of four annual awards.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or: Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636, Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Odyssey of the Mind, Delaware– David R. Williams Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: Last Saturday in April

Eligibility: Available to high school seniors who have participated as a team member in a state Odyssey of the Mind competition at least one year during high school. Must complete an application form including a creative problem solution; verification of participation; and a handwritten letter explaining applicant's creative efforts, talents, and contributions to Odyssey of the Mind. Application is available online.

Award: \$1,000

Contact: John Moller
3231 Henry Cowgill Rd.
Wyoming, DE 19934
302-697-3160
ralphellis@gmail.com
www.delcaps.org

Perdue Scholarship

Deadline: January 31

Eligibility: Seniors who are children of current Perdue employees or independent poultry producers under contract with Perdue.

Award: \$10,000

Contact: The Arthur W. Perdue Foundation
Scholarship Program
William S. Hetherington, Director
PO Box 1537
Salisbury, MD 21802-1537
bill.hetherington@perdue.com

Port of Wilmington Maritime Society's Dennis Latina Scholarship

Deadline: Application must be received by 4:30 p.m. on April 19, 2012. Must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) prior to application deadline. FAFSA can be completed online at www.fafsa.ed.gov after January 1.

Eligibility: High school seniors and returning/continuing college students whose parent, grandparent, or legal guardian is employed by any company located at the Port of Wilmington, and is a member of the Port of Wilmington Maritime Society, that has contributed a minimum of \$500 towards the Port of Wilmington Maritime Society Scholarship Funds may apply. Applicants must enroll in a two- or four-year program of study at an accredited college. Award is based on financial need, academic performance, school or community involvement, and leadership ability.

Award: \$2,500/year; award recipients may reapply annually

Contact: Apply online at www.doe.k12.de.us/dheo.
Delaware Higher Education Office
Carvel State Office Bldg.
820 N. French St., Wilmington, DE 19801
302-577-5240
dheo@doe.k12.de.us

Effective November 1, 2011, contact us at:

John G. Townsend Building
401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901
302-735-4120
dheo@doe.k12.de.us

Howard and Edna Postles Scholarship

Deadline: May 3

Eligibility: Applicants must be high school seniors living within a 15 mile radius of the Milford, Delaware, city limits. Annual renewal is dependent on the recipient maintaining a "B" average and continuing to maintain a legal residence in Delaware.

Award: Minimum of \$500; maximum at the discretion of the Selection Committee.

Contact: High school guidance office, PNC branch offices at Milford Village Plaza and South Walnut Street, or:
PNC Wealth Management
222 Delaware Ave., 18th Floor
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-429-1494

Wilbur E. Postles Scholarship

Deadline: April 30

Eligibility: Applicants must rank in the top 20% of their class and score 1700 or higher on the SAT exam. Applicants must also be residents of the State of Delaware for at least four years prior to making application for this scholarship and entering college for the first year of undergraduate school.

Award: Amounts and number vary at the discretion of the Selection Committee.

Contact: High school guidance office, or:
PNC Wealth Management
222 Delaware Ave., 18th Floor
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-429-1186

Principal's Leadership Award

Deadline: The deadline to submit nominations is 12:00 a.m. CST on Friday, December 2, 2011.

Eligibility: High school principals, assistant principals, or their designee may nominate one outstanding student leader from the senior class on the basis of their leadership skills, participation in service organizations and clubs, achievements in the arts and sciences, employment experience, and academic record. Sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP) in partnership with Herff Jones, Inc.

Award: Scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$12,000 will be awarded to 100 outstanding seniors from all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico.

Contact: Nomination forms must be submitted online. Instructions are available at www.nassp.org.

Print and Graphic Scholarship Foundation (PGSF)

Deadline: **March 1:** High school seniors

April 1: Enrolled college students

Eligibility: To be eligible to compete for a scholarship award, the student must be:

- Interested in a career in graphic communication and/or printing.
- A high school senior or a high school graduate.
- Preparing to engage or already engaged in a course of study at a two- or four-year college program.
- A full-time student. Scholarships are not awarded for part-time study.
- Able to maintain a 3.0 GPA (B average).

Award: Over 200 scholarships that vary from \$1,000 to \$5,000/year for up to four years (unless otherwise specified) if recipient maintains a 3.0 cumulative GPA and continues in approved program of study.

Contact: The application form can be downloaded online. Print and Graphics Scholarship Foundation
200 Deer Run Rd.
Sewickley, PA 15143
412-259-1740
800-910-4283
pgsf@printing.org
www.printing.org/pgsf

Prospective Educator Scholarships

Deadline: Application will be available online November 2011.

Eligibility: The National PDK Educational Foundation annually awards scholarships to prospective educators who have a connection to PDK. Eligible students must meet **one** of the following criteria:

- High school senior intending to major in education who is a member of a Future Educators Association® chapter in good standing
- High school senior intending to major in education who is the child or grandchild of a Kappan in good standing
- High school senior intending to major in education who has one of his/her reference letters written by a Kappan in good standing

- High school senior intending to major in education whose application is selected to represent the local PDK chapter
- An undergraduate member of an FEA or PDK chapter who is enrolled in a college education program

Delaware PDK Prospective Education Scholarship Program Criteria:

- Must meet the National PDK criteria as stated above
- Must send a copy of the application to the Delaware PDK Scholarship Chairperson listed below
- All scholarship forms (State and National) must include Delaware's PDK # 1139

Awards: • National awards range from \$500 to \$1,500

- Delaware PDK gives two awards \$1,000 each.

Contact: Can apply online for national scholarship. Must send a copy to the Delaware PDK contact person below.

Ms. Deborah Scott, Scholarship Chair

Delaware Phi Delta Kappa

3605 Hewn Ln. #721

Wilmington, DE 19808

302-995-8053 or 302-898-9441

302-995-8196 (fax)

dscotta@nccvt.k12.de.us

www.futureeducators.org

Prudential Spirit of Community Awards

Deadline: November 1

Eligibility: Recognizes students in grades 5-12 who have demonstrated exemplary community service. The volunteer activity must have occurred at least partly during the 12 months prior to the date of application. Schools and officially designated organizations may select one middle level and one high school level Local Honoree. Application must be certified by the principal of a middle-level or high school or the head of an officially designated local organization. Sponsored by Prudential Financial and the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP).

- Award:**
- Local Honorees are selected in November and receive a Certificate of Achievement from their schools or organizations. Those who qualify (50 hours of service for age 14 and younger, 100 hours for those older) also receive the President's Volunteer Service Award.
 - Two State Honorees from each state are selected in February and receive an award of \$1,000, an engraved silver medallion, and an all-expenses-paid trip with a parent or guardian to Washington, DC, for national recognition events.
 - Ten National Honorees receive an additional award of \$5,000, an engraved gold medallion, a crystal trophy for their schools or organizations, and a \$5,000 grant from The Prudential Foundation for a nonprofit, charitable organization of their choice.

Contact: spirit@principals.org

www.nassp.org

<http://spirit.prudential.com/view/page>

Dr. Joseph P. Pyle Scholarship

Deadline: March 30

Eligibility: Applicants must be residents of the City of Wilmington who attend any high school in New Castle County and who have attained 17 years of age but have not exceeded 21 years of age.

Award: Minimum award is \$2,000. Renewable annually.

