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Dear Student,

The Delaware Higher Education Commission is pleased to bring you the fall 2008 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. Expansion of our knowledge-based economy continues to increase the value of education. Students who build on their secondary education will be better prepared for the opportunities and challenges of the future.

Although college is expensive, most agree that the benefits of a college education far outweigh the costs. 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.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Maureen Laffey".

Maureen Laffey
Director
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Delaware **Higher Education** Commission

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

The Commission administers 23 state-sponsored financial aid programs, which include grants, scholarships, regional contracts, and professional incentive programs. Last year, the Commission awarded \$6,502,200 to 3,560 Delaware residents 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 students attending college this year will save an average of \$11,000 in tuition costs, totaling \$687,000 in savings for the year. Since joining SREB in 1998, Delaware families have saved over \$4,820,000 through the ACM program.

To increase educational opportunities for Delawareans, the Commission works with state officials to develop new financial assistance programs. Fifteen 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
- Charles L. Hebner Memorial Scholarship
- Legislative Essay Scholarship
- State University of New York Maritime College Regional Partnership
- National Board for Professional Teaching Standards Loan
- Nursing Education Retention Scholarship
- Veterinary Medicine Contract Program, Oklahoma State University
- Veterinary Medicine Contract Program, University of Georgia

The Commission 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 the Commission in 1988 in response to requests for information from high school guidance 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: Paying & Planning 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 college costs.

Average Undergraduate College Costs 2007–08

	Tuition/ Fees	Books/ Supplies	Room/ Board	Transpor- tation	Other	Total
4-YEAR PUBLIC						
In-state	6,185	988	7,404	911	1,848	\$17,336
Out-of-state	16,640	988	7,404	911	1,848	\$27,791
4-YEAR PRIVATE						
	23,712	988	8,595	768	1,311	\$35,374
2-YEAR PUBLIC						
Commuter	2,361	921	6,875	1,270	1,699	\$13,126

To help meet these expenses, undergraduate students received an estimated 97.1 billion dollars in aid for 2006–07. If your family is unable to pay the full cost of your college education, planning ahead and learning how financial aid works will help you find the resources you need to continue your education.

Except for unsubsidized and PLUS loans, financial aid falls into **two categories: need-based** and **merit-based**. Some programs require that you meet both need and merit criteria.

Although the primary requirement for receiving need-based aid is demonstrating financial need, you may also have to meet other eligibility criteria, such as enrollment and citizenship 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 18 for private scholarships and page 49 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, renewed, or reapplied for 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 49).

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 Stafford Loans are awarded based on financial need and interest is not charged while you are in school. Unsubsidized Stafford Loans are not need-based and interest begins when the loan is made. Parents of dependent undergraduate students may apply for unsubsidized Federal PLUS Loans. In 2006–07, federal loans provided 40% of total undergraduate student aid (see chart on page 6).

Financial Aid Categories

NEED-BASED	Grants
	Work-study
	Subsidized Federal Stafford Loan
MERIT-BASED	Delaware SEED Scholarship Program
	Federal TEACH Grant Program
MERIT- AND NEED-BASED	Scholarships (can be either or both)
	Federal Academic Competitiveness Grant
	National SMART Grant
NOT MERIT- OR NEED-BASED	Unsubsidized Federal Stafford Loan
	Unsubsidized Federal PLUS Loan for Parents
	Tax Credits (income restrictions apply)

Am I **eligible**?

The first step to determine your eligibility for 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)**, which 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. Your **financial aid package** is calculated to meet as much of your financial need as possible. It may include a combination of grants, loans, work-study, and scholarships 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 49–53),
- (3) colleges, and
- (4) private scholarships (see pages 18–48).

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 over 10 million students this year with grants, low-interest loans, and work-study programs. **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 (for most programs) with a valid Social Security number (SSN);
- be working toward an eligible degree or certificate program.
- have a high school diploma or a GED certificate; pass an approved ability-to-benefit (ATB) test; meet other approved standards your state establishes; **or** complete a state-approved homeschool program;
- register with the Selective Service, if you're 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;
- Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG);
- Work-study;
- Perkins Loan; and
- Direct or FFEL (Federal Family Education Loan) Subsidized Stafford Loan.

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

- TEACH Grant Program (new in 2008-09)
- Direct or FFEL (Federal Family Education Loan) Unsubsidized Stafford Loan;
- PLUS Loan for Parents;
- Consolidation Loan;
- Hope Credit, Lifelong Learning Credit, and other tax savings;
- Loan forgiveness and deferment;
- Educational assistance for veterans and dependents; and
- Military service.

Pell Grant recipients may also be eligible for two federal grants that are **both need- and merit-based**:

- Academic Competitiveness Grant
- National SMART Grant

The booklet, "Funding Education Beyond High School: The Guide to Federal Student Aid," is published by the U.S. Department of Education every year and is available online or upon request. It provides complete information about the programs above.

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 Commission administers the state's student assistance programs, which include grants, scholarships for graduating high school seniors, regional contract programs, and professional incentive programs. Contact the Commission for information about:

- state-sponsored student aid programs and eligibility requirements (see pages 49 to 53);
- eligibility requirements for the Academic Common Market (see page 51); and
- statistical data about Delaware higher education institutions.

For more information, contact:

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820 N. French St.
Wilmington, DE 19801
Office hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday
302-577-5240
800-292-7935 (toll-free outside New Castle County)
302-577-6765 (fax)
dhec@doe.k12.state.de.us
www.doe.k12.de.us/dhec

(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. Institutional financial aid may include grants, loans, work-study, and scholarships. The financial aid office at the college can help you with your questions.

(4) PRIVATE SCHOLARSHIPS

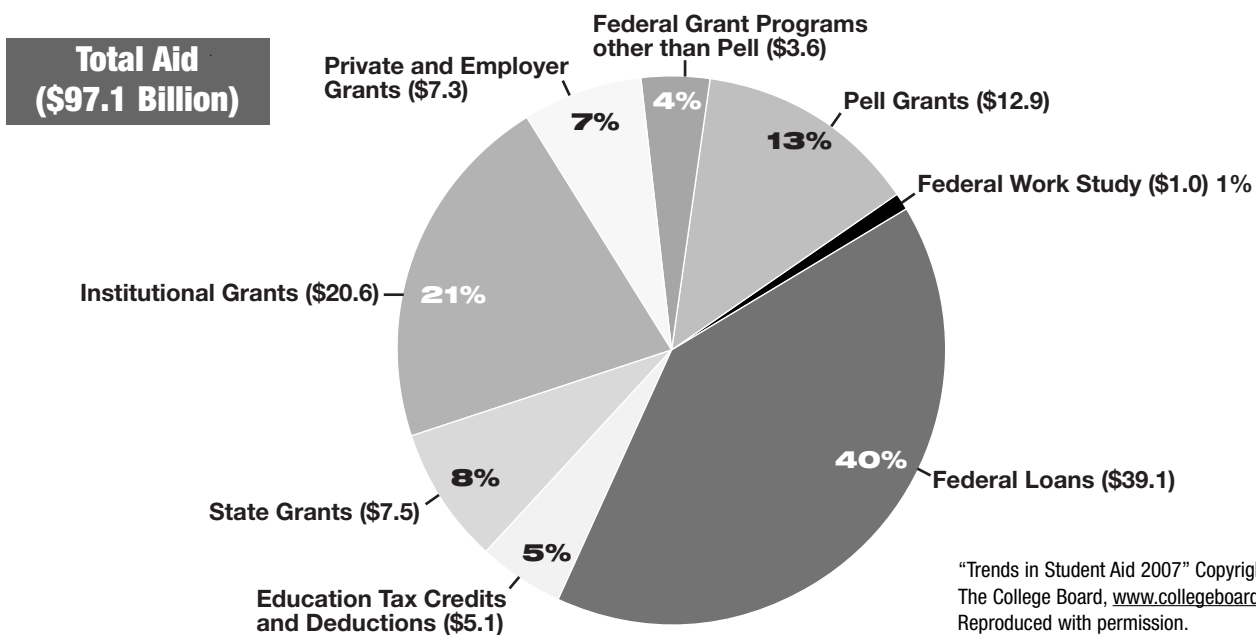
Scholarship donors usually require the completion of an application and may ask for financial documents, essays, and personal references. Contact the sponsoring organization to verify deadlines and requirements when applying for scholarships. In addition to reviewing the scholarships on pages 18 to 48, check with your high school guidance counselor, college financial aid office, librarian, and on the Web (see pages 12 and 13).

Scholarships come from many sources, including:

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

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.

Undergraduate Student Aid (in Billions) by Source, 2006–2007



Education and Training Pay

Unemployment Rate in 2007 (%)

Median Weekly Earnings in 2007

1.4	Doctoral Degree	\$1,497
1.3	Professional Degree	\$1,427
1.8	Master's Degree	\$1,165
2.2	Bachelor's Degree	\$987
3.0	Associate Degree	\$740
3.8	Some College, No Degree	\$683
4.4	High School Graduate	\$604
7.1	Less Than High School	\$428

Note: Data are 2007 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

Cash for College is an online brochure updated annually by the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators. It offers basic facts on student aid programs and application procedures. Available at www.nasfaa.org/AnnualPubs/CashforCollege.PDF.

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. Available from your guidance counselor, by calling 302-761-8064, or online at www.oolmi.net.

Delaware's Guide to Student Aid is a free comprehensive student aid handbook targeted to Delaware students. It is published annually by American Education Services (AES), the designated guaranty agency for the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Program in Delaware. The Guide provides a step-by-step description of the student aid process and is available from your guidance counselor in the fall or by calling AES at 717-720-3600.

Funding Education Beyond High School: The Guide to Federal Student Aid is a comprehensive source of information about the Department's federal student aid programs and includes an overview

of federal student aid, as well as detailed information on the application process and student loans. Available online at www.studentaid.ed.gov in English or Spanish or by calling toll-free 800-4 FED-AID (800-433-3243).

Get on Track for College, published by the Rodel Foundation, is a comprehensive career and college planning guide for students in grades 8–12 and their parents. Available online at www.rodelfoundationde.org or by calling 302-571-1536.

Steps to College 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, and admission. New stories are added throughout the year. Available online at www.nacacnet.org in "Student Resources" section.

Tax Benefits for Education (Publication 970) explains the following tax benefits for those saving or paying for higher education costs: scholarships, fellowships, grants, and tuition reductions; Hope 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; employer-provided educational assistance; and business deduction for work-related education. 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 in 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?

What types of financial aid are available?

Grants?

Scholarships?

Work-study?

Loans?

What is the loan default rate?

What percentage of students receive financial aid?

Classes

What is the average class size?

Are introductory courses taught by faculty or graduate students?

Facilities and Services

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 or 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

THERE ARE THOSE WHO LOOK AT THINGS THE WAY THEY ARE, AND ASK WHY...I DREAM OF THINGS THAT NEVER WERE, AND ASK WHY NOT?

Robert F. Kennedy

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. Information about the Delaware Volunteer Credit and other youth volunteer programs is available online at www.dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dssc/sov/dvc.html or by calling 800-815-5465.

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 find a volunteer opportunity, visit www.volunteerway.org.



▼ 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.

AmeriCorps volunteers receive education awards for specified terms of service that can be used to pay for college or pay back student loans.

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

Senior Calendar

September

Meet with your **guidance counselor** to discuss your career goals and college plans.

Start a personal **calendar** 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.

American Education Services (AES) offers in-depth information and interactive tools to help you research careers, choose a college, apply online, and finance your education at **www.EducationPlanner.org**.

Review for the **SAT** and/or **ACT**. If you have not already registered, see your guidance counselor as soon as possible. Registration deadlines and test dates can be found at www.collegeboard.com and www.act.org.

Review the **scholarships** on pages 18 to 48. Deadlines range from September to July (see pages 14 to 17).

