

SLOHS COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER REGIONAL, STATE & NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

This is just a few of the state and national scholarships open to all high school seniors. These are NOT scholarships that are restricted to SLO High School graduates. For more opportunities, check out www.fastweb.com, or other free scholarship search engines to assist you in your college financial aid resources. Family Connection through Naviance also provides an extensive National Scholarship Search process on the colleges tab.

This is a best effort for updated information. As always, please refer to the Daily Bulletin or specific Scholarship website for accurate application eligibility & due dates.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES DUE IN SEPTEMBER

Stokes Educational Scholarship Program Deadline September 1st–October 31

Open to high school seniors, particularly minority students, planning to major in computer science or computer/electrical engineering. With the Stoke's Program you will attend college full-time, then work during the summer at NSA's main headquarters in Fort Meade, Maryland, for a minimum of 12 weeks in areas that are related to you course of study. Go to www.NSA.gov/careers for further information.

The Siemens Competition in Math, Science & Technology (STEM) Deadline: September 22

recognizes remarkable talent early on, fostering individual growth for high school students who are willing to challenge themselves through science research. Through this competition, students have an opportunity to achieve national recognition for science research projects that they complete in high school. It is administered by [The College Board](http://www.collegeboard.org) and funded by the Siemens Foundation. <http://www.siemens-foundation.org>. Scholarship for winning projects range from \$1,000-100,000. Children of employees who will complete high school and enroll fulltime in college in 2016 must take the PSAT/NMSQT in the fall of 2014, on the date their school chooses for the administration.

The American Legion Samsung Scholarship Deadline: Please visit website for details.

Scholarship applications are restricted to high school juniors who attend the current session of either the American Legion boys state or Auxiliary Girls state program and are a direct descendant – i.e. child, grandchild, great grandchild, etc. – or a legally adopted child of a wartime veteran who served on active duty during at least one of the periods of war officially designated as eligibility dates for American Legion Membership. Samsung scholarships are for undergraduate study only and may be used for tuition, books, fees, and room and board. Winners are selected according to academic record, involvement in school and community activities, community service and financial need. Applicants who are direct descendants of Korean War veterans will receive special consideration. <http://www.legion.org/scholarships/samsung>

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES DUE IN OCTOBER

Society of Women Engineers Program **Deadline: October 1- January 31**

Contact: www.swe.org, e-mail: hq@swe.org; Eligibility: The minimum GPA is 3.5/4.0 for freshman applicants and 3.0/4.0 for sophomore, junior, senior & graduate applicants. Open to women majoring in engineering; incoming freshmen admitted to a SWE approved school. For additional information and an application please send a self-addressed stamped envelope. Award: \$1,000- \$10,000; renewable.

United States Senate Youth Program **Deadline: October 1**

Contact: <http://www.cde.ca.gov/eo/in/us/>

Established in 1962 by U.S. Senate Resolution, is a unique educational experience for outstanding high school students interested in pursuing careers in public service. The 51st Anniversary program will be held in Washington, D.C., **March 7–14, 2015**. 2 student leaders from each state will spend a week in Washington experiencing their national government in action. Delegates must have been involved with ASB as an officer. All transportation, hotel and meal expenses paid by The Hearst Foundations. Each delegate will be awarded a \$5,000 Scholarship for undergraduate studies, with encouragement to pursue majors in history or political science.

WENDY'S High School HEISMAN Scholarship **Deadline: October 2**

This award honors both male and female high school seniors who excel in academics, athletics and student leadership. Eligibility: must have at least a 3.0 GPA and participates in at least one school-sponsored sport. Applications are available online at www.wendysheisman.com. If SLOHS has a lot of applicants, even the school could win some cash!