Contact: High school guidance office, or:
PNC Wealth Management
222 Delaware Ave., 18th Floor
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-429-1186

Quiet Resorts Charitable Foundation Scholarships

Deadline: March 23, 2012

Eligibility: High school seniors who reside in the towns of Fenwick Island, Bethany Beach, Ocean View, Millville, Clarksville, Selbyville, Frankford, Dagsboro, Millsboro, and their surrounding rural areas. This area encompasses the zip codes of 19944, 19930, 19970, 19967, 19975, 19945, 19939, and 19966. Scholarship is awarded based on financial need.

Amount: \$8,000 (\$2,000/year for four years)

Contact: Scholarship Committee
The Quiet Resorts Charitable Foundation
PO Box 354
Bethany Beach, DE 19930
302-537-QRCF (537-7723)
www.qrcf.org

Ayn Rand *Atlas Shrugged* Essay Contest

Deadline: September 17, 2011

Eligibility: Entrants must be graduating high school seniors or college students and submit an essay of 800 to 1,600 words on one of three topics. Essays are judged on both style and content. Judges will look for writing that is clear, articulate, and logically organized. Winning essays must demonstrate an outstanding grasp of the philosophic meaning of *Atlas Shrugged*. The Ayn Rand Institute also sponsors an essay contest for students in the 8th, 9th, and 10th grades.

Award:

- First Prize: \$10,000
- 3 Second Prizes: \$2,000
- 5 Third Prizes: \$1,000
- 25 Finalists: \$100
- 50 Semifinalists: \$50

Contact: Guidelines are available online at www.aynrand.org.

Ayn Rand *The Fountainhead* Essay Contest

Deadline: April 26, 2012

Eligibility: Entrants must be in the 11th or 12th grade and submit an essay of 800 to 1,600 words on one of three topics. Essays are judged on both style and content. Judges will look for writing that is clear, articulate, and logically organized. Winning essays must demonstrate an outstanding grasp of the philosophic meaning of *The Fountainhead*. The Ayn Rand Institute also sponsors an essay contest for students in the 8th, 9th, and 10th grades.

Award:

- First Prize: \$10,000
- 5 Second Prizes: \$2,000
- 10 Third Prizes: \$1,000
- 45 Finalists: \$100
- 175 Semifinalists: \$50

Contact: Guidelines are available online at www.aynrand.org.

Ayn Rand *We the Living* Essay Contest

Deadline: May 5, 2012

Eligibility: Entrants must be in the 10th, 11th, or 12th grade and submit an essay of 700 to 1,500 words on one of three topics. Essays are judged on both style and content. Judges will look for writing that is clear, articulate, and logically organized. Winning essays must demonstrate an outstanding grasp of the philosophic meaning of *We the Living*. The Ayn Rand Institute also sponsors an essay contest for students in the 8th, 9th, and 10th grades.

Award:

- First Prize: \$3,000
- 5 Second Prizes: \$1,000
- 5 Third Prizes: \$300
- 25 Finalists: \$50
- 75 Semifinalists: \$25

Contact: Guidelines are available online at www.aynrand.org.

Rebekah Assembly of Delaware, Independent Order of Odd Fellows

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Any Delaware resident wishing to further their education at an accredited college.

Award: \$500 (up to 5 awards)

Contact: Judy Alexander
1 South Lunenburg Dr.
New Castle, DE 19720

Dolly Reed Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: March 15

Eligibility: Graduating high school seniors must have attended at least one year at Thurgood Marshall Elementary School in Newark, Delaware, which is located in the Christina School District. The student must also demonstrate good citizenship within school and community and have earned a 2.5 GPA.

Award: \$1,000

Contact: High school guidance counselor or:
Thurgood Marshall Elementary School
101 Barrett Run Rd.
Newark, DE 19702
302-454-4700
www.christina.k12.de.us/marshall under "PTA" information

A. Katharine Richards Scholarship

Deadline: April 30

Eligibility: Applicants must be high school seniors who are also residents of Sussex County, Delaware, who will be entering the University of Delaware. Applicants must have maintained a 3.0 GPA during the last two years of high school and must demonstrate financial need. Renewal is dependent upon the student submitting annually an official transcript showing that they have maintained a 3.0 GPA.

Award: Minimum award is \$500; maximum is \$2,000.

Contact: High school guidance office, or:
PNC Wealth Management
222 Delaware Ave., 18th Floor
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-429-1186

Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship Program

Deadline: Online application process begins in October

Eligibility: Applicants must:

- be a graduating, minority high school senior;
- plan to attend an accredited and approved four-year institution within the United States;
- show leadership potential;
- demonstrate a dedication to community service;
- present evidence of financial need;
- be a United States citizen;
- have a minimum SAT score of 1,000 combined on the math and critical reading sections or a composite ACT score of 21
- and not possess a degree from a two- or four-year college when applying for the scholarship.

Award: Up to \$7,500 per year to attend a four-year accredited college or university. JRF scholarships complement the financial aid students receive from their college or university for tuition and other education expenses (books, housing, etc.). Scholars are also financially sponsored to attend our annual four-day Scholar's Networking Weekend in New York City every spring during each of their college years.

Contact: Only online applications are accepted. Students can apply at www.jackierobinson.org.

John M. Roca Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Must be a senior at Cape Henlopen High School accepted at a four-year college or university aspiring to an undergraduate degree in agricultural and natural resource management, pre-veterinary medicine, art or related fields. Must have a GPA of 3.5 or better. Factors to be considered include academic performance (GPA and class rank), high school activities, SAT scores, volunteer activities, and teacher recommendation letters.

Award: \$1,250/year subject to verification that the student is enrolled full-time and in good standing. Award is intended to supplement, not replace, other scholarships or funding. Funds may be used for payment of tuition or books.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

The Rotary Club of Wilmington

Deadline: April 23, 2012

Eligibility: To be eligible for consideration, the applicant must be:

- A resident of New Castle County and a high school senior attending a public or private school in New Castle County
- Formally admitted to a public or private college or university for the upcoming academic year
- Proven financial need
- Solid academic achievement
- Involvement in extra-curricular activities
- A commitment to community service
- Good character as in the Four-Way Test: Is it the Truth? Is it Fair to all concerned? Will it build Goodwill and better friendships? Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?
- Sons and daughters of members of The Rotary Club of Wilmington are not eligible to apply

Award: Awards shall be made in such amounts as determined annually by The Rotary Club of Wilmington Board. Scholarships are potentially renewable each undergraduate year assuming the candidate has met the required qualifications. Annual award amounts may vary.

Contact: Application is available on website.
Sue Hastings
The Rotary Club of Wilmington
PO Box 685
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-655-6025
302-655-2871 (fax)
office@rotarywilmington.org
www.rotarywilmington.org

John J. Ryan Scholarship Fund

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Must be a senior at Caesar Rodney High School accepted at a college or university aspiring to a career in education or teaching. Must seek to improve the quality of life in our society through teaching ideals.

Award: \$1,000 one-time award to be paid in January after the successful completion of the student's first semester in college.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or:
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PO Box 1636
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302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Joseph B. Schafferman, Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund

Deadline: February 15, 2012

Eligibility: Must be member of General Teamsters Local Union 326, or a member's dependent child who is a high school senior. Must demonstrate scholastic ability, good character, and qualities of leadership, and be in the top 15% of high school graduating class. Must be in a degree-seeking program at a regionally accredited college. Non-academic or certificate programs are not eligible.