Become a **volunteer**. You may be able to earn one elective credit toward graduation through the Delaware Volunteer Credit Program (see page 9).

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.

October

Visit the National Association for College Counseling website at **www.nacacnet.org** to help you prepare for attending **college fairs**. See your guidance counselor for information about the following fairs:

October 28, 2008, New Castle County College Night, Bob Carpenter Sports Center, University of Delaware, 6:30 to 9 p.m.

October 22, 2008, Central Delaware College Night, Wilmington University, Dover, 7 to 9 p.m.

October 29, 2008, Southern Delaware College Night, Delaware Technical & Community College, Georgetown, 7 to 9 p.m.

March 5, 2009, Delaware College Night '09, Wilmington University, Wilmington, 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, guidance 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. For additional questions you might want to ask, see the "Campus Visits Checklist" at **www.EducationPlanner.org**.

Start **comparing colleges**. Turn to page 9 for points to compare.

Follow up on your letters of recommendation. Send a thank you note to the writer when your letter has been mailed.

November

Continue to work on your admissions applications. Many colleges using **early decision** and **early action** admissions require test scores and applications as early as **November 1**. Go to www.nacacnet.org to find colleges with early application options.

Update your **resume**. If you do not already have one and need help, ask your guidance counselor or librarian for resources.

If your major is not available 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 51).

A schedule of free **financial aid nights** held at local schools and coordinated by the Delaware Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators will be posted on the Delaware Higher Education Commission's website at www.doe.k12.de.us/dhec in late fall.

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 28). Deadlines are set by each institution. The first deadline (for admission to the University of Delaware) is **January 15**.

Carefully complete and **submit all college applications** by the deadline. You may be able to use the **Common Application** (www.commonapp.org) if your college is a Common Application member.

Keep **copies of all forms** you submit.

You should submit your FAFSA as soon as possible after January 1 each year. You and your parents can get a **PIN** (Personal Identification Number) at www.pin.ed.gov **before January 1**. A PIN allows you to complete your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (**FAFSA**), make corrections, and access your applicant data records online.

December

January

Complete your **FAFSA** as soon as possible after **January 1**. If you want to apply before you file your federal tax return, you may estimate your tax information on the FAFSA and make any necessary corrections later. The U.S. Department of Education recommends that students **apply online** at www.fafsa.ed.gov, which makes the application process faster and easier.

Your parents can find out if they are eligible for the **Hope 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 to which you have applied.

If you are planning to attend the University of Delaware or Delaware State University, turn to page 50 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 6, 2009**.

If you are planning to attend an in-state or out-of-state college that is a nonprofit, regionally accredited institution in the U.S., turn to page 50 to see if you are eligible to apply for the **Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship** (\$1,500/year) or the **Diamond State Scholarship** (\$1,250/year). Deadline for both is **March 27, 2009**.

If you are planning to enroll in a **teaching or nursing program**, turn to page 51 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 three programs is **March 27, 2009**.

Talk to your guidance 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.

To receive **free help completing your FAFSA**, attend **College Goal Sunday** in February. Information is available at www.go2goal.org.

After your FAFSA is processed, you will receive your Student Aid Report (**SAR**), usually within 3 to 5 days if you file online and provide an email address or 7 to 10 days if you do not provide an email address.

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 the colleges to which you applied. Check with the schools 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 49). Students who meet the annual April 15 deadline will be notified of additional deadlines to submit enrollment information and GPA verification.

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, go to 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.

If you are placed on a **waiting list** for your preferred college, stay in touch with the admissions office if you are still interested in attending that college.

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 guidance counselor if you did not receive any college acceptances.

If you are planning to work and take classes part-time next year, turn to page 49 to find out if you are eligible for the **Governor's Workforce Development Grant**.

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Don't forget to...

- **ASK QUESTIONS.** High school guidance counselors, college admissions offices, financial aid offices, librarians, professionals in your field, 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, financial aid, and private scholarships.
- 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**.

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Websites

The websites below will help you plan your career, select a college, understand financial aid, calculate costs, and search for scholarships. You can link to these sites from the Delaware Higher Education Commission's website at www.doe.k12.de.us/dhec.

Some websites that offer free services may include other services for which there is a fee. Because so many **free** resources are available, the Commission recommends 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:

- www.finaid.org/scholarships/scams.phtml
- www.nacacnet.org: "What Students and Families Should Know About Educational Consultants and Commercial Counseling Centers" in the Student Resources section

FOR DELAWARE STUDENTS

American Education Services (AES)

www.aessuccess.org

AES, Delaware's guaranty agency for the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Program, provides college planning information targeted to Delaware families at www.going2college.org.

Delaware Higher Education Commission

www.doe.k12.de.us/dhec

Information for Delaware residents about state-sponsored financial aid programs, including scholarships, grants, the Academic Common Market, and professional incentive programs.

Delaware Job Link

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

Delaware Department of Labor website that provides information about the state job market. Jobseeker's Guide is a structured, all-in-one, guided tour of the job hunt process and provides information and resources for full- and part-time job seekers.

Yes YOU Can!

www.yesyoucande.com

Created by the 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 parents page.

TESTS

ACT

www.act.org

Information about registering and preparing for the ACT test. Also has information on college planning, financial aid, and careers.

College Board

www.collegeboard.org

Information about registering and preparing for the PSAT/NMSQT, SAT, AP, and CLEP tests. Also has information on planning for college, finding a college, applying to college, and paying for college.

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.

CAREERS

CareerOneStop

www.careeronestop.org

U.S. Department of Labor-sponsored website that offers career resources and workforce information to job seekers and students. Features user-friendly occupation and industry information, salary data, career videos, education resources, self-assessment tools, career exploration assistance, and other resources

PLANNING FOR COLLEGE

College Is Possible

www.collegeispossible.org

K-16 youth development program that motivates middle and high school students from underserved communities to seek a college education. Developed by the American Council on Education.

EducationPlanner

www.educationplanner.org

American Education Services's one-stop career and college planning site. Provides information and interactive tools to help you research careers, choose a college, apply online, and find ways to finance your education. Information is available in Spanish, as well.

KnowHow2GO

www.knowhow2go.org

Campaign that primarily targets low-income students in grades 8 to 10, and secondarily, their parents and adult influencers to encourage them to start the college preparation process early. Created in partnership with the Lumina Foundation for Education, American Council on Education, and the Ad Council.

Mapping Your Future

www.mapping-your-future.org

Resource for career, college preparation, financial aid, and money management information to help students, families, and schools. Sponsored by the guaranty agencies in the Federal Family Education Loan Program. Information is available in Spanish, as well.

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; summer internships and jobs; careers; and rewarding volunteer opportunities.

SELECTING A COLLEGE

- **CampusTours**
www.campustours.com
- **CollegeView**
www.collegeview.com
- **College Navigator**
http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator
- **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
- **Web U.S. Higher Education**
www.utexas.edu/world/univ

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.

Common Application

www.commonapp.org

Provides admission application (online and in print) for more than 300 member colleges.

FINANCIAL AID

- **CSS/Financial Aid Profile**
https://profileonline.collegeboard.com
- **Delaware Higher Education Commission**
www.doe.k12.de.us/dhec
- **FAFSA4caster**
www.fafsa4caster.ed.gov
- **FinAid**
www.finaid.com
- **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**
www.fafsa.ed.gov
- **National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators**
www.studentaid.org
- **Scholarship Scams**
www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams
- **U.S. Dept. of Education Student Aid on the Web**
www.studentaid.ed.gov

SEARCHING FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

- **BrokeScholar**
www.brokescholar.com
- **CareerInfoNet Scholarship Search**
www.acinet.org/acinet/scholarshipsearch
- **College Board**
www.collegeboard.org
- **CollegeNet**
www.collegenet.com
- **EducationPlanner**
www.educationplanner.org
- **FastWeb**
www.fastweb.com
- **GoCollege**
www.gocollege.com
- **Scholarships.com**
www.scholarships.com

SPECIAL INTEREST

Heath Resource Center

www.heath.gwu.edu

Online clearinghouse on postsecondary education for individuals with disabilities. Provides information on educational disability support services, policies, procedures, adaptations, accessibility, financial assistance, scholarships, and materials that help students with disabilities transition into postsecondary programs.

Latino College Dollars

www.latinocollegedollars.org

Website is an initiative of the Tomás Rivera Policy Institute (TRPI), a nonprofit organization that advances informed policy on key issues affecting Latino communities. Database includes hundreds of scholarships targeted to Latino students.

National Collegiate Athletic Association

www.ncaastudent.org

Guide for the College-Bound Student-Athlete discusses academic eligibility, amateurism eligibility, registration with the NCAA Initial-Eligibility Clearinghouse, financial aid, and recruiting rules.

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.electroniccampus.org/TeacherCenter

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

ThinkCollege

www.thinkcollege.net

Information and resources for young people with intellectual disabilities about going to college or training beyond high school.

Today's Military

www.todaysmilitary.com

Information about U.S. military colleges, service, careers, and educational benefits.

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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).

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: Secretary
Scottish Rite Bodies of Delaware
4800 Lancaster Pike
Wilmington, DE 19807

Agenda for Delaware Women Trailblazer Scholarship

Deadline: Application must be received by 4:30 p.m. on April 10, 2009. Must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at least two weeks prior to application deadline. FAFSA can be completed online at www.fafsa.ed.gov after January 1.

Eligibility: Women who are legal residents of Delaware, U.S. citizens or eligible noncitizens, and will enroll in a public or private nonprofit college in Delaware as an undergraduate student in the 2009–10 academic year. Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5. Based 50% on financial need and 50% on community/school activities, vision, participation, and leadership.

Award: Two awards of \$2,500 for one year; award recipients may reapply annually

Contact: **Apply online at www.doe.k12.de.us/dhec.**
Paper applications are available upon request.
Delaware Higher Education Commission
Carvel State Office Bldg.
820 N. French St.
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-577-5240
800-292-7935 (toll-free outside New Castle County)
302-577-6765 (fax)
dhec@doe.k12.de.us

Air Traffic Control Association Scholarships

Deadline: Application must be received by May 1 in the year applying.

Eligibility: Supports financial needs of deserving students seeking higher education in the science of air traffic control and other aviation disciplines in the following categories:

A. Students enrolled half- to full-time in a two- or four-year air traffic control program at an institution approved and/or licensed by the Federal Aviation Administration.

B. Students enrolled half- to full-time in a bachelor's degree program or higher in an aviation-related course of study.

Scholarship programs for children of air traffic control specialists and for employees in advanced study programs to improve their traffic control or aviation skills are also offered.

Award: A. Varies
B. \$1,500 to \$2,500

Contact: Applications available online at www.atca.org.

Horatio Alger Delaware Scholarship

Deadline: October 30, 2008

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. or in the process of becoming a U.S. citizen.

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

All-Ink.com College Scholarship Program

Deadline: December 31, 2008

Eligibility: Students who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents with a minimum 2.5 GPA and attending an accredited college or university program during the spring 2009 term, fall 2009 term, or 2009–10 academic year. Must submit an essay of 50 to 200 words on who has had the greatest impact on your life and a 50 to 200 word essay on what you hope to achieve in your personal and professional life after completing college.

Award: Up to five \$1,000 awards/year

Contact: Apply online at www.all-ink.com/scholarship.aspx.

Alpha Delta Kappa International Sorority for Women Educators Scholarship

Deadline: February 28, 2009

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. Leisure Grant-in-Aid

Deadline: April 1

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

Award: \$500

Contact: Obtain application from high school guidance office, or write to:
Catherine Graden
122 Loganberry Ln.
Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971-9528

American Association of University Women (Dover Branch)

Deadline: March 1

Eligibility: Open to seniors attending a public high school in Kent County with high scholastic standing, community contribution, and financial need.