AES Engineering Scholarship **Deadline: October 7**

Scholarships are intended for our future leaders across a wide spectrum of fields of study. This award is available to high school seniors and undergraduate students. You are not required to be taking Engineering courses. Students must submit an essay of no more than 1000 words in answer to the following question: *What are your dreams for the future? When you look back in 30 years, what would it take for you to consider your life successful?* Amount of award: \$500
Submit essay to: scholarships@aesengineers.com

National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC) **Deadline: October 8**

Students sign up for scholarship by taking the PSAT/NMSQT in their junior year and are designated as one of 16,000 semifinalists based on test results. Only students who are awarded as semifinalists can win. There are 7,500 finalists awarded. Must be a U.S. citizen. Contact: School Counselor, <http://www.nationalmerit.org/nmsp.php#entryreq> Award: \$2,500.

The Dreamer Challenge Scholarship**Deadline: October 15**

Run by [the California Museum](http://www.california-museum.org) and sponsored by Comcast, this competition asks California high school seniors to describe how their unique dream will change the world. The manifestation of your dream can be entered in a variety of mediums: essay, video, audio recording, artwork, presentation poem etc. Award is \$5000.

<http://www.studentscholarshipsearch.com/scholarships/california-hall-of-fame-dreamers-challenge.php>

College Jump Start Scholarship**Deadline: October 17 and April 15 of each year.**

Applicants must write a 250 word essay on hard work and educational goals. Applicants must be committed to using education to better their life and that of their family and/or community. Apply online at <http://www.jumpstart-scholarship.net/about/> Must plan to attend an accredited 2-year, 4-year or vocational / trade school in the U.S. Awards of \$250, \$750 and \$1,500

National Foundation for Advancement of the Arts (NFAA) Recognition & Talent Search**Deadline: October 19**

Contact: www.nfaa.org, e-mail: info@nfaa.org; *Eligibility:* Senior high school students who are pursuing a career in the area of dance, music, visual arts, theater, writing, and film, etc. Must be between 15 and 18 years old and a U.S. citizen or legal resident. *Award:* Up to \$3,000.

Horatio Alger California Scholarship Program**Deadline: October 25**

Thirty-eight 7,000 scholarships awarded to students of critical financial need (AGI below \$55,000) who exhibit integrity and perseverance in overcoming personal adversity and who aspire to higher education. Involvement in co-curricular and community activities a plus. Must be a US citizen. An online letter of support, tax forms and online application required. Apply @ scholars.horatioalgers.org

Coca-Cola Scholars Program**Deadline: October 31**

Applicants are evaluated based on leadership, community commitment, academic achievement and part-time employment. Must have a minimum 3.0 GPA. Awards: 150 Coca-Cola Scholars are selected each year to receive a \$20,000 scholarship and 200 scholarships of \$1,000 each will be awarded based on applications submitted by members. Initial applications available at:

<http://www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org>

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES DUE IN NOVEMBER**Voice of Democracy Audio Essay Contest****Deadline: November 1**

The Veterans of Foreign Wars sponsor this \$30,000 scholarship for students in 9-12th grade. Many other prizes from \$1,000 to \$16,000. Someone from each state wins. The 2014-15 speech topic is: Why Veterans are important to our Nation's History and Future. An essay and recording based on the topic should be 3 to 5 minutes long. Application and information at: www.vfw.org

Vacancy.com Blog Scholarship**Deadline: November 1**

Scholarships for students who have their own blog by providing a short essay and placing on own blog. Amount: \$500. The winner will be selected by a Vacancy.com judging panel based on purely subjective criteria such as "creativity," "insight," and / or "it made me laugh so hard I got the hiccups". There is no minimum length requirement. Also, you must post the essay on your own blog or website and send us the URL. For more information check out:

<http://www.vacancy.com/scholarship> & e-mail submissions to: scholarship@vacancy.com

Ron Brown Scholar Program**Deadline: November 1**

Eligibility: African American high school seniors must demonstrate a strong sense of social responsibility and a willingness to extend themselves to others who are in need. Must be a current high school senior at the time of your application. Must excel academically. Applications available online at www.ronbrown.org. *Award:* 10 students @ \$40,000

George Montgomery/NRA Youth Wildlife Art Contest**Deadline: November 3**

Applicants must be in grades 1 through 12 and submit an original artwork depicting any North American game bird or animal that may be legally hunted or trapped. NRA membership is not required. Art is divided into categories based on grade level and is judged on effort, creativity, anatomical accuracy and composition. Up to \$1,000.

