



## SCHOLARSHIP MATRIX

### October 2024

NAME	AMOUNT	GRADE	REQUIREMENTS	DEADLINE
Raise.me Micro-Scholarships	Varied Amounts	9-12	Discover colleges and earn scholarships for your academic and extracurricular achievements throughout high school. For more details visit: <a href="https://www.raise.me/">https://www.raise.me/</a>	9/15/24 and beyond
Positive Coaching Alliance Tampa Bay Triple Impact Competitor Scholarship Program	\$2,000	12	To be eligible, you must be a High School senior (graduating in 2025), have an unweighted GPA of 2.5 or higher, be a current resident of the U.S. (specifically within 120-mile radius of Tampa Bay), be a participant in individual or team sport sponsored by a school or local club.  To apply, please visit: <a href="#">Triple Impact Competitor Scholarship - Positive Coaching Alliance</a>	10/6/24
U.S. Senate Youth Program	\$10,000	11-12	Must be currently serving in an elected capacity in any of the following student government, civic, or educational organizations: A) student body or class president, vice-president, secretary, or treasurer, B) student council representative, C) student representative to a district, regional or state-level civic education organization; permanent residency in the U.S. & enrollment in a Florida public or private school; must participate in the Washington Week program. For more details and to apply visit: <a href="https://www.fldoe.org/civilliteracy/ussyp.stml">https://www.fldoe.org/civilliteracy/ussyp.stml</a>	10/1/24
2024 International High School Essay Contest Pi Iota Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc	Varies	12	The contest is open to all college-bound, high school seniors who submit an essay application through a Chapter of the Fraternity. The Pi Iota Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Incorporated Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce that we will be providing scholarship awards totaling up to \$1,500. <a href="https://www.piota.org/high-school-essay-contest">https://www.piota.org/high-school-essay-contest</a>	10/31/24
Florida A&M University 4-Year Presidential (Multiple) Scholarships	Varies	12	The Presidential Special Scholarship program is a merit scholarship for high school graduates. These individuals are diverse and have special talents outside of the classroom setting. The scholarship will cover fees associated with tuition, but minus the postal fee and the orientation fee or charges associated with room and board. Students are eligible to receive an award for a maximum of eight (8) semesters. For other qualifications visit: <a href="http://www.famu.edu/students/scholarships/index.php">http://www.famu.edu/students/scholarships/index.php</a>	10/15/24
Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Voice of Democracy Audio Essay Competition	\$1,000 - \$35,000	9-12	9-12 <sup>th</sup> grade permanent U.S. residents who are enrolled in a public, private or parochial high school or home study program; written and recorded essay (3-5 minutes). For more details and application submission information, please visit: <a href="http://www.vfw.org/VOD/">http://www.vfw.org/VOD/</a>	10/31/24
Annual High School Essay Contest Analyzing How Technology Has Affected Students' Understanding of the First Amendment	\$250 - \$2,000	9-12	The lawyers and judges of the United States District Court, Middle District of Florida, through the Middle District <a href="#">Bench Bar Fund</a> , and the <a href="#">Tampa Bay Chapter of the Federal Bar Association(link is external)</a> , invite high school students in grades 9-12 in Hardee, Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, and Sarasota Counties to participate in an essay contest analyzing how technology in school has affected students' understanding of the First Amendment. <a href="https://www.fimd.uscourts.gov">https://www.fimd.uscourts.gov</a>	10/30/24
The Elks National Foundation- The 2024 Most Valuable Student Scholarship	Ranging from \$1,000 per year to \$7,500 per year	12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Current high school seniors, or the equivalent, who are citizens of the United States are eligible to apply.</li> <li>• Applicants do not need to be related to a member of the Elks.</li> <li>• High school graduates are not eligible to apply.</li> <li>• Applicants must be citizens of the United States on the date their applications are signed; permanent legal resident status does not qualify.</li> </ul>	11/12/24