Award: Starts at \$500

Contact: Applications available in January at Caesar Rodney, Dover, Lake Forest, Milford, Smyrna, and Polytech High Schools.

American Association of University Women (Western Sussex Branch)

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

American Association of University Women (Western Sussex Branch)

Deadline: May 15

Eligibility: A woman who is a resident of Laurel, Seaford, Woodbridge, or Delmar School Districts in Delaware; who has completed, at any time, a two-year associate program at the Owens Campus in Georgetown; and who plans to pursue a four-year bachelor's degree. Selection will be based equally on a minimum GPA of 3.0 and financial need.

Award: Varies, for tuition only

Contact: Financial Aid Office
Delaware Technical & Community College
PO Box 610
Georgetown, DE 19947
302-856-5400

American Association of University Women (Wilmington Branch)

Deadline: February 20, 2009

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, range \$1,000 to \$5,000.

Contact: Application available online, from high school guidance counselors, local college financial aid offices, New Castle County public libraries, or:
AAUW Office
1800 Fairfax Blvd.
Wilmington, DE 19803
302-428-0939
www.aauwwilmington.org

American Cancer Society Champion Scholarship Program

Deadline: Applications are available after January 1, 2009; must be postmarked by April 15, 2009. Confirmation of college acceptance is due early July.

Eligibility: For the South Atlantic Division, which includes Delaware residents, program is open to any survivor of childhood cancer diagnosed before the age of 19 and who is currently 25 or younger. Applicants must enroll in an accredited two- or four-year institution or a graduate-level program of study. Must be a legal resident of Delaware, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia, or the District of Columbia.

Award: \$1,000 for first-time recipient; \$500 for renewals. Maximum of four years.

Contact: Call 800-ACS-2345 after January 1 and at least several weeks prior to April 15 deadline to request an application. Applications are mailed on Wednesdays only. For additional information, contact Henry.Wells@cancer.org or SA.college@cancer.org.

American Chemical Society Scholars Program

Deadline: March 1 annually

Eligibility: Open to (a) high school seniors who will enter college in the coming year; (b) college students who are currently pursuing or planning to pursue full-time study in a chemically related field; (c) community college students and transfer students who plan to study for the baccalaureate degree in chemistry, biochemistry, chemical engineering, or a chemically related field; and (d) community college freshmen majoring in a two-year chemical technology program. Awarded on the basis of merit and financial need to minority students with outstanding academic records combined with a strong interest in chemistry and a desire to pursue a career in a chemically related field of science.

Award: Approximately 100 new awards valued at up to \$5,000 each will be made to students who pursue a bachelor's degree in chemistry, biochemistry, chemical engineering, or a chemically related field.

Contact: American Chemical Society Scholars Program
1155 16th St., NW
Washington, DC 20036
800-227-5558, ext. 6250
202-833-7732 (fax)
scholars@acs.org
www.acs.org/scholars

American Institute of Architects/American Architectural Foundation (AIA/AAF), Minority/Disadvantaged Scholarship Program

Deadline: December 6 for nomination form; application must be received by January 15

Eligibility: High school seniors, technical school/junior college students, or college freshmen who are entering an NAAB-accredited program leading to a professional degree in architecture. Must be nominated by an individual familiar with student's interests and potential. Based on financial need.

Award: \$500 to \$2,500 (25 annual scholarships)

Contact: Nomination forms are available at www.archfoundation.org or will be mailed upon request by calling 202-626-7511.

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: MaryAnn Pospichal, Executive Secretary
American Legion Auxiliary
PO Box 156
Camden, DE 19934
302-697-3764

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: MaryAnn Pospichal, Executive Secretary
American Legion Auxiliary
PO Box 156
Camden, DE 19934
302-697-3764

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: High school guidance counselor, local American Legion Post, or:
The American Legion
Department of Delaware
PO Box 5696
Wilmington, DE 19808
302-998-9448

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: High school guidance counselor, local American Legion Post, or:
The American Legion
Department of Delaware
PO Box 5696
Wilmington, DE 19808
302-998-9448

American Museum of Natural History Young Naturalist Awards

Deadline: March 2, 2009

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 online and in *Natural History Magazine* in August. 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

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

Deadline: Varies, February to March

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 \$2,000

Contact: Scholarship Manager
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)

Deadline: Postmarked by December 1 for engineering scholarships

Postmarked by May 1 for engineering technology scholarships

Eligibility: Full-time enrollment in an ABET-accredited engineering or engineering technology program leading to a B.S. or engineering degree or any engineering technology program leading to an A.S. degree in HVAC&R. Must have a cumulative college GPA of at least 3.0; show leadership ability and character; and demonstrate financial need. **Must have completed at least one semester or quarter of undergraduate study to apply.**

Award: Engineering: \$10,000; \$5,000; and \$3,000 awards

Engineering technology: \$3,000 one-year awards

Contact: www.ashrae.org

American Society of Travel Agents (ASTA) Foundation

Deadline: Varies, summer

Eligibility: Offers over 20 scholarships for the most qualified students in a bachelors, masters, doctoral, community college, or travel school program, and to travel professionals seeking to further their education.

Award: Varies, up to \$3,000

Contact: ASTA Foundation, Inc.
1101 King St.
Alexandria, VA 22314
703-739-2782
scholarship@astahq.com
www.astanet.com/education/edu_scholarships.asp

ARRL Foundation, Inc. Scholarship Program

Deadline: Application period opens October 1 each year and closes on February 1. Application and transcript must be postmarked on or before February 1.

Eligibility: Applicants must hold an FCC Amateur Radio license. Program includes various awards funded through private individuals and Amateur Radio organizations to encourage radio amateurs to pursue their educational goals. License and academic requirements vary. All applications must be accompanied by a recent high school (or equivalent) or college transcript.

Award: \$500 to \$5,000 or more to provide assistance with costs of tuition, room, board, books and/or other essential fees. Most scholarships are nonrenewable.

Contact: Application instructions and forms are only available online at www.arrlf.org.

Asian and Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund (APIASF)

Deadline: January

Eligibility: Applicants must:

- Be of Asian and/or Pacific Islander ethnicity as defined by the 2000 Census.
- Be a U.S. citizen, U.S. national, legal permanent resident, or a citizen of the Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of the Marshall Islands, or the Republic of Palau.
- Be entering a two- or four-year program at a U.S. regionally accredited college or university as a full-time, degree-seeking, first-year student
- Have a cumulative, unweighted GPA of 2.7 or higher on a 4.0 scale, or have earned a GED.

Award: In 2008, 285 one-time, nonrenewable awards of \$2,500 were made.

Contact: Information and applications for the 2009–10 academic school year will be available this fall at www.apiasf.org.

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

Deadline: Application must be postmarked by November 1.

Eligibility: College sophomores and juniors enrolled or planning to enroll in a full-time, four- or five-year ABET- or ACCE-accredited construction or civil engineering program are eligible to apply.

High school seniors and college freshman are not eligible.

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

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

Associates (Spouses and Friends) to the American Academy of Allergy, Asthma & Immunology Award of Excellence Scholarships

Deadline: Friday, January 9, 2009

Eligibility: Graduating high school seniors from either the U.S. or Canada who suffer with asthma. Application includes review of areas of extracurricular activities; work experience; community service; awards and achievements; academic progress; verification from your physician (verification from nurses, PAs, and other physician extenders is not accepted) and from your high school counselor or principal. Also includes short essay.

Award: One-time scholarships of \$1,000 or \$2,000. One-time merit awards of \$100.

Contact: Students must apply online at www.aaaai.org/members/associates. Online application available in September 2008 for those graduating from high school in May/June 2009.

Automotive Hall of Fame Scholarship Program

Deadline: June 1. Applications available after January 1.

Eligibility: Must have a sincere interest in an automotive career. Must already be accepted at an accredited college, university, or trade school within the United States. Must be enrolled full-time and maintain a 3.0 or higher GPA. Financial need is considered, but not necessary. If requesting application by mail, indicate the major you are pursuing in the automotive field and supply self-addressed, stamped envelope with your request, or download application from website.

Award: \$500 to \$2,000 (20 awards). One application qualifies you for all applicable awards.

Contact: Automotive Educational Fund
Automotive Hall of Fame, Inc.
21400 Oakwood Blvd.
Dearborn, MI 48124
313-240-4000
313-240-8641 (fax)
www.automotivehalloffame.org

AXA Achievement Scholarship

Deadline: The 2009 program will be launched in fall 2008.

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 partnership with Scholarship America, U.S. News & World Report, Natl. Assn. for College Admission Counseling (NACAC), and National PTA.

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, a laptop computer, and the offer of an internship with AXA.

Contact: www.axaonline.com

David S. Barr Award

Deadline: Close of business Friday, January 30, 2009

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 available online 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
202-434-1472 (fax)

Bayhealth Medical Center Healthcare Scholarship

Deadline: June 1

Eligibility: Open to all Delaware high school graduates who will pursue a full-time degree in healthcare/nursing. Requires service repayment at Bayhealth Medical Center after graduation.

Award: • \$3,000 maximum/year for first two years
• \$6,000 maximum for subsequent years

Contact: Daphne McBride
Bayhealth Medical Center/Kent General Hospital
640 S. State St.
Dover, DE 19901
302-744-6251

Blackbird Community Center Scholarship Program

Deadline: April 24, 2009

Eligibility: • Be a senior in good standing attending a school system serving the communities of Blackbird, Middletown, Odessa, Smyrna, or Townsend.
• Be sponsored by an active member of the Blackbird Community Center.
• Reside within a ten-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.

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

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

David Brower Youth Awards

Deadline: Applications for the 2009 awards will be available online in January 2009.

Eligibility: An annual national award that recognizes six young people ages 13 to 22 in North America for their outstanding activism and achievements in the fields of environmental and social justice advocacy. You must have played the major leadership role in creating, organizing, and implementing a project with positive environmental or social impact. The project should fall under one or more of these categories: conservation, preservation, and restoration.

Award: \$3,000 one-time cash prize (six annual awards). Winners also receive a trip to California for the award ceremony and wilderness camping trip and have ongoing access to resources and opportunities to further their work at Earth Island Institute.

Contact: <http://broweryouthawards.org>.

H. Fletcher Brown Scholarship

Deadline: March 22

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: Varies at the discretion of the Selection Committee. (\$55,000 awarded in 2006 to be spread over a four-year period.)

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: Cathy Ames, Executive Assistant
Ron Brown Scholar Program
1160 Pepsi Place, Ste. 206
Charlottesville, VA 22901
434-964-1588
434-964-1589 (fax)
comes@ronbrown.org
www.ronbrown.org

Buffalo Soldiers of Delaware Motorcycle Club Scholarship

Deadline: March 27, 2009

Eligibility: Graduating high school senior. Must provide proof of acceptance to a college, university, or tech school in the United States. Award is made at the end of the first semester upon receipt of an official transcript regardless of academic standing.

Award: Three nonrenewable scholarships of \$500 (one each in county New Castle, Kent, and Sussex)

Contact: High school guidance counselor, or:
Ned Brown, Jr.
95 Pear Blossom Ln.
Camden, DE 19934
302-593-6203
NedBrown01@comcast.net

John Burton Community Service Scholarship Fund

Deadline: Application must be submitted to school guidance counselor by April 15.

Eligibility: Must attend a Western Sussex County school and be recommended by a guidance counselor or teacher based on citizenship qualities, work ethic, and service to the community. Must write an essay.

Award: One-time award; amount varies

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
www.delcf.org

Carson Scholars Fund

Deadline: January

Eligibility: Public and private school students in grades 4-11 in Delaware, Maryland, and Washington, DC. Each school receives on 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. 600+ national awards made annually.