Prudential Spirit of Community Award**Deadline: November 4**

Eligibility: Students must be in grades 5-12 from any state. Student must show participation in a volunteer activity that occurred at least partly during the 12 months prior to the date of application. *Award:* \$1,000-\$5,000 and a trip to Washington D.C. Apply at <http://spirit.prudential.com>.

Intel STS Science Talent Search Scholarship**Deadline: visit website**

The Intel® Science Talent Search® (Intel STS) is the nation's most prestigious science research competition for high school seniors. Since 1942, first in partnership with Westinghouse and beginning in 1998 with Intel, SSP has provided a national stage for the country's best and brightest young scientists to present original research to nationally recognized professional scientists. *Eligibility:* High school seniors must submit a written report or an independent research report in science, mathematics or engineering. More information and online applications at: www.societyforscience.org. *Awards:* 40 finalists invited to Washington DC for competition where they compete for \$630,000 in awards, including a \$100,000 prize for First Place.

PBA Sally Beauty Scholarships**Deadline: November 14**

Awarded to college freshmen. Seven \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to high school graduates desiring to enter the cosmetology profession. Essay, letters of recommendation and transcripts required. Application available at <http://www.probeauty.org/scholarships/>

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES DUE IN DECEMBER

Elks Most Valuable Student MVS Scholarship **Deadline: December 4**

Male and female students compete separately for identical awards. To be eligible, you need to be a high school senior and a US Citizen. Selection is based on a point system which includes academic achievement, leadership, extra-curricular activities and financial need. Please return all completed applications to College and Career Center, or your nearest Elks Lodge. Many awards are available at the lodge, region and state level. First place will receive \$100,000.

<http://www.elks.org/enf/scholars/ourscholarships.cfm>

Stephen J. Brady STOP Hunger Scholarship **Deadline: December 5**

Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents. They must be students in kindergarten through graduate school who are enrolled at an accredited U.S. institution. They must have been active in at least one unpaid volunteer effort to end hunger during the past 12 months. Sodexo employees and previous recipients of this award are ineligible. Selection is based on the overall strength of the application. There are up to 25 awards from \$1,000-5,000

Letters About Literature Contest **Deadline: December 10 & January 10**

applicants must be U.S. legal residents. They must be students in grades 4 through 12 and must be at least nine years old by the September 1 that precedes the contest deadline. They must submit a personal letter to an author about how that author's book or work has impacted them. Selection is based on letter originality, grammar and organization. There are 4 awards with \$200-1,000.

AXA Achievement Scholarship **Deadline: visit website**

The AXA Foundation provides scholarships to students who set and reach ambitious goals, demonstrate drive and determination, and ability to succeed in college. Student recipients are those who have respect for self, family and community. www.axa-equitable.com/axa-foundation . Only the first 10,000 applications online will be accepted. 52- \$10,000 awards. An additional ten will receive an additional one-time scholarship of \$15,000.

NFIB YEF Young Entrepreneur Foundation **Deadline: December 18, 2014**

Are you a budding entrepreneur? Do you have dreams of owning your own business? NFIB Young Entrepreneur Awards are open to any graduating high school senior entering their freshman year at an accredited (not for profit) two- or four-year university, college or vocational/technical institute. Applicants MUST be running their own small business in order to be considered for an award. Visit www.NFIB.com/YEA to apply for scholarships of \$1,000 to \$10,000 sponsored by the National Federation of Independent Business for students who show business initiative.