Award: Varies

Contact: Thomas J. Ventura, Sr.
333 Single Ave.
New Castle, DE 19720

Scholastic Art & Writing Awards

Deadline: Regional instructions and deadlines vary. Registration for the 2012 awards will begin in September 2011.

Eligibility: Young artists and writers currently enrolled in grades 7 to 12 at a public, private, parochial, or homeschool may submit work in a number of visual art and writing categories. Students initially submit their works to regional programs and can earn opportunities for recognition, exhibition, publication and scholarships. Works designated as Gold Keys on the regional level are forwarded for national-level review where they can earn Silver Medals and Gold Medals. Judges look for works that best exemplify originality, technical skill, and the emergence of an authentic voice and vision. Last year, over 50,000 students were recognized in their local communities and 2,700 students received national awards.

- Award:
- In addition to providing recognition to National Award-winning students, the Alliance presents 15 Portfolio Gold Awards in art and in writing in the amount of \$10,000 and 30 Silver Portfolio with Distinction Awards in the amount of \$1,000.
 - Through the Scholarship Partner Network, hundreds of National Award winners are eligible for nearly \$4 million in college scholarships at 60 schools and universities.

Contact: info@artandwriting.org
www.artandwriting.org

Siemens Competition in Math, Science & Technology

Deadline: Must register online prior to the project submission deadline of 5 p.m. ET on October 3, 2011.

Eligibility: Promotes excellence by encouraging students to undertake individual or team research projects in mathematics, science, engineering, and technology or in combinations of these disciplines. Open to high school students who are in good standing and are U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Students submitting individual projects must be enrolled as high school seniors who will graduate by September 1, 2012. Teams may have a total of two or three members and do not need to include a senior. Judging criteria include creativity, field knowledge, comprehensiveness, interpretation, literature review, scientific importance, future work, clarity of expression, and presentation. Funded by Siemens Foundation and administered by the College Board.

Award:	Individuals	Teams
Regional Finalists:	\$1,000	\$1,000/team member
Regional Winners:	\$3,000	\$6,000*
National Finalists:		
1st Place:	\$100,000	\$100,000*
2nd Place:	\$50,000	\$50,000*
3rd Place:	\$40,000	\$40,000*
4th Place:	\$30,000	\$30,000*
5th Place:	\$20,000	\$20,000*
6th Place:	\$10,000	\$10,000*

**divided equally among team members*

Contact: www.collegeboard.com/siemens

6th District Community Service Scholarship Award

Deadline: February 29, 2012

Eligibility: Graduating senior residing within the 6th District of the City of Wilmington, pursuing postsecondary education. Special consideration will be given to those who enter undergraduate programs in social service, education, or the humanities. Recipient must sign a letter of intent to perform a community service project with the 6th District by August 15 during the year in which the award is received.

Award: \$1,000 minimum

Contact: High school guidance counselor, or:
6th District Community Service Scholarship Award
Attn: Rachel Kane
c/o Fraim Boys & Girls Club
669 S. Union St..
Wilmington, DE 19805
302-655-4591

John A. & Marion B. Smitheman Fund

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Must be a Kent County public school senior planning to study engineering at a Delaware institution.

Award: \$8,000 to be paid in four equal installments of \$2,000 over a four-year period. Recipients will be reviewed annually and must maintain a 2.8 cumulative GPA. Transcripts should be sent to the Delaware Community Foundation by the school.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) Delmarva Post

Deadline: March 31

Eligibility: High school seniors or others that will be first-year freshmen from the Delmarva area accepted into the engineering program of a four-year, ABET-accredited college. Military affiliation not required.

Award: Varies (two one-time awards of \$1,000 is typical)

Contact: SAME, Delmarva Post
Scholarship Award Selection Committee
Attn: Alan K. Marteney, P.E.
c/o Century Engineering, Inc.
4134 N. DuPont Hwy.
Dover, DE 19901
302-734-9188
302-734-4589 (fax)
amarteney@centuryeng.com

Society of Hispanic Engineers Foundation Scholarship Program

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Merit-based and need-based scholarships are awarded to deserving Latino/a high school graduating seniors, undergraduate students, and graduate students who demonstrate both significant motivation and aptitude for a career in science, technology, engineering or mathematics. U.S. citizenship is not required. Applicants must:

- be of Hispanic-descent.
- be accepted into or attending an accredited 2-year or 4-year college or university in the United States or Puerto Rico.
- be enrolled full-time during the academic year.
- be graduating from an accredited U.S. high school with a diploma, if you are a high school graduating senior.
- have a minimum GPA of 3.00 on a 4.0 for high school seniors and undergraduates; 3.25 for graduate students.
- major in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, or a related field.
- be pursuing your first bachelors, masters or doctoral degree.

Award: \$1,000 to \$5,000

Contact: www.shpefoundation.org

Society of Plastics Engineers Foundation Scholarship Program

Deadline: February 15, 2012

Eligibility: Must have a demonstrated or expressed interest in the plastics industry and be majoring in or taking courses that are beneficial to a career in the plastics/polymer industry. This includes, but is not limited to, plastics engineering, polymer science, chemistry, physics, chemical engineering, mechanical engineering, and industrial engineering. Must be in good academic standing and a full-time undergraduate in either a four-year college or a two-year technical program. Financial need will be considered for most scholarships.

Award: Multiple scholarships that range up to \$4,000/year. Scholarships are awarded for one year only, but recipients may apply for a re-award for up to three additional years.

Contact: info@4spe.org
www.4spe.org/spe-foundation

Society of Women Engineers Scholarship Program

Deadline: Application for freshman is typically available March 1 through May 15; for sophomores through graduate students, December 1 through February 15.

Eligibility: Provides financial assistance to women admitted to an ABET-accredited baccalaureate or graduate program in preparation for a career in engineering, engineering technology, and computer science. Various scholarships with specific requirements.

Award: \$1,000 to \$10,000 (In fiscal year 2010, SWE disbursed more than 170 new and renewed scholarships valued at almost \$500,000.)

Contact: scholarshipapplication@swe.org
societyofwomenengineers.swe.org

Margaret A. Stafford Nursing Scholarship

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Must be a resident of Delaware who has been accepted into an accredited college or university's nursing program. Must be initiating or furthering nursing training. It is not required that applicants attend a Delaware college or university. It is expected that all recipients will seek to improve the quality of healthcare in our society through nursing practices that ensure that patients are a priority.

Award: One-time scholarship. Amount to be awarded annually is at the discretion of the Delaware Community Foundation and based on current value of the scholarship fund.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or: Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Margaret S. Sterck Scholarship

Deadline: June 1

Eligibility: Must be a Delaware resident and full-time undergraduate student at the University of Delaware with a communicative disability. (A communicative disability is defined as deafness, hard of hearing, or speech impairment, or combination thereof.) Students are required to file a financial aid application (FAFSA) annually to determine financial need. The scholarship is awarded on the basis of financial need and disability. Student must have documentation to support disability. If there are more than two scholarship candidates, individuals with hearing impairments will be given preference.