			<b>For more information and application, go to</b> <a href="https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/mvs.cfm">https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/mvs.cfm</a>	
<b>Dell Scholars Program</b>	\$20,000	12	The Dell Scholars program is a scholarship and college completion program that nurtures and empowers students on their path to a college degree. Since starting the program in 2004, the Michael & Susan Dell Foundation has supported 5,000 scholars, including more than 2,000 college graduates. See eligibility requirements and apply here: <a href="https://www.dellscholars.org/scholarship/">https://www.dellscholars.org/scholarship/</a>	<b>Application opens</b> 10/1/24  <b>Deadline is</b> 12/1/24
<b>Burger King Scholars</b>	\$1,000 to \$60,000	12	For employees, employee's spouses or domestic partners, employees' children and high school seniors in the United States, Puerto Rico, and Canada. Application opens Oct. 15 <sup>th</sup> . For requirements, more information and how to apply, visit: <a href="http://www.bkmciamorefoundation.org">www.bkmciamorefoundation.org</a>	<b>12/15/24</b>
<b>University of South Florida Foundation Scholarships</b>	Varied amounts	12	Please visit <a href="https://giving.usf.edu/about/scholarships">https://giving.usf.edu/about/scholarships</a> to view scholarships in detail and download the application.	<b>Varies</b>
<b>Hillsborough Community College</b>	Varied Amounts	12	See link below for specific scholarships <a href="https://www.hccfl.edu/paying-college/financial-aid-and-scholarships/scholarships-grants-and-work-study">https://www.hccfl.edu/paying-college/financial-aid-and-scholarships/scholarships-grants-and-work-study</a>	<b>Varies</b>
<b>University of Tampa</b>	Varied Amounts	12	See link below for specific scholarships <a href="http://www.ut.edu/financialaid/scholarshipsandgrants/">http://www.ut.edu/financialaid/scholarshipsandgrants/</a>	<b>Varies</b>
<b>College Board Opportunity Scholarship</b>	\$500-\$40,000	9-12	Build your college list for a chance to earn a \$500 scholarship, and you'll be eligible to win once you sign up for the program when it opens. Link for info: <a href="https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college/bigfuture-scholarships">https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college/bigfuture-scholarships</a> Explore colleges and start adding the ones you're interested into your list. You'll need to add six or more colleges to be eligible for the scholarship.	<b>On going</b>
<b>Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)</b>	Varied Amounts	12	Get help paying for college! Apply by clicking on the link below. See your counselor to assist you with this process. <a href="https://fafsa.gov/">https://fafsa.gov/</a>	<b>On going</b>
<b>Grand Chapter of Florida Order of the Eastern Star FL Eastern Star Grant Program</b>	Varied Amounts	12	Class of 2025 students must be accepted by a university, college, junior college, community college, or vocational institution. Link for info: <a href="http://floridaoes.org">Grand Chapter of Florida – Order of the Eastern Star (floridaoes.org)</a> (see scholarship information under "charities" tab)	<b>Varies</b>
<b>Spectrum Bay News 9 Project Weather Scholarship</b>	\$1,000	12	One qualified high school senior from each of our seven area counties: Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, and Polk will be awarded \$1,000. Project Weather Scholarship is granted as part of Spectrum Bay News 9's commitment to educating children about science and weather. <a href="https://baynews9.com/projectweather">https://baynews9.com/projectweather</a>	<b>1/14/25</b>
<b>JFK Library Profile in Courage Essay Contest</b>	Varies	9-12	The essay contest is open to students in grades 9-12. Employees of John Hancock Financial Services and members of their families are not eligible to participate. See website for additional essay contest requirements and how to enter: <a href="https://www.jfklibrary.org/learn/education/profile-in-courage-essay-contest/eligibility-and-requirements">https://www.jfklibrary.org/learn/education/profile-in-courage-essay-contest/eligibility-and-requirements</a>	<b>1/17/25</b>
<b>Mensa Foundation Scholarship</b>	Varies	12	The Mensa Foundation works to identify and foster human intelligence for the benefit of humanity and to encourage research into the nature, characteristics, and uses of intelligence.  Among the Mensa Foundation's major programs is its scholarship program, which annually gives over 100 awards based on the merit of a short essay submission. Essays are submitted online, at <a href="https://www.mensafoundation.org/what-we-do/scholarships/">https://www.mensafoundation.org/what-we-do/scholarships/</a> no later than January 15 <sup>th</sup> .	<b>1/15/25</b>
<b>JCI Senate Scholarship</b>	\$1,500	12	Each year, the U.S. Junior Chamber International (JCI) Senate Foundation grants \$1,500 scholarships to graduating high school seniors who plan to continue their education at accredited post-secondary colleges, universities or vocational schools. The number of grants awarded annually is at the discretion of the Foundation and must be used for educational expenses in the first year of full-time study. Checks awarded will be made out in the name of the recipient and the educational institution of the recipient's choice. Application: <a href="http://usjcisenate.org/index.php/scholarship-program">http://usjcisenate.org/index.php/scholarship-program</a>	<b>1/15/25</b>

Florida Bright Futures	Varied Amounts	12	For specific requirements and application visit: <a href="http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org">http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org</a>	8/31/25
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### **Other scholarship opportunities and resources:**

- **Scholly** – A mobile app that provides students with a fast and simple way to find scholarships for college. (Created by Christopher Gray, a Coca-Cola Scholar!)
- **Fastweb** – Create a profile and let Fastweb do the research on scholarships, internships colleges and more for you.
- **Cappex** – A free website where you can learn which colleges want you, before you apply and learn about more than \$11 billion in merit aid scholarships.
- **Scholarship America** – Provides information and resources for your scholarship search.
- **HS Finder (Hispanic Scholarship Fund)** – Scholarship information for Latino students.
- **Thurgood Marshall College Fund** – Provides scholarships, programmatic and capacity building support to the 47 public Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs).
- **Gates Millennium Scholars** – Provides outstanding low income African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American, and Hispanic American students with an opportunity to complete an undergraduate college education in any discipline they choose.
- **Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund** – The nation’s largest non-profit organization devoted to providing college scholarships for Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI).
- **American Indian College Fund** – Provides Native American students with scholarships and financial support for the nation’s 33 accredited tribal colleges and universities.
- **UNCF** – Awards 10,000 students each year through 400 scholarship and internship programs so that students from low- and moderate-income families can afford college tuition, books and room and board.
- **Reagan Foundation Scholarships** - Scholarship opportunities for outstanding student leaders.
- **Goizueta Legacy Scholarship** - Provides scholarships for the children of Coca-Cola employees.
- **Native Forward Scholars Fund** - The largest scholarship providers to Native students in the United States, awarding \$15 million in scholarships annually and more than \$200 million since inception. For almost 50 years, AIGC has funded students pursuing undergraduate, graduate, and professional degrees in any field of study at any accredited institution of choice, working with over 500 tribes in all 50 states.
- **Cirkled In** – A secure, FREE platform for students to create an electronic portfolio showcasing their holistic skills and achievements to get discovered by colleges and increase success rate for applications. Enter to Win a \$2500 Scholarship by creating a free account on [www.cirkledin.com](http://www.cirkledin.com) and clicking the apply now button.