Love your Body Poster Contest**Deadline: December 19, 2014**

Sponsored by the National Organization for Women Foundation. Posters should be graphically attractive and use a dynamic message. We especially look for images that demonstrate beauty is not limited by body size, body type, ethnicity, age or physical appearance. Each entry must include the artist's full name, address, phone number, valid e-mail address and category number on the back of each poster. The winning posters will be displayed in schools and other public settings, so please consider this when designing your poster. Artwork: Poster should be no larger than 9" x 12". Four awards of \$350 each.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES DUE IN JANUARY**United States Army Emergency Relief Scholarship****Deadline: January 1 –May 1**

Contact: www.aerhq.org/ArmyEmergencyRelief.html *Eligibility:* Unmarried dependent children of members of the army. Must be a U.S. citizen and not yet 22 years of age *Award:* \$2,000. (Application available after December 1).

California Grocers Association Educational Foundation**Deadline: January 1 through April 1 only.**

CGA Educational Foundation scholarships are open to high school seniors, college freshmen, sophomores, juniors, and seniors who are the dependent sons or daughters of employees or are themselves employees of a CGA member company. The employee must have been employed for at least one year as of January 1 of the year in which Applications for the scholarship program are available **January 1 through April 1 only.** *Award:* \$1,000 - \$2,000. To request a scholarship application, email your name, CGA member company name and CGA member company mailing address to: foundation@cagrocers.com

Casey Family Scholarships for California Foster Youth **Deadline: Available January 1-March 31, 2016**

Scholarships for verified foster youth who are planning on attending a four or two year university. Application available online at: www.fc2sucess.org *Award:* up to \$6000, renewable for as many as 5 years.

Gates Millennium Scholars Program**Deadline: January 13, 2015**

Any graduating senior with the following ethnic backgrounds may apply. African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American or Hispanic American. Applicants must be either US citizens or legal permanent residents how have maintained a minimum 3.3 GPA. Selection will be based on Leadership, Community Service, Extra curricular Activities. Applicants must also meet Pell Grant eligibility.. Applications at: www.gmsp.org GMS will select 1,000 talented students each year to receive a good-through-graduation scholarship to use at any university. They provide Gates Millennium Scholars with personal and professional development through our leadership programs along with academic support throughout their college career. *Award:* Program covers the cost of tuition, fees, books, and living expenses not paid for by grants and scholarships already committed as part of the recipient's financial aid package.

The William S. Davila Scholarship Fund Deadline: Information available in November

Any graduating senior working in the food industry or sons and daughters of parents working in the food industry may apply. (Food Industry is defined as retail supermarkets companies, manufacturers, brokers or distributors of food products sold in retail food stores) *Individuals working in a fast food or regular restaurant are **NOT** eligible to apply.* Students must be planning to enroll in a full-time course of study at an accredited four-year college or university. Application: <http://www.sms.scholarshipamerica.org/davila>

National Association of Secondary School Principals – Principal Leadership Award

Deadline: visit website

For more information please visit: www.nassp.org. *Eligibility:* Must be nominated by your school principal. This scholarship is based on volunteer work. *Award:* \$1,000.

Elks – Legacy Awards

Deadline: January 29

Any child or grandchild of a living Elk who joined the order on or before April 1, 2006 is eligible to apply for the Elks National Foundation Legacy Award. The applicant must be a high school senior and apply through the related member's Elk Lodge. SAT or ACT test scores are required. Applications and more information can be obtained online at: www.elks.org/enf/scholars Award is \$1,000 renewable for four years.