Contact: School counselor or principal, or
Amy Warner, Executive Director
Carson Scholars Fund
305 W. Chesapeake Ave., Ste. L-020
Towson, MD 21204
410-828-1005
410-828-1007
awarner@carsonscholars.org
www.carsonscholars.org

Christina Educational Enrichment Fund

Deadline: March 30

Eligibility: High school seniors in Christina School District who are most improved over four years, particularly in the areas of citizenship, scholarship, attendance, and participation in volunteer or extracurricular activities.

Award: \$1,500

Contact: Applications available from high school guidance counselor in February and online at www.christina.k12.de.us.

Chrysler Technical Scholarship

Deadline: April 15

Eligibility: Applicant 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 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, or repair of automotive products, including but not limited to, automotive repair, skilled trades, and engineering.

Award: \$1,000 college scholarship assistance for worthy students based on demonstrated academic ability, leadership traits, and financial need.

Contact: Your high school guidance 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

City of Wilmington Academic Scholarship

Deadline: April 17, 2009

Eligibility: Must be a City of Wilmington resident and a graduating high school senior or current college student with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.3 on a 4.0 scale. An essay is required. Scholarship is nonrenewable.

Contact: Nichole Torrence
City of Wilmington Municipal Complex
Department of Parks and Recreation
500 Wilmington Ave.
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-576-3847 or 302-576-3810
302-573-5675 or 302-573-5790 (fax)
ntorrence@ci.wilmington.de.us
www.ci.wilmington.de.us

Coca-Cola Four-Year Award for Seniors

Deadline: High school seniors can apply online August 1 to October 31.

Eligibility: Merit-based scholarship open to graduating high school seniors (or homeschooled students) attending school in the U.S. who are U.S. citizens; U.S. nationals; U.S. permanent residents; temporary residents (in a legalization program); refugees; asylees; Cuban-Haitian entrants; or humanitarian parolees. Must have at least a 3.0 GPA at the end of your junior year in high school and be planning to pursue a degree at an accredited U.S. postsecondary institution. Rewards leadership and excellence as exemplified through academic achievement and extracurricular activities, including commitment to community service.

Award:

- 50 four-year scholarships of \$20,000 (\$5,000/year)
- 200 four-year scholarships of \$10,000 (\$2,500/year)

Contact: www.coca-colascholars.org

Coca-Cola Two-Year Colleges Scholarship

Deadline: Apply March 1 to May 31.

Eligibility: Open to current students, as well as high school seniors, attending or planning to attend a two-year degree granting institution within the U.S. in the fall. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents; carrying a minimum of a 2.5 GPA at time of nomination; planning to enroll in at least two courses during the fall term; and actively engaged in volunteer service or employed at least part-time. Rewards leadership and excellence as demonstrated through academics, community service and/or employment.

Award: \$1,000, nonrenewable (350 annual awards)

Contact: Contact the financial aid office at your two-year college for information on the nomination process.
www.coca-colascholars.org

Committee of 100 Academic Scholarship Program

Deadline: April 2, 2009

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.

Award: \$3,000

Contact: The Committee of 100 Academic Scholarship Program
PO Box 512
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-654-6115
www.committeeof100.com/scholarship.html

Richard S. Cordrey Scholarship Fund

Deadline: Application must be submitted to the Delaware Community Foundation by April 15.

Eligibility: 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 (available at high school), 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: Your high school guidance 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

Jack Curran Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: April 24, 2009

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: \$500

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: May 1, but flexible

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: 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: \$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 be a DASA member.

Award: \$500 to \$1,000

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

Delaware Diabetes Coalition, Inc. Scholarship

Deadline: April 15, 2009

- 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: Patricia A. Wagner, RN, CDE, Executive Director
 Delaware Diabetes Coalition, Inc.
 PO Box 235
 Milton, DE 19968
 302-424-3007 or 1-866-737-1101
 302-424-0531 (fax)
 de.dm.coalition@comcast.net
 www.dediabetescoalition.org

Delaware/DuPont FFA Scholarship

Deadline: February 15, 2009

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 5, 2008

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 2009. Other requirements may apply. Available scholarships are as follows:

- Award:
- DES Joe J. Welker, Jr. Memorial Scholarship: \$1,000 minimum
 - DES/University of Delaware Scholarship: \$2,000/year, renewable for 4 years (must apply to University of Delaware by January 1, 2009)
 - 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: Orientation workshop for interested advisors is held in late September. Team registration deadline is the first Friday in April. State competition is usually held first Thursday in May.

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) and assigned a test station rotation. 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. There are separate grant awards for second, third, and fourth place team advisors. Cash awards may also be available to the top team in each resource category—\$50 per student. 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 Hume
 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: June 1, 2009; selection will be made by committee before September 1, 2009.

- Eligibility:
- Must be a U.S. citizen and a Delaware resident or D.E.C. member.
 - Must be enrolled in a Delaware university agriculture program and in good standing (either Delaware State University or the University of Delaware or a program with Delaware Technical & Community College that will transfer).
 - Must write a 250-word essay, "How I plan to use this course of study to further the equine industry."
 - Must complete an application, include documentation regarding academic status, and submit the essay noted above on a separate sheet of paper.
 - All awards are given without discrimination as to race, sex, or creed.

Award: Varies

Contact: Applications are available online.
 Delaware Equine Council
 PO Box 158
 Harrington, DE 19952
www.delawareequinecouncil.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.promoplace.com/dib

Delaware Junior Miss Scholarship Program

Deadline: April 20

Eligibility: Junior, college-bound female.

Award: Partial tuition and fees scholarship (renewable for four years) to the University of Delaware or full tuition scholarship (renewable for four years) to Wesley College in Dover for Delaware's Junior Miss. Additional cash scholarships of \$2,000 to \$5,000.

Contact: Melissa Grunewald
166 Olivine Circle
Townsend, DE 19734
302-373-1575
melissa.grunewald@appo.k12.de.us

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 (7 scholarships awarded in 2008)

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

Delaware Open Cross Country Championship Scholarship

Deadline: Application must be received by 4:30 p.m., November 7, 2008.

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 and 50% on academic achievement and leadership/community activities. **Preference will be given to students who are All State selection, All County selection, and/or All Catholic selection.**

Award: \$1,500 each for one male and one female student for freshman year of college; nonrenewable

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

Paper applications are available upon request.

Delaware Higher Education Commission
Carvel State Office Bldg.
820 N. French St.
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-577-5240
800-292-7935 (toll-free outside New Castle County)
302-577-6765 (fax)
dhec@doe.k12.de.us
www.doe.k12.de.us/dhec

Delaware River and Bay Authority Scholars Program

Deadline: February 15

Must complete FAFSA by the deadline; FAFSA can be completed online at www.fafsa.ed.gov after January 1

Eligibility: Must be a dependent child of a permanent employee of the DRBA. Must be a high school senior planning to attend college full-time in a degree program at an accredited college. Applications are judged on basis of academics, leadership, and/or financial need. Must send a copy of your completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) with your application.

Award:

- \$5,000 Academic Excellence Scholarship, one renewable award
- \$3,000 Community Service-Leadership Scholarship, one renewable award
- \$3,000 Merit Assistance Scholarship, one renewable award

Contact: Department of Human Resources
Delaware River and Bay Authority
PO Box 71
New Castle, DE 19720
302-571-6438
302-571-6420 (fax)

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, students 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 the student's official high school transcript;
- satisfy the admission standards of the enrolling institution.
- not have been convicted of a felony;
- be admitted to and attend classes full-time at the enrolling institution **no later than the fall semester immediately after student's high school graduation;**
- complete the FAFSA and any other financial aid forms required by the participating institution; and
- maintain a cumulative 2.5 GPA in their 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.

Contact: Your high school guidance counselor, or:

Delaware Technical & Community

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

Office of Scholarships & Financial Aid, 302-831-8761

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

Deadline: Application must be received by 4:30 p.m. on March 13, 2009. Must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at least two weeks 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/dhec.**

Paper applications are available upon request.

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www.doe.k12.de.us/dhec

**Delaware Solid Waste Authority
June Peacock Scholarship**

Deadline: March 15 to submit scholarship application
March 1 to file FAFSA, which can be completed online at www.fafsa.ed.gov after January 1

Eligibility: Graduating high school seniors in Delaware with financial need pursuing a degree program either part- or full-time in environmental, biosciences, or physical sciences at Delaware Technical & Community College. Must have at least a cumulative 3.0 GPA. Community and extracurricular activity will be considered. Personal essay and letters of recommendation required.

Award: \$1,000; renewable for one additional year

Contact: Libby Kelley

Delaware Solid Waste Authority

PO Box 455

Dover, DE 19903-0455

302-739-5361

302-739-4287

ljk@dswa.com

www.dswa.com

Delaware State Education Association Scholarship

Deadline: March 17, 2009

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: \$1,000

Contact: Sandy Dearman, Executive Assistant

136 E. Water St.

Dover, DE 19901-3614

866-734-5834 or 302-734-5834

Delaware State Federation of Women's Clubs Scholarship Fund

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Delaware student exhibiting high scholarship, leadership achievement, and financial need. Sponsorship by member of this organization is required.

Award: Open

Contact: Mrs. Gesine K. Abrutyn
6812 Williamsville Rd.
Milford, DE 19963
302-424-2053

Delaware State Golf Association

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Active golfer or association with golf.

Award: Open

Contact: Delaware State Golf Association Scholarship Fund, Inc.
240 West Side Drive
Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971

Delaware Volunteer Firemen's Association

Deadline: March 31

Eligibility: Senior who has been accepted either full- or part-time into a fire science technology, engineering, emergency management, emergency medical services, nursing, or related programs.

Award: Up to \$3,000

Contact: DVFA Scholarship Committee
Delaware State Fire School
1461 Chestnut Grove Rd.
Dover, DE 19904-1545
www.dvfassn.com

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 1:1.5 (for every \$1 saved, \$1.50 is matched!). So if you save the maximum of \$1,500 per individual, an additional \$2,250 is matched, making a total of \$3,750 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 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 2.8 GPA.

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

Contact: 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, has a GPA of 2.0 or better, and is admitted to an accredited college. Candidate should have a USGA handicap rating.

Award: Open

Contact: Jack Slayton
DPGA, Inc. Secretary-Treasurer
7772 Broad Leaf Dr.
Parsonburg, MD 21849
410-749-6685

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 hold a GPA of 3.5 or higher, demonstrate community involvement, and enroll in a business/finance related field of study. 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: Renee' Lee Thompson
Del-One
270 Beiser Blvd.
Dover, DE 19904
renee.thompson@del-one.org
www.del-one.org

Delta Kappa Gamma Book Scholarship, Theta Chapter

Deadline: May 1. Application must be obtained from high school guidance counselor after February 15.

Eligibility: Senior from Smyrna High School pursuing a teaching career.

Award: \$400

Contact: Anne S. Mace
15 Glenway Ave.
Smyrna, DE 19977

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. 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 demonstrated leadership in school-sponsored or community activities.

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

Discover Scholarship Program (formerly Discover Card Tribute Awards Program)

Deadline: Application and materials for the 2009 program will be available online.

Eligibility: Must be a **high school junior** as of September 2008 and have at least a 2.75 cumulative grade point average on a 4.0 scale for 9th and 10th grades. Must demonstrate accomplishments in community service and leadership and have faced a significant roadblock or challenge. May be used for any type of post-high school education or training, certification, licensing, two- or four-year trade and technical education or a two- or four-year college degree.

Award: Up to 10 scholarships of \$30,000 each

Contact: www.discoverfinancial.com/community/index.shtml

Do Something Awards (formerly the BRICK Awards)

Deadline: December 1

Eligibility: Award program honors changemakers under the age 25 who see the need to do something, believe in their ability to get it done, and then take action. Must be a permanent resident of the U.S. or Canada.

Award: \$10,000 (nine awards in 2008)
\$100,000 (one award in 2008)

Contact: Applications available online at www.dosomething.org/awards.