Award: \$2,500/year (two scholarships)

Contact: Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid
University of Delaware
Newark, DE 19716
302-831-8081
finaid@udel.edu

Evelyn E. Stricklin Scholarship

Deadline: April 30

Eligibility: Applicants must be residents of the State of Delaware, graduating from a high school located in Delaware, and entering the University of Delaware.

Awards: Amounts and number vary at the discretion of the Selection Committee.

Contact: High school guidance office, or:
PNC Wealth Management
222 Delaware Ave., 18th Floor
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-429-1186

Swiss Benevolent Society of New York Pellegrini Scholarships

Deadline: March 31

Eligibility: Partial tuition grants awarded at the postsecondary school level for vocational or undergraduate and graduate academic studies at an accredited school. Based on need and merit (minimum GPA of 3.0) or on merit alone. For a full undergraduate scholarship, applicant must demonstrate financial need. Applicant or one of his or her parents must be a Swiss national. Must be permanently domiciled in New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, or Delaware. Must be in good academic standing and show aptitude in chosen field of study. Does not renew automatically, but may be applied for each year.

Contact: Applications available online or by written request, which must be received by January 31:
Scholarship Committee
Swiss Benevolent Society of New York
500 Fifth Ave., Rm. 1800
New York, NY 10110
www.sbsny.org

Trinidad & Tobago Cultural Association of Delaware (TTCAD) Scholarship

Deadline: July 31, 2012

Eligibility: Applicants must be Delaware residents of Caribbean descent. They must be high school graduates (minimum GPA of 3.0) with proof of acceptance into an accredited university/college for fall 2012 semester. Scholarship application, which is available on TTCAD's website, must be accompanied by: (1) an essay (minimum of 500 words) on one of the topics listed on TTCAD's website (scholarship application section), and (2) a letter of recommendation showing character and eligibility. In addition, applicants must attend interviews with TTCAD scholarship panelists. Winning applicants must attend TTCAD's award ceremony held on the last Saturday of September 2012.

Award: Up to one or more scholarships of \$1,000 to \$2,000 each

Contact: Trinidad & Tobago Cultural Association of Delaware
PO Box 5685
Newark, De 19714
302-239-8319
ttculturede@yahoo.com
www.ttcad.org

United Negro College Fund

Deadline: Varies

Eligibility: UNCF awards scholarships to undergraduate and graduate students attending UNCF member schools and other schools across the country. Each program has its own eligibility criteria, open/close dates, and required documents. Students can search online for all scholarship programs that are administered by UNCF.

Award: Varies

Contact: www.uncf.org

United States Air Force Aid Society General Henry H. Arnold Education Grant Program

Deadline: Applications for the 2012-2013 academic year will be available beginning November 1, 2011.

Eligibility: Dependent sons and daughters of Air Force members on active duty, retired, or deceased while on active duty or in retired status (see website for complete details). Must be a high school graduate enrolled or accepted as a full-time undergraduate student in the 2012-13 academic year at an accredited college, university, or vocational/trade school approved by the U.S. Department of Education for participation in federal aid programs. Must maintain at least a cumulative 2.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale.

Award: \$2,000 for tuition, books, fees, or other curriculum-required expenses; must reapply annually

Contact: www.afas.org

United States Air Force ROTC

Deadline: December 1 of senior year

Eligibility: High school seniors and students who have not yet enrolled in college full-time. Must be planning to attend a bachelor's degree program full-time, meet specific academic requirements listed online at www.afrotc.com, and demonstrate leadership potential.

Award: Four-year scholarships for up to full tuition. Scholarships include book stipend plus a monthly tax-free allowance starting at \$300/month. Additionally, many universities offer additional scholarship incentives and supplements. Check with individual college of interest for more information on incentives and supplements. Note: Two- and three-year scholarship opportunities are also available for students currently enrolled in a full-time bachelor's degree program.

Contact: Air Force ROTC Detachment 128
University of Delaware
314 Wyoming Rd., Newark, DE 19716-3160
302-831-2863
www.udel.edu/afrotc
www.afrotc.com

United States Army ROTC

Deadline: January 10, 2012

Eligibility: High school senior or currently enrolled college student; U.S. citizen; good academic standing (minimum 2.5 GPA and 920 SAT or 21 ACT) and extracurricular activity record; and physically fit and healthy.

Award: Full tuition and fees, not to include housing. Scholarships available in four-year, three-year, and two-year packages and include a monthly stipend between \$300 and \$500 and \$1,200/year for books. Additional merit- and need-based housing assistance available for University of Delaware Army ROTC **participants** (they do not have to be scholarship winners).

Contact: Department of Military Science
Attn: Captain Noel Milian
University of Delaware Army ROTC Department
314 Wyoming Rd., Newark, DE 19716
302-831-8213 or 800-830-ROTC
army-rotc@udel.edu
www.udel.edu/armyrotc
www.armyrotc.com

United States Army Emergency Relief, MG James Ursano Scholarship Program for Dependent Children

Eligibility: Dependents of Army soldiers on federal active duty, retired, or deceased while on active duty or after retirement. Must be under the age of 23 and unmarried for the entire academic year. Must be registered in DEERS. Must enroll full-time at a school accredited by the U.S. Department of Education and maintain a GPA of 2.0 on a 4.0 scale. Based on financial need, academics, and leadership/achievement.

Award: Scholarship funds may be used for tuition, fees, books, supplies, and school room and board either on or off campus at the student's request. Continuing students must reapply annually.

Contact: Army Emergency Relief
MG James Ursano Scholarship Fund
200 Stovall St.
Alexandria, VA 22332-0600
education@aerhq.org
www.aerhq.org

United States Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation

Eligibility: Sons and daughters of active duty, reserve, veteran, or deceased U.S. Marines who are high school graduates or undergraduates studying for a first bachelor's degree, associate degree, or technical certificate at an accredited college or vocational/ technical institution. Must have at least a 2.0 GPA. Maximum family adjusted gross income for 2010 was \$86,000 (increased if applicant's sibling also applied). Awards are based on family financial situation, academic performance, extracurricular activities, jobs held, the military service record of the Marine parent and any additional circumstances which the applicant submits for consideration. Special consideration is given to applicants whose parents were wounded or killed in the line of duty. There is also a program with limited eligibility for grandchildren.

Award: • Scholarships start at \$1,500/year. Current recipients must reapply each year and are limited to a total of four awards.
• Heroes Tribute Scholarships provide up to \$30,000 over four years to students who are the children of Marines, and of former Marines, who were killed in the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001 or the children of Marines, and Navy Corpsmen serving with them, killed in combat since September 11, 2001.

Contact: 800-292-7777
students@mcsf.org
www.mcsf.org

United States Military Academies

Service academies provide full scholarships, four-year degrees, and guaranteed jobs as commissioned officers upon graduation. Appointments are very competitive. Information about admissions to the service academies is available online.

U.S. Air Force

www.usafa.af.mil

U.S. Army

www.usma.edu

U.S. Coast Guard

www.cga.edu

U.S. Merchant Marines

www.usmma.edu

U.S. Navy & Marines

www.usna.edu

United States Naval ROTC

Eligibility: High school graduates (or students with equivalency certificates) who are 17 or older, U.S. citizens, and meet academic and physical requirements.

Award: Two- and four-year scholarships that provide full tuition and fees; a stipend for textbooks; and a monthly subsistence allowance. Participating college or universities are listed on the website. Students may apply for only one of the three scholarship program options: Navy, Marine Corps, or Nurse.