Dean Children Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: January 31

Eligibility: Applicant must be an undergraduate pursuing a degree in Education. Must also reside from one of the following areas of California: San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Kern, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Ventura, Riverside, Orange, or San Diego. *Award:* \$50,000

UNION PLUS Scholarship Program

Deadline: January 31

<http://unionplusscholars.community.com>. Awards to students with a 3.0 GPA or better. 129 awards totaling over \$150,000. This is a competitive scholarship and applicants are evaluated according to academic ability, social awareness, financial need and appreciation of labor. Essay can be half of total score. Teachers and school district employees are usually in a union. Awards: \$500-\$4,000

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES DUE IN FEBRUARY

Jack Kent Cooke Foundation College Scholarship Program Deadline: Not updated yet

The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation College Scholarship Program is an undergraduate scholarship program available to high-achieving high school seniors with financial need who seek to attend and graduate from the nation's best four-year colleges and universities. Selected from a nationwide pool of applicants, up to 40 students will become Jack Kent Cooke Scholars and have access to funding for up to four years for undergraduate studies. Each award is intended to cover a significant share of the student's educational expenses – including tuition, living expenses, books and required fees. Must have a 3.5 GPA or higher and Receive standardized test scores in the top 15%: SAT combined critical reading and math score of 1200 or above and/or ACT composite score of 26 or above. The application opens in September. Apply at: www.JKCF.ORG/SCHOLARSHIPS or call 855-509-5253. *Award:* Up to \$40,000 in scholarship awards. Application opens in early September.

Stanley E. Jackson Scholarship**Deadline: February 1**

www.cec.sped.org/index.html; *Eligibility:* Disabled, minority high school seniors who are gifted in general intellectual ability, specific academic aptitude, creativity, visual or performing arts. *Award:* \$1,000. Single Award.

SAM WALTON COMMUNITY SCHOLARS**Deadline: February 1**

Must be a U.S. Citizen or Permanent Legal Resident of the United States., cannot be a Walmart Stores, Inc. Associate or a dependent of a Walmart Stores, Inc. Associate. Must have a cumulative high school GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4-point un-weighted scale, and have taken either the ACT or SAT test. Must have financial need and be able to demonstrate the need with required documents. (Note: Students with other funds that pay entirely for tuition, books, fees, and on-campus room and board are ineligible.) *Award:* 2,600 scholarships of \$3,000. Apply at: <http://www.act.org/walmart/community>

Ellen Masin Persina Scholarship**Deadline: February 1**

Contact: www.press.org, *Eligibility:* This scholarship is open to minority high school seniors who have been accepted to college and plan to pursue a career in journalism. Applicants must demonstrate an ongoing interest in journalism through work in high school and/or other media, submit a one-page essay on why they want to pursue a career in journalism and have at least a 2.75 GPA in high school. *Award:* \$2,500, renewable.

The American Physical Society**Deadline: Information posted in November.**

Contact: One Physics Ellipse College Park, MD 20740-3844; (301) 209-3200; Fax: (301) 209-0865; www.aps.org/; *Eligibility:* Black, Hispanic, or Native American U.S. citizens with a physics interest. Must be a high school senior, college freshman or sophomore. *Award:* \$2,000;

Microsoft Minority Scholarship**Deadline: February 1**

e-mail: resume@microsoft.com www.microsoft.com/college/scholarships Eligibility: African-American, Hispanic, or Native American sophomores or juniors pursuing studies in computer science or related disciplines in math; a minority full-time undergraduate pursuing environmental careers at historically Black college/university. 3.0 GPA and goal statement also needed Award: Full tuition and fees, monthly stipend, summer internship after first year

Pacific Gas and Electric (PG &E) Employee Associations**Deadline for most PG & E Scholarships: February 9, 2015**

The Employee Resource Groups at PG&E will reward college-bound students for their academic achievements and community service who reside in a P G & E service area.