Don and Nancy Edwards Scholarship

Deadline: To be determined

Eligibility: Applicants must be identified and recommended through the Upward Bound program at the University of Delaware, Delaware State University, 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.

Contact: 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: Applications must be received by:
November 1 for spring semester
January 1 for summer semester
May 1 for fall semester

Eligibility: Applicants must be low- to moderate-income high school students (with a GPA of 2.5 or higher) or working adults who want to improve their employment potential through continuing education or technical training.

Award: Awards are presented three times per year. 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 can be downloaded from the Delaware Community Foundation's website or requested from:
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Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student Competition

Deadline: Applications must be submitted to your local Elks Lodge by January 9, 2009.

Eligibility: High school seniors who are U.S. citizens. Applications must be submitted to your local Elks lodge, but you do not need to be related to a member of the Elks. Must be pursuing a four-year degree on a full-time basis (minimum of 12 semester hours) at a U.S. college or university. Judged on scholarship, leadership, and financial need. Male and female students compete separately.

Award: Four-year total awards:

- 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 available at your local Elks Lodge, online at **www.elks.org**, or by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to:
Elks National Foundation
2750 N. Lakeview Ave.
Chicago, IL 60614-2256

Ellendale Ruritan Scholarship Award

Deadline: March 1

Eligibility: Full-time students who live within a five-mile radius of Ellendale and have been accepted to or are enrolled in any postsecondary school. Applicants must show financial need and academic merit; be in the upper 25% of their high school class; and maintain at least a 2.75 GPA based on a 4.0 scale in college. Applicants must submit a short essay describing their personal goals and reasons they feel they are deserving of this award. Scholarship committee may request personal interview of applicants. Successful applicants will be notified May 1.

Award: Up to two \$600 scholarships, renewable for up to four years. Can be applied to tuition or room and board.

Contact: John Herbert
20587 Milton-Ellendale Hwy.
Ellendale, DE 19941
302-684-8820

Ennes Educational Foundation Trust Youth Scholarship

Deadline: July 1, 2009

Eligibility: Graduating high school seniors entering college in the fall of 2009 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 10, 2009.

Must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at least two weeks 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/dhec.**
Paper applications are available upon request.
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dhec@doe.k12.de.us
www.doe.k12.de.us/dhec

William P. Frank Scholarship

Deadline: To be determined

Eligibility: Applicant must be a Delaware high school senior active in journalism and/or communication activities, such as school newspapers and magazines and/or television and radio programs. Each high school may nominate one student.

Award: \$1,000 (three cash prizes, one to a student in each county)

Contact: High school guidance counselor, journalism teacher/advisor, or:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org
www.delcf.org

Gates Millennium Scholars

Deadline: 2009–10 nomination application process begins August 2008.

Nomination deadline is January 12, 2009, 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/legal permanent resident or national of the U.S.
- have a cumulative, unweighted GPA of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale;
- will be enrolling for the first time at U.S. accredited college or university as a full-time, degree-seeking first-year student in fall 2009;
- have demonstrated leadership abilities through participation in community service, extracurricular or other activities;
- meet the federal Pell Grant eligibility criteria; and
- have completed and submitted all three required forms by the deadline.

Award: Determined by unmet need based on cost of tuition, fees, books, and other living expenses, as well as the financial aid award package provided by nominee's college or university. Renewable with satisfactory academic progress, full-time enrollment, and timely submission of required documents.

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

Generation III Scholarship Fund

Deadline: Applications must be postmarked by May 2, 2009.

Eligibility: Applicant must be a Delaware resident who plans to attend one of the following institutions: University of Delaware, Delaware Technical & Community College, Goldey-Beacom College, Wesley College, Delaware State University, or Lincoln University. Must pursue an associate or bachelor's degree in a business- or construction-related field. Applicant may not be an employee of the EDiS Company or a relative of an employee of the EDiS Company.

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

Contact: Applications can be downloaded from the EDiS website at www.ediscompany.com or requested from Cyndi Slothour, EDiS Scholarship Fund Office, 302-421-5700.

Goldman Sachs Foundation Prize for Excellence in International Education/High School Youth Prize

Deadline: June 2009

Eligibility: To be eligible to win, students must:

1. Be enrolled in a high school or equivalent in the United States, be an exchange student at a high school in the United States, or be a United States citizen enrolled at an American international school as of the end of the 2008–09 school year.
2. Submit a single entry (essay or multimedia) per person answering one of the contest questions. The contest questions will be posted on <http://askasia.org/students/gsfprizes.html>.
3. Submit original work that was created and completed solely by you, with proper crediting of words and ideas that are not your own.
4. Not submit work that has been previously recognized in a national competition. This applies to prior winners of The Goldman Sachs Foundation Youth Prize.
5. Agree that my submission becomes property of the Asia Society and I must obtain written permission for its replication or distribution other than for personal use.
6. Agree to the promotional use of your name, likeness, and contest entry by Asia Society, including the posting of the winning entries on Asia Society websites.
7. Not be the family member of a Goldman Sachs employee, Asia Society employee, or jury member; nor a student in a school in Asia Society's International Studies Schools Network.

Award: Five high school youth awards of up to \$10,000 each. (Additional awards of \$25,000 in four categories: Elementary/Middle Schools, High School, District/State, and Media/Technology. 2009 Prize competition in these categories will be announced in September and applications will be due in December.)

Contact: <http://askasia.org/students/gsfprizes.html>

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

Governor Minner Biotech Scholarship Fund

Deadline: April 15

Eligibility: Recipient 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 that 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: See your college/university department chair; download application from the Delaware Community Foundation website at www.delcf.org; or contact:
Richard A. Gentsch, Executive Vice President
Delaware Community Foundation
PO Box 1636
Wilmington, De 19899
302-571-8004
rgentsch@delcf.org

Harlequin Dance Scholarship Program

Deadline: Must be postmarked not later than November 1, 2008

Eligibility: Dance instructors must nominate the applicant and submit all required information on the official application. Nominees must be U.S. or Canadian citizens 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)
\$3,000 (two awards)
\$2,000 (three awards)
\$1,000 (two awards)
\$500 (twelve awards)

Contact: Application form available online at www.harlequinfloors.com.

The William H. Heald Scholarships

Deadline: Application must be requested by January 1, 2009, and submitted by January 31, 2009.

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 15.

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

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

Contact: Cape Henlopen or Dover High School guidance office, or:
Richard Gentsch, Executive Vice President
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PO Box 1636
Wilmington, DE 19899
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rgentsch@delcf.org
www.delcf.org

**Hispanic Scholarship Fund (HSF)
General College Scholarship Program**

Deadline: February 18, 2009

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 2009–10 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: Application available online at www.hsf.net.

Harold Holland Scholarship Fund

Deadline: Applications must be submitted to school guidance counselor by April 15.

Eligibility: Must attend a Western Sussex County school and be recommended by a guidance counselor or teacher based on citizenship qualities, work ethic, and service to the community. Must write an essay.

Award: Varies; one-time award

Contact: Your high school guidance counselor, or:
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Delaware Community Foundation
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rgentsch@delcf.org
www.delcf.org

Holocaust Remembrance Project Essay Contest

Deadline: Information about the 2009 contest will be available online in October 2008.

Eligibility: National essay contest for high school students designed to encourage and promote study of the Holocaust.

Award: Scholarships and other prizes awarded to students in first, second, and third place categories. First-place winners participate in all-expense-paid trip to Washington, DC, to visit the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum and other historic sites. Scholarships of up to \$10,000 awarded to first-place national winners.

Contact: www.holocaust.hklaw.com

Institute of Food Technologists (IFT) Freshman Scholarships

Deadline: February 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/technology. Must have a 3.0 GPA or higher.

Scholarships are also available for college sophomores, juniors, seniors, and graduate students.

Award: \$1,000 (15 awards)

Contact: Applications for 2009–10 will be available online at www.ift.org in October 2008.

Insurance Women of Northern Delaware Scholarship

Deadline: May 1 (tentative)

Eligibility: Graduating senior of a New Castle County high school. Must be enrolled in a college or university majoring in the field of business.

Award: \$1,000

Contact: Mary Jane O'Tormey
7114 Wayne Ave.
Upper Darby, PA 19082
302-655-0800
302-656-1774 (fax)
mjo@wilmingtoninsco.com

Intel International Science and Engineering Fair

Eligibility: Intel ISEF is the culminating event in a series of local, regional, and state science fairs. Students 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: Awards range from scholarships (up to \$50,000), scientific field trips, summer research internship, and equipment.

Contact: For a copy of the Intel ISEF Rulebook, please visit our website at www.societyforscience.org or email us at sciedu@societyforscience.org.

Intel Science Talent Search

Deadline: November 19, 2008, 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. Awards are based on the project, completed Facts and Official Entry Form, interviews with judges, high school records, national test scores, and recommendations from high school teachers. Forty finalists participate in the week-long Science Talent Institute in Washington, DC, where final interviews occur.

Award: \$5,000 to \$100,000 for the top prize

Contact: For a copy of the Facts and Official Entry Book, please visit our website at www.societyforscience.org or email us at sciedu@societyforscience.org.

Janosik Family Scholarship Fund

Deadline: Applications must be submitted to school guidance counselor by April 15.

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: Your guidance 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

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.

Junior Achievement Scholarship

Deadline: Deadline for local chapter scholarships is July 1
Deadlines for national scholarships vary

Eligibility: Students involved in Junior Achievement. Various programs at local and national levels; requirements vary for each program.

Award: Local chapter scholarships: \$500 to \$1,000
National scholarships: Vary from \$500 to \$5,000; several provide full tuition as specific institutions

Contact: Junior Achievement of Delaware, Inc.
522 S. Walnut St.
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-654-4510
local: <http://delaware.ja.org>
national: www.ja.org/programs/programs_schol.shtml

John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest

Deadline: Saturday, January 10, 2009

Eligibility: Open to U.S. high school students in grades 9 through 12 attending public, parochial, or homeschools. All students must have a nominating teacher. Samples of winning essays from past years and resources to help you write your essay are available online. Students are encouraged to visit the website early to read the contest information and requirements before preparing their essay.

Award:

- First Place: \$5,000 and an invitation to accept his/her award at Profile in Courage Award ceremony held at the John F. Kennedy Presidential Library in Boston in May 2009
- Second Place: \$1,000
- Up to five finalists: \$500
- 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.jfklibrary.org

Kent County Association for Family and Community Education Scholarship

Deadline: June 1

Eligibility: Kent County student planning to enroll at the University of Delaware, Delaware State University, Delaware Technical & Community College, Wesley College, or Wilmington College 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

Kraft Foods Global, Inc. Scholarship Program

Deadline: November 30

Eligibility: High school seniors who have a parent employed full-time by Kraft Foods Global, Inc., or one of its operating units.

Contact: Ask your parent to contact the Human Resources Department at work.

Bob LaPrad Scholarship

Deadline: April 15

Eligibility: Must be admitted to Delaware Technical & Community College (Owens Campus) and reside at a zip code address located west of U.S. 113 in Sussex County, Delaware. Must have chosen a major in the area of technology/engineering.

Award: Varies; one-time award

Contact: Your high school guidance 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

LEAGUE Foundation Scholarships

Deadline: Applications accepted January through April of each year

Eligibility: Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender, or Intersex high school seniors graduating in the year of their application who have excelled academically, show community involvement, and have been accepted at an accredited institution of higher learning. Applicant should have a 3.0 or better GPA on a 4.0 scale.