Contact: 1-800-NAV-ROTC
https://www.nrotc.navy.mil

United States Senate Youth Program

Deadline: October 2011 for Delaware

Eligibility: Brings two high school students from each state to Washington, DC, for one week to observe the federal government in action and meet key officials. Students visit Capitol Hill, the White House, State Department, Supreme Court, the Pentagon, and Washington landmarks. Delegates must be elected student officers or school representatives, selected by education officials in each state.

Award: Each student receives a \$5,000 college scholarship award.
Contact: High school guidance counselor or www.ussenateyouth.org

Vantagepoint Public Employee Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: Applications accepted annually December 15 to March 15

Eligibility: Children and spouses of local and state government employees who have died in the line of duty. Must attend or plan to attend school full-time at an accredited two- to four-year college, university, or vocational school. Recipients are selected based on academic record; demonstrated leadership and participation in school and community activities; honors; work experience; statement of goals and aspirations; and financial need.

Award: Individuals may reapply for the scholarship, but may only receive a maximum of \$10,000 over their academic career.

Contact: Application available online at www.vantagescholar.org.

Voice of Democracy Audio Essay Contest

Deadline: November 1, 2011

Eligibility: Annual audio essay contest that is designed to foster patriotism by giving students in grades 9 through 12 the opportunity to voice their opinion in a 3- to 5-minute original essay on the 2011–12 theme, "Is There Pride in Serving in Our Military?" Audio essays are judged on originality, content, and delivery. Complete competition rules available online at www.vfw.org/Community/Voice-of-Democracy.

Award: Prizes and scholarships are awarded at the local, district, state, and national level. State winners receive an all-expense paid trip to Washington, DC, March 3-7, 2012, to tour the city, meet our nation's leaders, be honored by the VFW and its Ladies Auxiliary, and receive their portion of \$151,000 in national awards. The top scholarship is \$30,000.

Contact: Entries must be sponsored by a VFW post. To find a participating VFW Post in your area, call (816) 968-1117, send an email to kharmer@vfw.org or visit www.vfw.org.

Wal-Mart Foundation Scholarships

Eligibility: The Walmart Foundation offers three scholarship programs and also administers the Walton Family Foundation Scholarship on behalf of the Walton Family Foundation. All applicants must be U.S. citizens or Permanent Legal Residents of the U.S.

- The **Sam Walton Community Scholarship** is a \$3,000 college scholarship for graduating seniors who are not associates or dependents of associates of any division of Walmart and who have at least a 2.5 cumulative GPA and a demonstrated financial need.
- The **Walmart Associate Scholarship** (formerly Higher Reach Scholarship) is a \$3,000 college scholarship for associates of any division of Walmart with a demonstrated financial need.
- The **Walmart Dependent Scholarship** (formerly Walmart Associate Scholarship) is a \$3,000 college scholarship for dependents of any division of Walmart associates with a demonstrated financial need.
- The **Walton Family Foundation Scholarship** is a \$13,000 scholarship paid out over four years. Applicants must be dependents of Walmart and Sam's Club associates, have at least a 22 ACT or 1030 SAT (Critical Reading + Mathematics) score, and demonstrated financial need.

Contact: See website for complete eligibility requirements. <http://walmartstores.com/CommunityGiving/8736.aspx>

Washington Crossing Foundation Annual National Scholarship

Deadline: January 15, 2012

Eligibility: Competition open to all high school seniors who are U. S. citizens and are planning careers of service to the United States in local, state, or federal government. Must write a one-page essay not to exceed 300 words stating why you are planning a career in government service, including any inspiration to be derived from the leadership of George Washington in his famous crossing of the Delaware. Judging based on understanding of career requirements, purpose in choice of a career, preparation for such a career, qualities of leadership exhibited, sincerity, and historical perspective.

Award: \$500 to \$5,000 for students planning careers in government service, for study at the college of the recipient's choice. Other awards in amounts as the judges may determine. Entrants receiving full four-year tuition scholarships shall only be eligible for one-year special awards.

Contact: Application instructions are available online at www.gwcf.org.

WGMD Scholar/Athlete Award

Deadline: March 31

Eligibility: Each high school in Sussex County nominates one male and one female who have participated in sports and have other scholastic and civic achievements.

- Award:
- \$1,500 scholarship (two awards)
 - \$250 scholarship each nominee (up to 26)

Contact: High school guidance counselor

Wilmington Gateway Lions Club

Deadline: March 12, 2012

Eligibility: Resident of the City of Wilmington. Must provide proof of acceptance to a college or university and maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5.

Award: Two scholarships of \$500

Contact: Ms. Doris Broadwater
Wilmington Gateway Lions Club
832 East 17th St.
Wilmington, DE 19802
302-656-0307
dbroadwater78@comcast.net

John Wriston Writing Prize

Deadline: Varies (late winter, early spring)

Eligibility: High school juniors and seniors who either live in the Christina School District or who attend a school in the Christina School District. One prize awarded for winning essay. Essay topic changes each year and is announced in the fall.

Award: \$1,000

Contact: Friends of the Newark Free Library
750 Library Ave.
Newark, DE 19711
302-731-7550
302-731-4019 (fax)

Xerox Technical Minority Scholarship

Deadline: September 30

Eligibility: Provides financial support to minority students enrolled full-time in a technical or engineering degree program at the bachelor's level or above.

Award: \$1,000 to \$10,000

Contact: For more information and an application please visit our web site at www.studentcareers-xerox-com.tmpqa.com and follow the steps below:

- Select "Why Xerox;" the drop down will show "Minority Scholarship" and "Minority Scholarship FAQ's"
- Download application form, cover letter, and sample resume

X-traordinary Women "Colinthia Gosa" Scholarship

Deadline: April 23, 2012

Eligibility: Applicant must be a female minority senior in good standing (both at the time of submission and the time of the award) at Dover High School or Howard High School of Technology. Must have completed and received full credit for a recognized course of study directly or indirectly associated with business studies (typing, shorthand, accounting, etc.). Must have a minimum overall GPA of 3.0 on a scale of 4.0.

Award: \$500 scholarship to one student at each school

Contact: Nicole Simmons Brittingham
X-traordinary Women, Association
26 Fox Hunt Dr., PMB 204
Bear, DE 19701
302-420-3700

Youth Opportunity Scholarship Fund

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Potential recipient will have experienced a chronic illness, which lasted at least six months and has impaired the individual's ability to pursue his or her education. Students or former students at any school in the State of Delaware will be eligible. Preference will be given to those then or previously enrolled in the First State School (presently part of the Red Clay School District), and any branches of the First State School.

Award: Type and amount of aid shall be at the discretion of the Board of Directors of the Delaware Community Foundation.

Contact: Application may be downloaded at www.delcf.org. For more information, please contact your guidance counselor or:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

**Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated
Epsilon Rho Zeta Chapter Scholarship**

Deadline: February 1, 2012

Eligibility: The Epsilon Rho Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. is seeking graduating high school seniors for scholarship awards. The purpose of the scholarship is to assist graduating high school seniors in obtaining a college education and to promote Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. This scholarship targets under-represented minority students (African-Americans, Latinos, and Native Americans) who are currently high school seniors in New Castle County, Delaware. It is particularly aimed at African-American females. Applicants must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale and must be accepted at a college or university granting a four-year degree.