- The **InspirAsian Employee Resource Group** will be awarding at least 10 scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 each
- The **Black Employee Resource Group** offers 10 or more deserving students will receive a scholarship in amounts ranging from \$1,000 to \$5,000
- The **Samahan (Filipino) Employee Resource Group** is awarding scholarships in amounts up to \$2,000 to at least 10 deserving college-bound high school seniors
- The **Latino Employee Resource Group** is awarding 30 scholarships of \$1,000 to eligible high school seniors.
- The **PrideNetwork Employee Resource Group** awards \$5,000 scholarships to at least 5 students for their service to the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender community.
- The **Women's Network Employee Resource Group** administers awards to deserving students who reside in PG&E's service area.

C.I.F. /Farmers Scholar Athlete of the Year**Deadline: February 11**

The best of CIF athletes (with at least 2 years of varsity play) along with a GPA over 3.5 qualifies high school seniors to apply for this statewide scholarship which awards \$2,000 to \$5000 to a male and female athlete for the state and \$2000 for each section.

<http://www.cifstate.org/awards/pdf/scholarathlete.pdf>

Sons of Italy Scholarship Program**Deadline: February 14(Open in November)**

Students with verifiable Italian heritage may apply online at: www.osia.org. Submit a typewritten original essay of 500-750 words about a personal experience which demonstrated or generated pride in your Italian heritage. Letters of recommendation, essay and application required. Award is 10 to 12 merit-based scholarships ranging from \$4,000 to \$25,000.

Kentucky Fried Chicken Colonel's Scholarship Fund**Deadline: February 15 (Not yet Updated)**

Applicants must be U.S. citizens, be pursuing a bachelor's degree, maintains a GPA of 2.75 or higher, and be attending a public university in their state of residence. Award: up to \$5,000 a year up to \$20,000. Applications available at: www.kfcscholars.org

California Masonic Foundation**Deadline: February 15**Contact: www.californiamasons.org

Eligibility: High school senior with a minimum 3.0 GPA accepted or enrolled as an undergraduate. Must be a CA resident, U.S. citizen, and demonstrate financial need. *Award:* \$2500-\$12000. There are many scholarships listed on this website.

California Teachers ASS. (CTA) & Martin Luther King, JR Memorial Scholarship**Deadline: February 19th**www.cta.org/About-CTA/CTA-Foundation/Scholarships/MLK/

Eligibility: For MLK ethnic minority members of CTA, dependent children and ethnic minority of student CTA, pursue degrees or credentials for teaching-related careers in public education.

Award: \$2,000.**2015 Spirit of Anne Frank Awards****Deadline: February 27**

Looking for students who have shown themselves to be extraordinary leaders in their community and who have displayed a dedication to social injustice and confronting intolerance. Past awardees have received awards for starting a non-profit, by helping to change legislation, and by writing books or creating documentaries that bring awareness to issues in their communities.

Please visit <http://annefrank.com/about-the-awards> for more information.

Bank of America Joe Martin Scholarship Program**Deadline: February 28, 2014**

Students must: Be 23 years of age or younger and a dependent of a Bank of America employee; be a high school senior or graduate; plan to be enrolled or currently be enrolled in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited 2- or 4-year college, university, or vocational/technical school located in the United States; Enroll in the college, university, or vocational/technical school of their choice in the United States no later than the fall of the year in which the award is given. For more information visit: bankofamerica@scholarhpamerica.org.

Award: Awards are \$2,500 for 1 year of full-time study, and may be renewed for up to 3 additional years on the basis of satisfactory academic performance.

SCHOLARSHIPS DUE IN MARCH**National Society of Professional Engineers****Deadline: March 1, 2015**

The *Maureen L. and Howard N. Blitman, P.E., Scholarship to Promote Diversity in Engineering* is awarded annually to a high school senior from an ethnic minority who has been accepted into an [ABET-accredited engineering program](#) at a four-year college or university. The scholarship is awarded in two disbursements of \$2,500 each at the beginning of the fall and spring semesters of the freshman year. Applicant must be a high school senior who: is a member of an underrepresented ethnic minority in the field of engineering: African-American, Hispanic, or Native American, - See more at: <http://www.nspe.org/resources/students/scholarships/maureen-l-howard-n-blitman-pe-scholarship-promote-diversity#sthash.AkJWW9Jn.dpuf> - See more at: <http://www.nspe.org/resources/students/scholarships/maureen-l-howard-n-blitman-pe-scholarship-promote-diversity#sthash.AkJWW9Jn.dpuf>