Award:

- Matthew Shepard Memorial Scholarship: \$2,500
- Laurel Hester Memorial Scholarship: \$2,500
- LEAGUE Foundation Scholarships: \$1,500

Contact: www.LEAGUEFoundation.org
National contact: Charles Eader, Executive Director
info@LEAGUEFoundation.org or 908-234-7484

Robert "Boysie" Lowery Scholarship

Deadline: Applications reviewed quarterly

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

Award: Varies

Contact: Christina Cultural Arts Center, Inc.
705 Market St.
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-652-0101

John B. Lynch Scholarship Foundation

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

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
tb@primaryimmune.org
www.primaryimmune.org

Marine Technology Society Scholarships

Deadline: Application period opens in February 2009 and closes mid-April 2009.

Eligibility: High school seniors (as well as college undergraduates and graduate students) who plan to study a marine science/engineering/technology field and who have been accepted into a full-time college curriculum. Scholarships available for both MTS and non-MTS members.

Award:

- \$2,000
- up to \$10,000 for ROV (Remotely Operated Vehicles) Scholarships

Contact: suzanne.voelker@mtsociety.org
410-884-5330
www.mtsociety.org

Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund

Deadline: Deadlines set by participating colleges

Eligibility: Students interested in applying for a TMSF Scholarship must:

- be a citizen of the United States of America;
- be a full-time student pursuing a degree in any discipline at one of the 47 TMSF member schools;
- demonstrate commitment to academic excellence and community service with a high school GPA of not less than 3.0; a combined verbal/math SAT score of 1650 or more or an ACT score of 25 or higher;
- be recommended by your high school as academically exceptional or outstanding in the creative and performing arts;
- demonstrate financial need; and
- maintain not less than 3.0 GPA each year for the duration of the scholarship.

Award: Average approximately \$2,200/student/semester. Restricted to payment of tuition, room and board, books, and fees.

Contact: Applications are available from the TMSF Scholarship Coordinator on campus at the 47 member schools. Participating colleges are listed online at www.thurgoodmarshallfund.org.

Ronald McDonald House Charities/African American Future Achievers Scholarship Program

Deadline: February 2009

Eligibility: High school seniors who have at least one parent of African American heritage and reside within Kent or New Castle Counties. Recipients are chosen on the basis of academic excellence, service to their community, and financial need.

Award: \$1,000

Contact: McDonald's Education Hotline 215-790-4320
mmccottry@tierneyagency.com
 Local restaurants can provide additional information and applications.

Ronald McDonald House Charities/Hispanic American Commitment to Education Resources (RMHC/HACER) Scholarship Program

Deadline: February 2009

Eligibility: High school seniors who have at least one parent of Hispanic American heritage and reside within Kent or New Castle Counties. Recipients are chosen on the basis of academic excellence, service to their community, and financial need.

Award: \$1,000

Contact: McDonald's Education Hotline 215-790-4320
jslobotkin@tierneyagency.com
 Local restaurants can provide additional information and applications.

Ronald McDonald House Charities/Scholars Scholarship Program

Deadline: February 2009

Eligibility: High school seniors who reside within Kent or New Castle Counties. Recipients are chosen on the basis of academic excellence, service to their community, and financial need.

Award: \$1,000

Contact: McDonald's Education Hotline 215-790-4320
 Local restaurants can provide additional information and applications.

Keisha M. Michael Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: April 10, 2009

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

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: Ladies ages 17 to 24.

Award: \$200 to \$100,000

Contact: Dulcena Kemmerlin, Director of Entries
 302-424-1960 or kemmer32@hotmail.com
www.missde.org

**Morris James LLP, Attorneys-at-Law
Personal Injury Group Scholarship Program**

Deadline: Postmarked by February 20, 2009

Eligibility: Senior in a Delaware high school planning to attend a two- or four-year college or university full-time. Submit essay: "If you had the power as Governor of the State of Delaware to design an incentive for young drivers to refrain from distracted driving (i.e., using cell phones, text messaging, listening to MP3 players, talking with passengers, etc.), what would your incentive be and how would you implement it?" Essays are to be between 500-1000 words. (See Rules & Regulations for all requirements.) All Essays must be accompanied by an Application.

Award: Three \$1000 First-Place winners (one from New Castle, Kent, and Sussex Counties)
Three \$500 Second-Place winners (one from New Castle, Kent, and Sussex Counties)

Contact: Application and Rules & Regulations are available on our website at morrisjamespersonalinjurylawyers.com, or can be obtained by contacting:
Cathy Bukowski
Morris James LLP
16 Polly Drummond Hill Rd.
Newark, DE 19711
302-451-1135
cbukowski@morrisjames.com

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: Mid-April

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
302-539-2100, ext. 25
www.qrcf.org

NASA—Delaware Space Grant College Undergraduate Tuition Awards

Deadline: April 1

Eligibility: Undergraduates enrolled full-time at the following member institutions: University of Delaware, Delaware State University, Delaware Technical & Community College, Swarthmore College, Villanova University, or Wilmington University. These tuition awards are awarded annually to highly qualified undergraduate students in the fields of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and geography (STEM-G). Minority and women candidates are especially encouraged to apply. Applicants must be U.S. citizens.

Award: \$3,000, competitively renewed
Contact: Delaware Space Grant Consortium
Department of Physics and Astronomy
University of Delaware, 106 Sharp Lab
Newark, DE 19716
302-831-1094
302-831-1843 (fax)
desgc@bartol.udel.edu
www.delspace.org

National Association of Hispanic Journalists Scholarships

Eligibility: Various scholarships for current high school seniors, college undergraduates, and first-year graduate students who are pursuing careers as print, photo, broadcast, or online journalists. Must attend a community college or university in the U.S. or Puerto Rico full-time for the entire academic year. Selection based on the following criteria: commitment to the field of journalism, academic achievement, financial need, and awareness of the Latino community.

Award: \$1,000 to \$5,000
Contact: Scholarship program information and application available online at www.nahj.org.

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.
• Can be male or female at least 17 years of age or older
• Recipients must maintain a 2.5 GPA

Award: \$500 to \$2,000
Contact: Application is available online at www.nawicde.org.
Jacqueline A. Pawlowski
% Wohlsen Construction Company
18 Boulden Circle, Ste. 16
New Castle, DE 19702
302-324-9900
302-324-9954 (fax)
jpawlowski@wohlsen.com

National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Delaware Chapter

Deadline: Mid-May. 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. Students must be residents of the State of Delaware, complete the application, and demonstrate commitment to community service.

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

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 after November 1, 2008, and due January 31, 2009.

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: \$3,000 (number of awards varies); \$5,000 (four awards); \$12,000 (one award)
- Merit scholarships: \$1,000 (number of awards varies)

Contact: www.nesa.org/scholarships.html

National FFA Collegiate Scholarship Program

Deadline: February 15, 2009

Eligibility: Visit the FFA website at www.ffa.org after November 15, 2008, for scholarship details and applications. Cargill and Monsanto scholarships available to non-FFA members meeting sponsor criteria.

National Foundation for Women Legislators/National Rifle Association (NFWL/NRA) Annual Scholarship

Deadline: June 2009. Deadline alternates annually between September and June.

Eligibility: High school junior or senior. Essay required on a selected Bill of Rights topic. Instructions available online in early spring 2009.

Award: \$3,000 (and travel expenses to the NFWL Annual Conference in the fall)

Contact: Scholarship Committee
NFWL
910 16th St., NW, #100
Washington, DC 20006
202-293-3040, ext. 1006
202-293-5430 (fax)
scholarships@womenlegislators.org
www.womenlegislators.org

National Honor Society Scholarships

Deadline: Nomination forms will be mailed to all active NHS chapter advisers in early November with a postmark deadline of January 16, 2009.

Eligibility: Each affiliated NHS chapter may nominate two seniors to compete for the national awards. Students are selected based on demonstrated outstanding scholarship, leadership, service, and character. Must write a narrative in response to a selected question. Sponsored by the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP).

Award: 150 state finalist awards: \$1,000

53 state winners: \$1,500

9 regional winners: \$2,500

1 national winner: \$13,000

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

National Peace Essay Contest

Deadline: Postmarked by February 1, 2009

Eligibility: Students in grades 9 through 12 may take part in the contest with the sponsorship of a coordinator—parent, teacher, school club, youth group, community group, or religious organization. There must be a contest coordinator who can review essays and act as the key contact between participants and the Institute. For the 2008–09 contest, students must write a 1500-word essay discussing “how international actors (the UN, regional organizations, governments, and/or non-governmental organizations) can improve their capacity to implement the responsibility to protect civilians from crimes against humanity during conflict.”

Award: 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 awards program in Washington, DC, in June 2009.

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

National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation Academic Scholarships for Undergraduate Students

Deadline: October 31, 2008

Eligibility: To qualify for a scholarship, applicants must:

- be a citizen or permanent resident of the U.S. or be a resident of American Samoa, Guam, Puerto Rico, or the U.S. Virgin Islands,
- be a college student who is currently enrolled full-time or substantial part-time (minimum of 9 credit hours) in an accredited culinary school, college, or university,
- **have completed at least one grading term of your college or postsecondary program,**
- verify work experience, and
- be enrolled for two consecutive semesters or not be entering your last semester before graduating.

Award: \$2,000

Contact: www.nraef.org/scholarships/undergraduate

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 \$3,000 (national)

Contact: See your guidance counselor or senior advisor.

New Castle County Alumni Chapter of Delaware State University

Deadline: April 3, 2009

Eligibility: Resident of New Castle County. Must provide proof of acceptance to Delaware State University or be currently enrolled. Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5.

Award: Six renewable scholarships of \$1,000

Contact: High school guidance counselor, or:
Ned Brown, Jr.
95 Pear Blossom Ln.
Camden, DE 19934
302-593-6203
NedBrown01@comcast.net

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
302-831-4261 (fax)
jmkent@udel.edu

J.D. O'Connor Scholarship Fund

Deadline: April 15

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: Your guidance 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

Patrick James O'Hanlon Trust Fund

Deadline: February 20

Eligibility: Delaware high school students' 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: \$500 to \$1,000

Contact: See your high school guidance counselor or scholarship coordinator. (Administered by the Irish Culture Club of Delaware.)

Perdue Scholarship

Deadline: January 31

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

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

Poetry Out Loud: National Recitation Contest

Deadline: Early fall 2008

Eligibility: Delaware resident attending a Delaware public, private, or parochial high school (grades 9-12). Students must participate in a school-based recitation competition and be selected to represent their school at the state finals in spring 2009.

Award: Awards in 2007-08:
State winner, \$200
National winner, \$20,000 scholarship

Contact: Sheila Dean Ross
Delaware Division of the Arts
820 N. French St.
Wilmington, DE 19801
sheila.ross@state.de.us
302-577-8286
302-577-6561 (fax)
www.poetryoutloud.org
www.artsdel.org

Port of Wilmington Maritime Society Scholarship

Deadline: Application must be received by 4:30 p.m. on April 24, 2009. Must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at least two weeks 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 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 (up to two awards/year); award recipients may reapply annually

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

Paper applications are available upon request.
 Delaware Higher Education Commission
 Carvel State Office Bldg.
 820 N. French St.
 Wilmington, DE 19801
 302-577-5240
 800-292-7935 (toll-free outside New Castle County)
 302-577-6765 (fax)
dhec@doe.k12.de.us
www.doe.k12.de.us/dhec

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 Fl.
 Wilmington, DE 19801
 302-429-1186

Wilbur E. Postles Scholarship

Deadline: May 9

Eligibility: Applicants must 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 Fl.
 Wilmington, DE 19801
 302-429-1186

Principal's Leadership Award

Deadline: Nomination forms for the 2008-2009 competition will be mailed to all high school principals and available online in early October. Postmark deadline for submitting nominations is December 5, 2008.

Eligibility: High school principals may nominate one outstanding student leader from the senior class. Nominees are selected on the basis of their leadership skills, participation in service organizations and clubs, achievements in the arts and sciences, employment experience, and academic record. Must write an essay. Co-sponsored by Herff Jones, Inc. and the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP).