Award: \$1,000, nonrenewable

Contact: To download an application, visit www.zphib1920epz.org. For additional information, contact:
Director of Scholarship Programs
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc, Epsilon Rho Zeta Chapter
PO Box 84
Bear, DE 19701
scholarship@zphib1920epz.org.

Section 4:

Delaware

Financial Aid Programs

Unless otherwise noted, the programs in this section are funded by the State of Delaware, administered by the Delaware Higher Education Office (DHEO), and require **Delaware residency** and U.S. citizenship or eligible non-citizenship status. If you have any questions about state-sponsored aid, please contact:

Delaware Higher Education Office

Carvel State Office Bldg., 820 N. French St., Wilmington, DE 19801
302-577-5240 / dtheo@doe.k12.de.us

Effective November 1, 2011, contact us at:

John G. Townsend Building, 401 Federal St., Dover, DE 19901
302-735-4120 / dtheo@doe.k12.de.us

Additional information about these awards can be found online at www.doe.k12.de.us/dtheo.

How to apply:

Students can **apply online** for most of the programs administered by DHEO. The **Common Merit Application**—required for all academic scholarships and professional incentive programs—will be available online in December. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**FAFSA**) is your application for the state's need-based grant, the Scholarship Incentive Program (**ScIP**).

1. Create your account.

First-time applicants can set up their student account at any time by simply clicking on the "Student Account Access" link at www.doe.k12.de.us/dtheo, then selecting "Click here to create your student account." **Note:** You may already have an account if you are a Michael C. Ferguson Achievement Award recipient.

2. Now you can:

- apply for academic merit scholarships and professional incentive programs by completing the **Common Merit Application**.
- apply for four private scholarships administered by DHEO (listed in Section 3 on pages 30, 34, and 44).
- submit or change your 2012–13 college enrollment information, which is required for all state-sponsored awards.
- update your contact information, change your password, or check the status of your applications at any time.

3. Before you begin an application, carefully read the instructions. You may have to:

- list your activities,
- write an essay,
- verify your GPA,
- complete the FAFSA prior to the application deadline, and/or
- provide other information specific to the award.

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP FOR IN-STATE AND OUT-OF-STATE COLLEGES

Merit-based award for high school seniors—not repaid

Diamond State Scholarship

Deadline: Common Merit Application must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 22, 2012.

- Eligibility:
- High school seniors who rank in upper quarter of class
 - Combined score of 1800 on the SAT
 - Enroll full-time at a nonprofit, regionally accredited college

Award: \$1,250/year. Renewable for up to three additional years with a cumulative GPA of 3.0. Approximately 50 awards/year.

ACADEMIC MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR PUBLIC COLLEGES IN DELAWARE

Merit-based awards for high school seniors—not repaid

B. Bradford Barnes Memorial Scholarship

In honor of the former Speaker of the State House of Representatives

Deadline: Common Merit Application must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, February 2, 2012. Must file Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**FAFSA**) prior to application deadline.

- Eligibility:
- High school seniors who rank in upper quarter of class
 - Combined score of 1800 on the SAT
 - Enroll full-time at the University of Delaware

Award: Full tuition, fees, room, board, and books at the University of Delaware. Renewable for up to three additional years with a cumulative GPA of 3.0. One award/year.

Charles L. Hebner Memorial Scholarship

In honor of the former Speaker of the State House of Representatives

Deadline: Common Merit Application must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 8, 2012. Must file Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**FAFSA**) prior to application deadline.

- Eligibility:
- High school seniors who rank in upper half of class
 - Combined score of 1350 on the SAT
 - Enroll full-time at the University of Delaware or Delaware State University and major in the humanities or social sciences (**preference given to political science majors**).

Award: Full tuition, fees, room, board, and books at the University of Delaware or Delaware State University. Renewable for up to three additional years with a cumulative GPA of 3.0. One award/year/school.

Herman M. Holloway, Sr. Memorial Scholarship

In honor of the first African-American State Senator in Delaware

Deadline: Common Merit Application must be submitted by 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 8, 2012. Must file Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**FAFSA**) prior to application deadline.

- Eligibility:
- High school seniors who rank in upper half of class
 - Combined score of 1350 on the SAT
 - Enroll full-time at Delaware State University

Award: Full tuition, fees, room, board, and books at Delaware State University. Renewable for up to three additional years with a cumulative GPA of 3.0. One award/year.

UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE GRANTS

Need-based awards—not repaid

Scholarship Incentive Program (SciP)

Deadline: The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**FAFSA**) is your application for SciP. To be considered for a grant, your FAFSA must be received by the federal processor by **April 15 each year**. Students meeting the April 15 deadline will be notified of **additional deadlines** to submit enrollment information and GPA verification. **NOTE:** If you provide your email address on your FAFSA, subsequent enrollment and GPA requests will be sent to that email address. To avoid delivery problems, add **Delaware_Scholarships@doe.k12.de.us** to your address book or “safe list.”

- Eligibility:**
- Demonstrate substantial financial need, as determined using the FAFSA
 - Enroll full-time in an undergraduate degree program at a nonprofit, regionally accredited college in Delaware or Pennsylvania, **OR** enroll full-time at a nonprofit, regionally accredited college in an undergraduate or graduate degree program that is not offered at a public college in Delaware.
 - Have a minimum cumulative, unweighted GPA of 2.5

- Restrictions:**
- Certificate programs are **not** eligible.
 - Graduate students attending a public college in Delaware are **not** eligible.

Award: Awards will be made after July 1. Not to exceed tuition, fees, and other direct educational expenses, excluding summer terms. Eligible graduate students receive \$1,000/year. Eligible undergraduates receive \$700 to \$2,200/year, based on GPA:

GPA Range	Need Base	Merit Increase	Total
3.75–4.0	\$700	\$1,500	\$2,200
3.50–3.74	\$700	\$1,200	\$1,900
3.25–3.49	\$700	\$900	\$1,600
3.00–3.24	\$700	\$600	\$1,300
2.75–2.99	\$700	\$300	\$1,000
2.50–2.74	\$700	0	\$700

Governor’s Education Grant for Working Adults

Funded by the Delaware Economic Development Office (DEDO)

Deadline: Application can be downloaded at www.doe.k12.de.us/dheo and may be submitted through the close of the term or conclusion of the training program for which it is intended. Grants are nonrenewable. **You must reapply each term.**

Eligibility: Assists under-employed working adult students seeking to acquire new or enhanced skills that will permit them to increase their earning potential in present or future employment. You must be 18 or older and a high school graduate or GED recipient. Applicants must meet all of the enrollment, employment, and income eligibility requirements that are listed online at www.doe.k12.de.us/dheo.

Award: Grant pays 65% of tuition and fees up to a maximum of \$2,000/year. Participating colleges and adult education centers reduce tuition by 10%.

Educational Benefits for Children of Deceased Veterans and Others

Deadline: Application can be downloaded at www.doe.k12.de.us/dheo and is due at least four weeks before classes begin.

Eligibility: Must be between the ages of 16 and 24 and have been a resident of Delaware for three or more consecutive years prior to the date of application. If applicant's parent was a member of the armed forces, the parent must have been a resident of Delaware at the time of death or declaration of missing in action or prisoner of war status. Must be the child of one of the following: **(1)** member of the armed forces whose cause of death was service-related; who is being held or was held as a prisoner of war; or who is officially declared missing in action; **(2)** state police officer whose cause of death was service-related; or **(3)** state employee of the Department of Transportation routinely employed in job-related activities upon the state highway system whose cause of death was job-related.