Presbyterian Church USA**Deadline: March 1**

Contact: www.pcusa.org. *Eligibility:* Between twenty-five and thirty-five students will be selected for the award. Those students will have the opportunity to renew the scholarship provided they maintain at 2.5 GPA, participate in a campus ministry or regularly attend church during college, and participate in discernment of vocation through a series of essay questions that ask the student to consider who is God calling them to be. *Eligibility:* Presbyterian Church (USA) members who are: Rising Freshman planning to attend a Presbyterian related college or university. *Award:* \$500- \$1,500.

California Farm Bureau Scholarship Program**Deadline: March 1**

Contact: www.cfbf.com; *Eligibility:* Any undergraduate student entering or attending a four-year accredited college or university in California and pursuing a career in the agricultural industry. Applicants must be a resident of California. *Award:* \$1,800-\$5,000;

Booker T. Washington Scholarships**Deadline: March 1**

Contact: National FFA Organization Attn: Mail completed application with attachments to: Booker T. Washington High School Foundation Post Office Box 1641 Columbia, South Carolina 29202 Attention: Scholarship Committee *Eligibility:* This program is open to graduating high school seniors or high school graduates preparing to enroll in their first year of college education. Applicant must be a minority FFA member interested in pursuing a degree in agriculture. The following ethnic groups may apply: African-Americans, Asian-Americans or Pacific Islanders, Hispanics, Alaska Natives, or American Indians. They may be residents of any state, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, or the District of Columbia. *Award:* One \$10,000 and three \$5,000 scholarships are awarded

Society of Exploration Geophysics**Deadline: March 1**

Contact: www.seq.org; *Eligibility:* Entering freshmen and undergraduate students in financial need maintaining above average grades. Students should be pursuing a career in geophysics, physics, mathematics and/or geology. *Award:* \$500-\$14,000- average \$2,500.

California Sons of Italy Scholarship Program**Deadline: March 1**

Students with verifiable Italian heritage may apply online at: www.osia.org. Submit a typewritten original essay of 500-750 words about a personal experience which demonstrated or generated pride in your Italian heritage. Letters of recommendation, essay and application required. *Award* is 10 to 12 merit-based scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$5,000.

Through the Looking Glass for students with Parents with disabilities Deadline: Visit Website

Students who have at least one parent with a verifiable disability are able to apply for one of ten \$1,000 scholarships. Selection criteria includes academic performance, community activities and service, letter of recommendation and essay describing the experience of growing up with a parent with a disability. Application available at:

http://www.lookingglass.org/scholarships/TLG_Scholarship_Form.pdf (Funding subject to yearly approval).

US Tzu Chi Scholars Program Deadline: March 2

Tzu Chi Scholars is a scholarship program funded by Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation to recognize and provide financial assistance to outstanding college-bound high school graduates. Tzu Chi Scholars are selected on the basis of their financial need, academic achievement, and community involvement. Each Scholar will receive an award of \$1,000. Information available at: us.tzuchi.org

Friends of the California State Fair Deadline: March 5

25 scholarships, 5 at \$1,500 each, 7 at \$1,000 each, 5 at \$750 each, 6 at \$500 each, 1 at \$250 and the outstanding candidate receiving \$5,000. Preference will be given to individuals with broad personal, civic & academic experience, leadership potential & civic achievements in a variety of majors and career objectives including agriculture, teaching, international business and the arts. Applications available at www.bigfun.org

HSF/General College Scholarship Program Deadline: March 10

Applicants must be high school seniors, entering college students or current college undergraduate or graduate students who are of Hispanic heritage and U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Students must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher and plan to enroll full-time in a degree program at a two- or four- year accredited institution in the U.S., Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands or Guam in the upcoming academic year. Applicants must also apply for federal financial aid and be pursuing their first undergraduate or graduate degree. \$500-5,000.