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

\$12,000: National Winner

\$8,500: National Finalist

\$5,000: National Semi-Finalist

\$1,500: Regional Winners

Contact: NASSP at 703-860-7252

www.principals.org

Print and Graphic Scholarship Foundation (PGSF)

Deadline: March 1: High school seniors

April 1: College students

Eligibility: High school senior, high school graduate, or college student interested in a career in graphic communications, enrolled full-time in a two- or four-year college program and able to maintain a 3.0 GPA. Applicants are judged on the basis of their academic records, rank in class, recommendations, academic honors, and extracurricular interests.

Award: Varies from \$500 to \$5,000/year for up to four years (approximately 300 awards)

Contact: Print and Graphics Scholarship Foundation

200 Deer Run Rd.

Sewickley, PA 15143-2600

412-259-1740

800-910-GATF

412-741-2311 (fax)

pgsf@gatf.org

www.pgsf.org

Prudential Spirit of Community Awards

Deadline: October 31, 2008

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 in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP).

Award:

- Local Honorees 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 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.
- 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: www.prudential.com/spirit
www.principals.org/prudential

Dr. Joseph P. Pyle Scholarship

Deadline: March 1

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: Varies at the discretion of the Selection Committee. (\$15,000 awarded in 2006 to be spread over a four-year period.)

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

Quiet Resorts Charitable Foundation Scholarships

Deadline: Usually mid-April; varies slightly each year

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
302-539-2100, ext. 25
www.qrcf.org

Ayn Rand *The Fountainhead* Essay Contest

Deadline: April 25, 2009

Eligibility: Entrants must be in the eleventh or twelfth 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 and psychological meaning of *The Fountainhead*. The Ayn Rand Institute also sponsors essay contests for students in the ninth and tenth grades and college students.

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.

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/Dolly_Reed_Scholarship.pdf

A. Katharine Richards Scholarship

Deadline: April 26

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 Fl.
Wilmington, DE 19801
302-429-1186

Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship Program

Deadline: Application process will begin in October 2008 for the class of 2009.

Eligibility: Applicants must:

- be a high school senior planning to attend a four-year accredited college or university in the United States,
- be a minority student and a citizen of the United States.
- have demonstrated high academic achievement and financial need.
- show evidence of leadership potential and interest in their communities

Award: Up to \$7,500/year

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

The Rotary Club of Wilmington

Deadline: April 27, 2009

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

- A resident of New Castle County
- 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
- 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

Joseph B. Schafferman, Sr. Memorial Scholarship Fund

Deadline: February 15, 2009

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: Visit www.artandwriting.org in October to learn how to submit for The Scholastic Art & Writing Awards of 2009. Regional instructions and deadlines vary.

Eligibility: Young artists and writers currently enrolled in grades 7 to 12 at a public, private, parochial, or homeschool in the U.S. may submit work in a number of visual art and writing categories. Students initially submit their entries to their regional affiliate. Judges look for works that best exemplify originality, technical proficiency, and the emergence of an authentic voice and vision.

- Award:**
- At the regional level, students receive awards and exhibition opportunities. Some regional affiliates award local scholarships and cash awards.
 - In 2008, 1,200 young artists and writers across the country were selected for national awards.
 - Portfolio Gold Awards: 12 cash grants of \$10,000 for graduating seniors.
 - Portfolio Silver Awards and Notable Achievement Awards: Graduating seniors with outstanding portfolios in art and photography may be eligible for financial aid through a network of eighty art institutes, colleges, and universities.

Contact: Scholastic Art & Writing Awards
557 Broadway
New York, NY 10012-3999
212-343-6100
A&Wgeneralinfo@Scholastic.com
www.artandwriting.org

Siemens Competition in Math, Science & Technology

Deadline: Submission deadline is October 1, 2008, 5 p.m. ET

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, 2009. Teams may have a total of two or three members and do not need to include a senior. Judging based on display originality, creativity, academic rigor, and clarity of communication. Established 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.siemens-foundation.org

6th District Community Service Scholarship Award

Deadline: February 28, 2009

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: Cynthia Ferguson
331 7th Ave.
Wilmington, DE 19899
302-888-2020

John A. & Marion B. Smitheman Fund

Deadline: Application must be submitted to Delaware Community Foundation by April 15.

Eligibility: Kent County public high school seniors who plan 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: Your high school guidance 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

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 Plastics Engineers Foundation Scholarship Program

Deadline: January 15, 2009

Eligibility: Must be majoring in or taking courses that would be beneficial to a career in the plastics industry, including (but 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 undergraduate and graduate 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: Applications available online, or contact:
The SPE Foundation
14 Fairfield Dr.
Brookfield, CT 06804
203-740-5447
foundation@4spe.org
www.4spe.org/foundation

Society of Women Engineers Freshman Scholarship Program

Eligibility: Incoming freshman women majoring in engineering, engineering technology, or computer science in an ABET-accredited baccalaureate program. Various scholarships with specific requirements. Scholarships are also available for undergraduate and graduate students.

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

Contact: Application information for the 2009–10 academic year will be available online in December 2008.
Society of Women Engineers Headquarters
230 E. Ohio St., Ste. 400
Chicago, IL 60611-3265
312-596-5223
312-596-5252 (fax)
scholarshipapplication@swe.org
societyofwomenengineers.swe.org

Margaret A. Stafford Nursing Scholarship

Deadline: April 15

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: Your guidance 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

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 19

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 Fl.
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.swissbenevolentny.com

George A. Thompson Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: Mid-March

Eligibility: Applicant must live in New Castle County, Delaware; be graduating from a public high school in New Castle County; and attend a college or university as a full-time student. See website for details.

Award: Provides funds to be applied to tuition for eight semesters in the amount of \$500/semester (limited to 2 semesters/year) at any college or university selected by the student.

Contact: Applications and additional information can be found online at www.christianarotary.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. Applicants must meet the basic eligibility requirements: minimum GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale; have unmet financial need verified by the university financial aid office; and complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Other eligibility criteria may be required. Students can also search online for both UNCF and non-UNCF scholarships, which have their own eligibility requirements.

Award: Varies

Contact: www.uncf.org

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

Deadline: Mid-March

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 2009–10 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 direct educational expenses; must reapply annually

Contact: Application will be available online at www.afas.org fall 2008.

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: December 1

Eligibility: High school senior; 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. Additional merit- and need-based housing assistance available for University of Delaware Army ROTC scholarship winners.

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

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

Deadline: Application available online November 1, 2008 and due by March 1, 2009.

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, unmarried for the entire academic year, and registered in DEERS. Must enroll full-time in at a school accredited by the U.S. Department of Education. 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., Rm. 5N13
Alexandria VA 22332-0600
aerhq@aerhq.org
www.aerhq.org

United States Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation

Deadline: March 1, 2009, for high school seniors graduating in 2009

Eligibility: Sons and daughters of current or former U.S. Marines who are high school graduates or undergraduates studying for a first bachelor's degree at an accredited college or vocational/technical institution. Must have at least a 2.0 GPA. Maximum family adjusted gross income cannot exceed \$79,500 (increases by \$10,000 if applicant's sibling also applies). There is limited eligibility for grandchildren.

Award: One year scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$15,000. Current recipients must reapply each year and are limited to a total of four awards.

Contact: Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation, Inc.
PO Box 3008
Princeton, NJ 08543-3008
800-292-7777
mcsfnj@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.edu

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/index.cfm>

United States Senate Youth Program

Deadline: October 2008 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 by academic record; demonstrated leadership and participation in school and community activities; honors; work experience; statement of goals and aspirations; unusual personal or family circumstances; letter of recommendation; 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, 2008

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 essay on the 2008–09 theme, “Service and Sacrifice by America’s Veterans Benefit Today’s Youth by...” Audio essays are judged on originality, content, and delivery. Complete competition rules available online at www.vfw.org.

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 in April to tour the city, meet our nation’s leaders, be honored by the VFW and its Ladies Auxiliary and receive their portion of \$148,000 in national awards. The top scholarship is \$30,000.

Contact: Entries must be sponsored by a VFW post. To find a local VFW Post, you can search online at www.vfw.org call the Voice of Democracy National Office at 816-968-1117.

Wal-Mart Foundation Scholarships

Deadline: Information available online in November 2008 for fall 2009 scholarships

Eligibility: This year Wal-Mart Foundation will award students more than \$8 million through three programs—the Wal-Mart ASSOCIATE, Higher REACH, and Sam Walton COMMUNITY scholarships—to help students live better lives via continued education.

Contact: www.walmartfoundation.org

Washington Crossing Foundation Annual National Scholarship

Deadline: January 15

Eligibility: High school seniors planning careers of service in the United States’ local, state or federal government. Must also be U.S. citizen.

Award: \$500 to \$7,500

Contact: For brochure, send self-addressed, stamped envelope to:
 Eugene C. Fish, Esq.
 Vice Chairman
 Washington Crossing Foundation
 PO Box 503
 Levittown, PA 19058
 215-949-8841
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:

- \$1,000 scholarship (two awards)
- \$250 scholarship (two awards)

Contact: High school guidance counselor

David R. Williams Odyssey of the Mind 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: Pamela Swain
 Odyssey of the Mind
 39 South Horseshoe Dr.
 Milford, DE 19963
 302-424-4577
pamswain@verizon.com
www.delcaps.org

Wilmington Gateway Lions Club

Deadline: April 10, 2009

Eligibility: High school senior who is a resident of the City of Wilmington. Must provide proof of acceptance to a college or university in the United States and have a cumulative GPA of 2.5.

Award: Four renewable scholarships of \$500

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

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, visit www.xerox.com. Type "scholarship" in the search window and under results select "Technical Minority Scholarship."

Youth Opportunity Scholarship Fund

Deadline: April 15

Eligibility: Potential recipient will have experienced a chronic illness, which has 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: Applications can be downloaded from the Delaware Community Foundation website at www.delcf.org. For more information, 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
www.delcf.org

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

Deadline: January 31, 2009

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: Director of Scholarship Programs
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated
Epsilon Rho Zeta Chapter
PO Box 84
Bear, DE 19701
scholarship@zphib1920epz.org
www.zphib1920epz.org

Scholarship Scams

Need money for college? Check with your school guidance counselor or local librarian for free information about current scholarships before you pay someone for the same—or similar—scholarship lists. 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. Check with your school or library before you decide to pay someone to do the work for you.
- 3. May I have 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 apply for scholarships or grants yourself.
- 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

Section 4:

Delaware

Financial Aid Programs

The following programs, unless otherwise noted, are funded by the State of Delaware, administered by the Delaware Higher Education Commission, and require **Delaware residency** and U.S. citizenship or eligible non-citizenship status. Students can **apply online** for programs administered by the Commission; paper applications are available upon request.

For more information, contact:

Delaware Higher Education Commission

Carvel State Office Bldg.

820 N. French St.

Wilmington, DE 19801

302-577-5240

800-292-7935 (toll-free outside New Castle County)

302-577-6765 (fax)

dhec@doe.k12.de.us

www.doe.k12.de.us/dhec

UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE GRANTS

Need-based awards—not repaid

SCHOLARSHIP INCENTIVE PROGRAM (SCIP)

Deadline: Delaware residents will be considered for SCIP if their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is 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.

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.
- Graduate students attending a public college in Delaware are **not** eligible.
- Certificate programs are **not** eligible.
- Have a minimum cumulative, unweighted GPA of 2.5.

Award: 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

EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS FOR CHILDREN OF DECEASED VETERANS AND OTHERS

Deadline: Application due at least four weeks before classes begin.

