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**SCHOLARSHIPS
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Program SCHOLARSHIP	AMOUNT	CRITERIA	DEADLINE
ACF Visionary Scholarship Program	10 @ 2,500.00	Our Visionary Scholarship is a bi-annual award. There are five (5) awards given with each bi-annual deadline – with a total of ten (10) college scholarships awarded for each school year. Awards range from \$1,000 to \$2,500 each. High school Freshmen, Sophomores, Juniors, and Seniors who are US citizens or eligible non-citizens are invited to apply. Financial need is NOT considered; all income levels may apply. Application Requirements • Completed ACF Visionary Scholarship Application • Your Application Packet is pre-filled when you create a free account — submit online or by email. • Most Recent Unofficial High School Transcript or Grade Card • An unofficial copy of your current high school transcript or grade card is acceptable. • 500-Word Essay: "Why College is Important to Me" • A personal essay of approximately 500 words on this topic is required for all applicants. Award Terms & Selection • The ACF Scholarship Committee will determine, and has final say, on all award recipients. • Selected recipients agree that their application and award information — including essay, picture, name, state, high school grade level, and award amount — may be acknowledged on the American College Foundation website and associated materials. To apply, please visit: https://americancollegefoundation.org/college-planning-visionary-scholarship-details/	10/31/26
Regeneron Science Talent Search	(300) \$250,000.00	Unique among high school competitions, the Regeneron STS focuses on identifying, inspiring, and engaging the nation's most promising future leaders in STEM. Each year, around 2,600 students enter Regeneron STS,	11/5/26

		submitting original research in critically important scientific fields of study and full application for holistic review. \$3.1 million in awards are distributed annually, including the first-place prize of \$250,000. Regeneron Science Talent Search Regeneron STS is the nation's oldest and most prestigious science research competition for high school students. Started in 1942 as the Westinghouse Science Talent Search, Regeneron STS recognizes and empowers our nation's most promising young scientists who are developing ideas that could solve society's most urgent challenges. Each year, Regeneron STS scholars and finalists compete for \$3.1 million in awards. 2600: High school seniors from around the United States accept the challenge of conducting independent science, math or engineering research and completing an entry for the Regeneron STS annually. 300: The Regeneron STS recognizes 300 students as scholars and awards their schools each year. 40: Student finalists are invited to Washington, D.C. to participate in final judging, display their work to the public and meet with notable scientists and government leaders. Alumni have made extraordinary contributions to science and have earned many of the world's most distinguished science and math honors, including: • 13 Nobel Prizes • 11 National Medals of Science • 2 Fields Medals Applications are only accepted through the online system and must be properly submitted by the application deadline. Regeneron STS identifies future leaders in science, and uses a holistic review process that includes many components. Requirements of the Application 1. Research Report Describing an original, independent research project that meets all eligibility requirements. Research conducted during any year of high school is eligible for Regeneron STS. View the guidelines for Research Reports 2. Recommendations	
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RonranGlee Literary Scholarship	(5 Awards) \$2,000.00	Close reading is an underappreciated, wonderful skill that offers unique insights into the world. Close reading is a very important tool for extracting the most out of one's college learning experience by being able to interpret the underlying meanings of texts. Looking beyond the surface and taking the time and energy to dive deeper is crucial in maximizing one's knowledge. This scholarship aims to support students who are pursuing higher education and making the most of their time through close reading. Any high school senior or two or four-year undergraduate student may apply for this scholarship. To apply, share a paragraph with us and write a short essay sharing your understanding of the underlying meaning. To apply, please visit: https://bold.org/scholarships/ronran-glee-literary-scholarship/#ref=best-scholarships	12/26/26

Aspiring Legacy Scholarship	(2 Awards) \$1,000.00	Students interested in careers such as teaching, law enforcement, and public health are not only badly needed, but also represent the true American spirit of contribution to their fellow citizens. This line of work requires meticulous study, sacrifice, and altruism to create meaningful change. It is essential that talented, interested students understand the importance of public service and the role they can play in shaping our nation's future. As a way to help encourage the next generation of public servants throughout the nation, our law firm is proud to announce a scholarship opportunity open to eligible students nationwide. This scholarship aims to incentivize students to enter public service careers and make the difference that is needed. Our hope is that the 2027 American Public Service Scholarship's financial assistance can help kick start that process and encourage students to brainstorm their potential career pathways in public service. This \$1,000 scholarship award will be granted to two students who best exemplify what it means to be a public servant and answer the essay prompt to demonstrate their commitment to helping others. Be sure to outline your career aspirations, motivations, and how you will contribute as a public servant. Eligibility • This scholarship is open to high school seniors, vocational students, college students, and graduate students who are legal residents in one of the 50 US states or the District of Columbia. • The applicant must be enrolled in a vocational program or two to four-year post-secondary institution for the 2027 Fall semester. • Employees of Walter Clark Legal Group, their family members, and those living in the same household as those individuals (whether related or not) are not eligible to apply. • Applicants must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher and be in good overall standing to be eligible. Application Requirements Candidates must submit a 750 to 1,000-word essay response to the prompt: Detail your efforts and aspirations to help your community as a public servant. Describe what experiences inspired you to choose this path and how you plan to make a difference. Candidates must submit a professional resumé that lists their experience, both professional and academic. Candidates must submit a transcript from their current school. First-year college students, graduate students, or individuals who have recently transferred schools may submit an unofficial transcript from their current school, as well as the most recent official transcript from their prior school. High school students must also submit proof of acceptance to the college or university they plan to attend.	1/31/27
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Blue Ocean High School Entrepreneurship Competition	(15 Awards) \$1,000.00	Take Part in the World's Biggest Virtual Entrepreneurship Competition for High School Students Who Can Compete? • High school students anywhere in the world. • Any high school student from around the world can compete in this virtual competition. • Sign up to compete solo as a mighty team of one, or invite a few friends to join you to compete together. How to Participate 1. Register first so we can keep you informed on the competition! 2. Provide your best email address. If your school does not allow outside emails to go through, use your personal email. Otherwise, we may not have a way to contact you. 3. Complete the Blue Ocean Mini-Course to learn about blue ocean thinking. 4. Check out previous winners and pitches for inspiration. 5. Think of a real-world problem that no one has solved before and create a blue ocean business idea to solve it. 6. Use the provided templates to structure your pitch and record a five-minute video. 7. Submit your pitch by the February due date at midnight in the time zone where you are located. 8. Get your friends, classmates and family to vote for your pitch for a chance to win the Popular Choice Award. 9. Get ready for Amazing Results! To apply, please visit: https://blueoceancompetition.org/compete/	2/21/27
Sallie Mae Scholarship	(12 Awards) \$2,000.00	Sallie cares about providing you the resources needed to successfully navigate financing college. That's why we're offering you the opportunity to earn a \$2,000 scholarship. We know that college is a big step forward in achieving your goals and we want to help you get there using all the tools Sallie has to offer. What are the eligibility requirements?	9/30/26