Award: Limited to four years and will not exceed tuition and fees per academic year at a Delaware public college; **or** a Delaware private college, if applicant’s program of study is unavailable at a Delaware public college; **or** an out-of-state public or private college, if there is no institution in Delaware offering the program of study. Prorated for eligible students who choose to attend an institution that is out of this sequence.

SUNY Maritime College Partnership

Institutional tuition-savings agreement

Deadline: Determined by the college

Eligibility: Delaware residents who are accepted to an undergraduate program of study at the State University of New York (SUNY) Maritime College.

Award: In-region tuition. A separate application is not required to receive the tuition savings.

Contact: Admissions: 718-409-7221
admissions@sunymaritime.edu
www.sunymaritime.edu

Michael C. Ferguson Achievement Award

Scholarships for Delaware eighth- and tenth-grade students

The **Michael C. Ferguson Achievement Award** is named in honor of the former Deputy Superintendent and Acting Superintendent of the State Department of Public Instruction (now Department of Education) and former State Budget Director. Up to 150 eighth-grade and 150 tenth-grade students who demonstrate **superior performance** on the Delaware Comprehensive Assessment System (**DCAS**) in **reading and mathematics** will be awarded **\$1,000 scholarships** annually. Half of the scholarships in each class will be awarded to students who participate in the free and reduced lunch program.

If you plan to enroll at Delaware Tech or in the University of Delaware’s Associate in Arts program, turn to page 30 to learn about the

DELAWARE SEED SCHOLARSHIP.

If you plan to enroll at Delaware State University, turn to page 37 to see if you are eligible for the new

INSPIRE SCHOLARSHIP.

UNDERGRADUATE PROFESSIONAL INCENTIVE PROGRAMS

Merit-based recruitment programs—loan forgiveness provisions for qualified state employment

Christa McAuliffe Teacher Incentive Program

Deadline: Priority deadline to submit the Common Merit Application is 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 22, 2012. Applicants who apply after the priority deadline will be considered to the extent that funding is available.

Eligibility:

- Full-time students enrolled at a Delaware college in an undergraduate program leading to teacher certification.
- High school seniors must rank in upper half of class and have a combined score of 1570 on the SAT.
- Undergraduates must have at least a 2.75 cumulative GPA.
- Awards may be provided for programs of study not available in Delaware or prorated for part-time students.
- Preference is given to applicants planning to teach in a critical need area as defined by the Delaware Department of Education.

Award: Loan not to exceed cost of tuition, fees, and other direct educational expenses. Renewable for up to three additional years with a cumulative GPA of 2.75. Loan forgiveness provision at a rate of one year of teaching in a Delaware public school for one year of loan.

Delaware Nursing Incentive Program

Deadline: Priority deadline to submit the Common Merit Application is 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 22, 2012. Applicants who apply after the priority deadline will be considered to the extent that funding is available.

Eligibility:

- Full-time students enrolled in an accredited program leading to certification as an RN or LPN.
- High school seniors must rank in upper half of class with at least a 2.5 cumulative, unweighted GPA.
- Undergraduates must have at least a cumulative 2.5 GPA.
- Current state employees do not have to be Delaware residents and may be considered for prorated awards if enrolled part-time.
- RNs with five or more years of state service may enroll in a BSN program on a full- or part-time basis.

Award: Loan not to exceed cost of tuition, fees, and other direct educational expenses. Renewable for up to three additional years with a cumulative GPA of 2.75. Loan forgiveness provision at a rate of one year of employment at a state-owned hospital or clinic for one year of loan (Governor Bacon Health Center, Emily P. Bissell Hospital, Delaware Hospital for the Chronically Ill, Delaware Psychiatric Center, Delaware Veterans Home, or the Stockley Center).

UNDERGRADUATE & GRADUATE PROFESSIONAL INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Merit-based recruitment programs—loan forgiveness provisions for qualified state employment

Delaware Teacher Corps

Deadline: Priority deadline to submit the Common Merit Application is 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 22, 2012. Applicants who apply after the priority deadline will be considered to the extent that funding is available.

Eligibility:

- Full-time students enrolled at a Delaware public college in an undergraduate or graduate program leading to teacher certification in a critical need area as defined by the Delaware Department of Education.
- High school seniors must rank in upper half of class and have a combined score of 1570 on the SAT.
- All applicants must have at least a 2.75 cumulative GPA.
- Awards may be prorated for students enrolled part-time.
- First preference is given to students who intend to teach middle and high school math and science.
- Second priority is given to students who intend to teach special education in a content area.

Award: Loan not to exceed cost of tuition. Renewable for up to three additional years with a cumulative GPA of 2.75. Loan forgiveness provision at a rate of one year of teaching in a Delaware public school for one year of loan.

GRADUATE PROFESSIONAL INCENTIVE PROGRAMS

Merit-based recruitment programs—loan forgiveness provisions for qualified state employment

Ada Leigh Soles Memorial Professional Librarian and Archivist Incentive Program

Deadline: Priority deadline to submit the Common Merit Application is 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 22, 2012. Applicants who apply after the priority deadline will be considered to the extent that funding is available. Must file Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**FAFSA**) prior to application deadline.

Eligibility:

- Full- or part-time students in an ALA-accredited master's degree program of library and information science. Academic record, community service, and financial need are considered. Preference is given to employees of public libraries and archives. Loan forgiveness at a rate of two years of employment as a librarian or archivist in a public library, public school library, or a state agency in Delaware for one year of loan.
- Awards will also be considered for a course of study leading to a bachelor's degree or a doctoral degree for current employees who have worked at least two years at a Delaware public library, county department library, public school library, or state agency library or archive. Loan forgiveness provision at a rate of one year of qualifying employment for undergraduates and two years of qualifying employment for graduate students for one year of loan.

Award: Loan not to exceed cost of tuition, fees, and other direct educational expenses. Renewable up to three additional years for undergraduates, one additional year for graduate students.

Speech/Language Pathologist Incentive Program

Deadline: Priority deadline to submit the Common Merit Application is 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 22, 2012. Applicants who apply after the priority deadline will be considered to the extent that funding is available. Must file Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**FAFSA**) prior to application deadline.

Eligibility:

- Full-time students in a graduate program preparing them for a speech/language pathologist license.
- Employees of a Delaware public school or a provider of the Birth to 3 Early Intervention System program may enroll part-time. (See www.dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dms/epqc/birth3/directry.html.)
- Academic record, community service, and financial need are considered.

Award: Loan not to exceed cost of tuition, fees, and other direct educational expenses. Renewable for one additional year with a cumulative GPA of 3.0. Loan forgiveness provision at a rate of two years of employment as a licensed speech pathologist in a Delaware public school or a provider of the Birth to 3 Early Intervention System program for one year of loan.

Optometry Incentive Program

Deadline: Priority deadline to submit the Common Merit Application is 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 22, 2012. Applicants who apply after the priority deadline will be considered to the extent that funding is available.

Eligibility: Full-time students enrolled in a program preparing them for licensure as an optometrist in Delaware.