Eligibility:

- Applicant must have been a resident of Delaware for three or more consecutive years prior to the date of application. If the 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 between the ages of 16 and 24.
- Must be the child of one of the following: (1) member of the armed forces whose cause of death was service-related; (2) member of the armed forces who is being held or was held as a prisoner of war; (3) member of the armed forces who is officially declared missing in action; (4) state police officer whose cause of death was service-related; or (5) 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: Award is 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. Award will be prorated for eligible students who choose to attend an institution that is out of this sequence.

GOVERNOR'S WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT GRANT

Deadline: Must apply by the end of the free drop/add period each term.

Eligibility: Delaware residents who are 18 and older; enrolled part-time (11 credits or less) in any undergraduate program of study at a participating college in Delaware; and meet the following employment and income requirements:

- You must be employed by a company in Delaware that contributes to the Blue Collar Training Fund Program (<http://dedo.delaware.gov/delawareworkforce/bluecollar.shtml>).
- **Employees of government agencies, hospitals, and nonprofit agencies are not eligible.**
- Any part-time or temporary employment at an **eligible** company qualifies.
- If employed full-time, you must work for an **eligible** small business with 100 or fewer employees.
- Individual annual income cannot exceed \$40,608 (limit is increased for individuals with dependents).
- Academic progress is considered when reapplying.

Participating colleges are Delaware College of Art & Design, Delaware State University, Delaware Technical & Community College, Goldey-Beacom College, University of Delaware, Wesley College, Widener University (Delaware Campus), and Wilmington University (all campuses).

Award: Grant pays 65% of tuition and fees up to \$2,000/year. Participating colleges reduce tuition and fees by 10%. Grants for summer sessions are dependent upon funding. Students who receive any other scholarships or grants for their educational expenses are not eligible.

ACADEMIC MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR DELAWARE PUBLIC COLLEGES

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: February 6, 2009 4:30 p.m. Must file Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) prior to application deadline.

Eligibility: High school seniors who rank in upper quarter of class, have a combined score of 1800 on the SAT, and 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: March 13, 2009, 4:30 p.m. Must file Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) prior to application deadline.

Eligibility: High school seniors who rank in upper half of class, have a 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 will be 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: March 13, 2009, 4:30 p.m. Must file Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) prior to application deadline.

Eligibility: High school seniors who rank in upper half of class, have a combined score of 1350 on the SAT, and 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.

Delaware SEED Scholarship Program

Please turn to **page 28** for information about the Delaware SEED (Student Excellence Equals Degree) Scholarship Program for students who stay in school, work hard, and stay out of trouble.

SEED provides tuition for eligible students enrolling full-time in an associate degree program at Delaware Technical & Community College (www.dtcc.edu/seed) or the University of Delaware's Associate in Arts program (www.udel.edu/associateinarts/SEED).

Application procedures and deadlines are set by the enrolling institution.

ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS FOR REGIONALLY ACCREDITED COLLEGES

Merit-based awards for high school seniors—not repaid

ROBERT C. BYRD HONORS SCHOLARSHIP

In honor of the U.S. Senator representing West Virginia

Deadline: March 27, 2009, 4:30 p.m.

Eligibility: High school seniors who rank in upper quarter of class or GED recipients with minimum score of 300, have a combined score of 1800 on the SAT, and enroll full-time at a nonprofit, regionally accredited college.

Award: \$1,500/year. Renewable for up to three additional years with satisfactory academic progress. Approximately 20 awards/year. Program dependent upon federal funding.

DIAMOND STATE SCHOLARSHIP

Deadline: March 27, 2009, 4:30 p.m.

Eligibility: High school seniors who rank in upper quarter of class, have a combined score of 1800 on the SAT, and 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.

MICHAEL C. FERGUSON ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Merit-based award for 8th- and 10th-graders—not repaid

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

Eligibility: Up to 150 8th- and 150 10th-grade students who demonstrate superior performance on the Delaware Student Testing Program (DSTP) in reading, writing, and mathematics will be awarded scholarships annually. Half of the scholarships in each class will be awarded to students who participate in the free and reduced lunch program.

Award: \$1,000/each category. Nonrenewable. Award must be used within five years of graduation from high school. Recipients are announced annually by the Higher Education Commission.

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 State University of New York (SUNY) Maritime College.

Award: Tuition at New York resident rate. A separate application is not required to receive the tuition savings.

Contact: For more information, contact:
SUNY Maritime College
6 Pennyfield Ave.
Throggs Neck, NY 10465
Admissions: 718-409-7200
www.sunymaritime.edu

UNDERGRADUATE PROFESSIONAL INCENTIVE PROGRAMS

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

DELAWARE NURSING INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Deadline: March 27, 2009, 4:30 p.m.

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 (Governor Bacon Health Center, Emily P. Bissell Hospital, Delaware Hospital for the Chronically Ill, Delaware Psychiatric Center, and Stockley Center) for one year of loan.

CHRISTA MCAULIFFE TEACHER INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Deadline: March 27, 2009, 4:30 p.m.

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 TEACHER CORPS

Deadline: March 27, 2009, 4:30 p.m.

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 middle or high school for one year of loan.

ACADEMIC COMMON MARKET

Regional tuition-savings agreement

The Academic Common Market (ACM) is a tuition-savings agreement between the 16 southern states that are members of the Southern Regional Education Board (SREB).

If your program of study is not offered at the University of Delaware or Delaware State University, 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:

- a Delaware resident and U.S. citizen or eligible noncitizen whose degree program is not offered at a public college in Delaware, and
- accepted to an eligible baccalaureate or graduate-level degree program that has been selected for the ACM by a participating public college.

In addition to Delaware, the **SREB member states** are:

Alabama	North Carolina*
Arkansas	Oklahoma
Florida*	South Carolina
Georgia	Tennessee
Kentucky	Texas*
Louisiana	Virginia
Maryland	West Virginia
Mississippi	

*Offers graduate-level programs only

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

The ACM provides tuition savings for baccalaureate and graduate-level programs of study. **It does not include first professional degree programs—such as pharmacy, medicine, veterinary medicine, dentistry, optometry, theology, or law.**

You can submit your ACM application to the Higher Education Commission **after** you have been accepted to an eligible program of study. Colleges set their own deadlines for ACM applications; students who miss the institutional deadline may have to wait for the next term to receive their savings.

Students and parents are encouraged to call the Commission if they have any questions about the eligibility of a program or if their program is not currently offered in the ACM. Participating colleges will sometimes add a program upon request.

Information about participating colleges, eligible programs for Delaware residents, and application procedures can be found online at www.doe.k12.de.us/dhec.

GRADUATE PROFESSIONAL INCENTIVE PROGRAMS

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

LIBRARIAN AND ARCHIVIST INCENTIVE PROGRAM

- Deadline:** March 27, 2009, 4:30 p.m. 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.
- Award:** Loan not to exceed cost of tuition, fees, and other direct educational expenses. Renewable for one additional year. Loan forgiveness provision at a rate of two years of employment as a librarian or archivist in a public library, public school library, or state agency in Delaware for one year of loan.

OPTOMETRY INCENTIVE PROGRAM

- Deadline:** March 27, 2009, 4:30 p.m.
- Eligibility:** Full-time students enrolled in a program preparing them for licensure as an optometrist in Delaware.
- Award:** Loan of \$4,000/year. 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.

SPEECH/LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST INCENTIVE PROGRAM

- Deadline:** March 27, 2009, 4:30 p.m.
- Eligibility:** Full-time students in a graduate program preparing them for a speech/language pathologist license. Employees of Delaware public schools or a provider of the Birth to 3 Early Intervention System program (www.dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/dms/epqc/birth3/directry.html) may enroll part-time.
- 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.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR TEACHERS

Financial assistance for professional development

CRITICAL NEED SCHOLARSHIP

- Deadline:** January 23, 2009, 4:30 p.m., for fall 2008 semester
June 12, 2009, 4:30 p.m., for spring 2009 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 may reimburse teachers for all or part of tuition and registration fee paid for up to three credits/term (fall and spring) of coursework that will enable them to achieve Standard Certification. 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:** Tuition for up to three credits in the fall and spring semesters. If demand exceeds available funding, awards will be prorated.
- Contact:** School district or charter school of employment.

DELAWARE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

State professional association recruitment programs

HELEN H. BENNETT SCHOLARSHIP

- Deadline:** March 1
- Eligibility:** Scholarship intended to assist a person working for library certification or a master's degree in library science. Must agree to work in a school-oriented library in Delaware.
- Contact:** Information available online at www.dla.lib.de.us in January.

GRACE ESTELLE WHEELESS SCHOLARSHIP

- Deadline:** March 1
- Eligibility:** Scholarship awarded to aid Delaware students in library schools or those who have completed college study but need assistance earning their master's degree.
- Contact:** Information available online at www.dla.lib.de.us in January.

CHARLESA LOWELL SCHOLARSHIP

- Deadline:** March 1
- Eligibility:** Recipient must be studying for an ALA-accredited masters degree. Some preference will be given to those who are working or have worked at the Newark Free Library or, lacking such an applicant, those who live in Newark.
- Contact:** Information available online at www.dla.lib.de.us in January.

VETERINARY MEDICINE

Southern Regional Education Board (SREB) Contract Programs— In-state tuition at participating colleges. Funded through the Delaware Institute for Veterinary Medicine Education (DIVME).

OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

- Deadline:** October 1
- Award:** Tuition at the Oklahoma resident rate for up to two Delaware residents accepted to the OSU College of Veterinary Medicine. Must meet and exceed applications of qualified in-state students to be considered for the program.
- Contact:** Information about the OSU program is available online at www.cvhs.okstate.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.

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA COLLEGE OF VETERINARY MEDICINE

- Deadline:** October 1
- Award:** Tuition at the Georgia resident rate for up to two Delaware residents accepted to the UGA College of Veterinary Medicine. Must meet and exceed applications of qualified in-state students to be considered for the program.
- Contact:** Information about the UGA program is available online at 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.

MEDICINE

Reserved admissions and tuition assistance

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. DIMER students receive a Tuition Reduction Stipend of \$1,000 annually applied to their tuition (no application is required) and may also apply for a DIMER Need-Based Scholarship through the college's financial aid office. To be considered for the scholarship, DIMER students must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and any additional paperwork according to the deadlines and requirements of their respective institution's financial aid office.

Contact: Delaware Higher Education Commission, or:
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)
www.dhcc.delaware.gov/information/dimer.shtml

DENTISTRY

Reserved admissions and tuition assistance

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 six qualified dental students from Delaware in each entering class. DIDER will provide \$75,000 each academic year for tuition stipends to be divided among the Delaware residents who attend Temple. Each student from Delaware will receive, at a minimum, a tuition stipend of \$5,000 per academic year; any remaining funds will be allocated based on financial need. To be considered for funds based on need, students must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and any additional paperwork according to the deadlines and requirements of their respective institution's financial aid office. Students must meet Temple University's academic requirements and this program does not guarantee admittance. All Delawareans who are accepted and choose to attend Temple will be automatically admitted to the DIDER program; they are not required to fill out any additional applications.

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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, internal medicine, pediatrics, ob-gyn, general and pediatric psychiatry), medical oncologists, dentists, dental hygienists, certified nurse practitioners, psychiatric nurse specialists, certified nurse midwives, physician assistants, licensed clinical psychologists, licensed clinical social workers, licensed counselors of mental health, and licensed marriage and family counselors. 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 commitment, 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 commitment, or \$52,500 for a three (3) year contract.

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leah.jones@state.de.us
www.dhcc.delaware.gov/services/slrp.shtml

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. The Delaware Plan provides parents, grandparents, and others a tax-advantaged way to save for a child's college education.

The Delaware Plan offers both age-based portfolio and custom strategy investment options. 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.

Visit www.collegesavingstoolkit.com to learn more about saving for college. Enrollment kits and applications are available online at www.fidelity.com/delaware.

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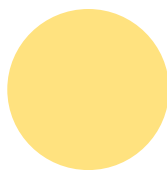
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