		The \$2,000 Sallie Mae Scholarship is only open to legal residents of the 50 United States, the District of Columbia and any US Territory age 17 or older at the time of entry, and who meet one (1) of the four (4) following eligibility requirements at the time of entry: 1. A parent who currently has a child enrolled in an accredited college or university located within the United States; 2. A student who is currently enrolled in an accredited college or university located within the United States; 3. A parent who currently has a child enrolled as a high school senior located within the United States; 4. A student who is currently enrolled as a high school junior or senior who intends to enroll in an accredited college or university located with the United States, within a year of graduating high school. To apply, please visit: https://www.sallie.com/scholarships/no-essay?utm_source=studentscholarships&utm_medium=affiliatepc&utm_campaign=la_acq_swp_u_u_u_u_u	
ScholarshipOwl No Essay Scholarship	(50 Awards) \$50,000.00	ScholarshipOwl is your source of relief from the dreaded application process. We put students on the fast-track to success by providing direct access to the scholarships they need the most. Take the hassle out of financial aid and maximize your chance at a free ride in college. No matter how much funding you need for school, we have the opportunities you're looking for. Eligibility • You must be a resident of any of the 50 United States, District of Columbia, or US Territories • You must be 16 years of age or older • You must either be enrolled in a college/university or registered in a qualified high school • You must be located within the United States To apply, please visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/19881/scholarshipowl-no-essay-scholarship	9/29/26
Be Bold Scholarship	\$25,000.00	The "Be Bold" Scholarship is a no-essay scholarship that will be awarded to the applicant with the boldest profile. It takes less than 2 minutes to apply. To us, boldest does not mean "best", or "most accomplished". Being bold means being: 1. Earnest 2. Determined 3. Moving	9/30/26

		The scholarship will be awarded to the student whose profile is most bold, according to these characteristics. Furthermore, the scholarship will be unique in that it will favor students who apply earlier-who are bold and seize the day without procrastinating. To apply, please visit: https://bold.org/scholarships/the-be-bold-no-essay-scholarship/#ref=best-scholarships	
Scholarships360 Scholarship	\$10,000.00	The Scholarships360 \$10,000 “No Essay” Scholarship is open to all students who want some extra help paying for their education. Whether you are a high school student who hopes to go to college, a graduate student who’s in a master’s program, or an adult learner who wants to return to school, you are eligible for our no essay scholarship. This scholarship will be awarded to students who get the most out of Scholarships360 scholarships and content. You will be a strong applicant if you apply to scholarships with the Scholarships360 platform To apply, please visit: https://app.scholarships360.org/?redirect=/dashboard/scholarships/10000-no-essay-scholarship&aff=8	9/30/26
Niche Scholarship	\$40,000.00	Apply for our \$40,000 No Essay Scholarship below and focus on your education, not your finances. The winner will be selected by random drawing and will be notified via email by Votigo, our official scholarship fulfillment partner, by November 15th. Good luck! Who Can Apply All high school and college students, as well as anyone looking to attend college or graduate school in the next year. How It Works The \$40,000 "No Essay" Scholarship is an easy scholarship with no essay required. Only one entry allowed per person. The winner will be determined by random drawing and then contacted directly and announced in Niche's e-newsletter and on the Scholarship Winners page. To apply, please visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/35572/niche-40000-scholarship	10/15/26

The Future is Now Scholarship	\$2,999.00	The Future is Now Scholarship offers support young individuals aged 16 and above, enrolled in college and residing in the US or India. Automatic disqualification may occur for multiple applications. Eligibility • You must be a resident of the US or India • You must be 16 years of age or older • You must be enrolled or planning to enroll in a college https://lenny.ai/lenny-scholarship?linkId=lp_665462&sourceId=scholarshipprograms&tenantId=lennyai	9/28/26