Award: Loan not to exceed cost of tuition, fees, and other direct educational expenses. Renewable for three additional years. Loan forgiveness provision at a rate of one year of employment as an optometrist in Delaware for one year of loan.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR TEACHERS

Financial assistance for professional development

Critical Need Scholarship

Deadline: 4:30 p.m. on January 20, 2012 for fall 2011 semester
4:30 p.m. on June 8, 2012 for spring 2012 semester

Eligibility:

- Full-time employees of a Delaware public or charter school who teach on a valid Emergency Certificate in a critical need area as defined by the Delaware Department of Education.
- Districts and charter schools will reimburse teachers for all or part of tuition and the registration fee paid for up to three credits/term (fall and spring) of coursework that will enable them to achieve Standard Certification.
- Recipients must complete course with a 2.0 GPA or higher on a 4.0 scale.
- Delaware residency is not required.
- Can attend any regionally accredited college.

Award: Reimbursement for up to the cost of three credits per term (fall and spring). If demand exceeds available funding, awards will be prorated.

Contact: School district or charter school of employment

Academic Common Market

Regional tuition-savings agreement

The Academic Common Market (**ACM**) is a tuition-savings agreement between **15 southern states** that are members of the Southern Regional Education Board (**SREB**). If your degree program is not offered at a public college in Delaware, you may be eligible for in-state tuition at a public college that participates in the ACM. To be **eligible** for the ACM, you must be:

1. a Delaware resident and U.S. citizen or eligible noncitizen whose degree program is not offered at Delaware State University or the University of Delaware, and
2. accepted into an eligible baccalaureate or graduate-level degree program selected for the ACM by a participating college. **Note: The ACM does not include first professional degree programs**, such as pharmacy, medicine, veterinary medicine, dentistry, optometry, or law.

The **15 participating states** are:

Alabama
Arkansas
Delaware
Florida (graduate-level programs only)
Georgia
Kentucky
Louisiana
Maryland
Mississippi
Oklahoma
South Carolina
Tennessee
Texas (graduate-level programs only)
Virginia
West Virginia

North Carolina, which previously participated at the graduate-level, will not be participating in the ACM for the 2012–13 academic year.

Programs offered in the ACM are selected by the participating public colleges and are **subject to change**. States and colleges may also set **restrictions** on ACM participation, such as undergraduate or graduate only enrollment; full-time enrollment; or the completion of specific coursework to enter the degree program.

You can **submit your ACM application** to the Delaware Higher Education Office (DHEO) **after** you have been accepted into an eligible degree program. As long as you remain continuously enrolled in the same program at the same school and make satisfactory academic progress, you do not have to reapply each year. Institutional requirements to retain ACM status may include full-time enrollment and maintaining a minimum GPA. **Deadlines** to accept ACM certifications are set by the institution.

Please contact DHEO if you have any questions or if your program is not currently offered in the ACM. The participating institutions will sometimes add a program upon request. To learn about eligible programs for Delaware residents or to download an application, visit www.doe.k12.de.us/dheo.

HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

Loan repayment recruitment program

Delaware State Loan Repayment Program for Health Professionals

Eligibility: The Delaware State Loan Repayment Program is designed to recruit and assist in the placement of health care providers in underserved areas, which have been identified by the Delaware Health Care Commission. Applications are currently being accepted from Primary Care Physicians (Family Medicine, Osteopathic Practitioners, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Obstetrics & Gynecology, General and Pediatric Psychiatry), Medical Oncologists, General Practice Dentists (DDS and DMD), Registered Clinical Dental Hygienists, Primary Care Certified Nurse Practitioners, Certified Nurse Midwives, Primary Care Physicians Assistants, Licensed Clinical Psychologists, Psychiatric Nurse Specialists, Licensed Clinical Social Workers, Licensed Professional Counselors of Mental Health, and Licensed Marriage & Family Therapists. See the website below for more information and program applications.

Award: Assists with repayment of outstanding government and commercial loans through service commitments of at least two years. Advanced-degree practitioners may be granted up to a maximum of \$70,000 for a two (2) year contract, or \$105,000 for a three (3) year contract. Mid-level practitioners may be granted up to a maximum of \$35,000 for a two (2) year contract, or \$52,500 for a three (3) year contract.

Contact: Delaware Health Care Commission
Margaret O'Neill Building, 3rd Floor
410 Federal St., Ste. 7
Dover, DE 19901
302-739-2730 (phone)
302-739-6927 (fax)
<http://dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dhcc/slrp.html>

MEDICINE

Reserved admissions

Delaware Institute for Medical Education and Research (DIMER)

Eligibility: DIMER provides an opportunity for Delaware residents to attend Jefferson Medical College (which reserves at least 20 admissions/year) or the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine (which reserves at least 5 admissions/year). Must be a legal resident of Delaware and meet the academic requirements of JMC or PCOM.

DENTISTRY

Reserved admissions

Delaware Institute for Dental Education and Research (DIDER)

Eligibility: A partnership between DIDER and the Maurice H. Kornberg School of Dentistry at Temple University guarantees admission to 5 qualified dental students from Delaware in each entering class. Must be a legal resident of Delaware and meet the academic requirements of Temple University.

VETERINARY MEDICINE

In-state tuition at participating colleges

Regional contract programs coordinated by the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB), funded through the Delaware Institute for Veterinary Medicine Education (DIVME), and administered by the Delaware Higher Education Office (DHEO)

- **Oklahoma State University College of Veterinary Medicine**
- **University of Georgia College of Veterinary Medicine**

Deadline: October 1

Award: Tuition at the in-state resident rate for up to one Delaware resident accepted to the OSU College of Veterinary Medicine and the UGA College of Veterinary Medicine in each entering class. Must meet and exceed applications of qualified in-state students to be considered for the program.

Contact: Information about each veterinary program is available online at www.cvhs.okstate.edu and www.vet.uga.edu. Apply through the Veterinary Medical College Application Service at www.aavmc.org. Delaware residents do not have to complete a separate application for the contract program, but will be required to verify state residency.

DELAWARE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

State professional association recruitment programs

Eligibility: DLA awards three scholarships to assist students enrolled in an ALA accredited masters degree program or a library certification program. These scholarships are named for three librarians who made lasting contributions to librarianship in Delaware: Grace Estelle Wheelless, Helen H. Bennett, and Charlesa Lowell.

Contact: Information available online at www2.lib.udel.edu/dla.

DELAWARE COLLEGE INVESTMENT PLAN

State-sponsored 529 college savings program

The Delaware College Investment Plan, Delaware's 529 Plan, is sponsored by the state of Delaware and managed by Fidelity Investments. It provides parents, grandparents, and others a tax-advantaged way to save for a child's college education. Any earnings grow tax deferred and qualified withdrawals are free from federal- and Delaware state-income taxes. The Delaware Plan offers two age-based investment options, six static portfolios, and individual fund portfolios. Withdrawals can be used to pay for qualified higher education expenses, including tuition, books, etc. at most accredited two- and four-year colleges and universities and vocational-technical schools nationwide, as well as many international institutions. To obtain an enrollment kit, visit www.fidelity.com/delaware or call the Wilmington Investor Center at 800-201-5380.

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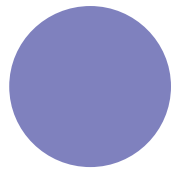
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