The SAMMY (Scholar Athlete Milk Mustache of the Year) Award Deadline: March 12

25 scholarships will be awarded to student athletes who demonstrate excellence in academics, athletics, community service, leadership and include milk as part of their healthy lifestyle.

Applications are available at: <http://www.milkdelivers.org/schools/coaches-corner/sammy-awards/>

Award: 25 student athletes will win a \$7,500 scholarship, an awards ceremony at Disney World in Orlando, Fla., and their own Milk Mustache ad to appear in USA TODAY.

The Italian Catholic Federation Scholarship Deadline: March 15th

Any Roman Catholic graduating senior of Italian descent with a minimum 3.2 GPA may apply. Applicants will be judged based on scholastic achievement, financial need, leadership, recommendation and extracurricular activities. www.icf.org/scholarships.html. Two hundred awards of \$400 each with opportunities to renew for larger amounts.

Kohl's Kids Who Care Scholarship Program**Deadline: March 15**

Recognize & reward 2200 young volunteers who have helped their communities become a better place. Visit www.kohlskids.com to nominate a deserving young person age 6-18 after Feb. 1st.

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

American Postal Workers Union/ AFL-CIO**Deadline: March 15**

Contact: www.apwu.org. Eligibility: **The E.C. Hallbeck Memorial Scholarship** will award \$8000 (\$2000 annually) to 10 recipients (1 male & 1 female from each of the five postal regions) to apply towards their 4 -year college tuition. High school seniors who are dependent children of American Postal Workers Union members may apply.

Vocational Scholarship winners will receive up to \$3,000 (\$1000 annually) for specialized training in, for example, culinary arts, medical or dental assistant, electrician, real estate, auto mechanic, certified IT/computer education, cosmetology, or massage therapy, etc. Eligible programs can be of a 9 -month to 3-year duration.

Elks–Major Project, Inc. (Undergraduate Scholarship Program for Students with Disabilities): **Deadline: March 15**

Eligibility: Any high school senior with the following may apply: Must be a U.S. Citizen and resident of California. Applicant must have a documented physical, neurological, visual, or hearing impairment and/or speech/language disorder. Applications must be submitted to the local lodge. www.chea-elks.org/USPSDAPP.pdf. Award: five scholarships of \$1,000 to twenty to thirty scholarships of \$1,000 to \$2,000 each. Students can reapply each year for up to four years.

Cabrillo Civic Clubs of California:**Deadline: March 15**

Eligibility: Any graduating senior of Portuguese decent & a U. S. Citizen or permanent resident may apply. Applicants must have a minimum 3.5 GPA and have participated in at least 3 extra-curricular activities while in high school. Transcripts and letters of recommendation required. www.cabrillocivicclubs.org/scholarship.asp; Award: \$500

U.S. Bank Internet Scholarship Program:**Deadline: March 31**

Forty \$1,000.00 scholarships awarded in a random drawing. No essay and no minimum GPA. Programs runs October Through February. Apply online at: www.usbank.com/studentbanking

CAA/ESA Youth Scholarship Program**Deadline: March 27**

Must be a graduating senior and must be accepted for admission to an accredited college or university. Mother, father, or legal guardian must be a full-time active duty employee, and not on disability. The parent or guardian must be a member of a law enforcement agency or a full-time paid or volunteer member of a fire department located in California. Must show proof of enrollment at a high school and proof of acceptance to a college or university. Additionally, student must have proof of parents' occupation, submit a typed essay, and provide a letter of recommendation regarding extracurricular activities. Award: \$1,500 to \$10,000.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES DUE IN APRIL

Walmart Dependent Scholarship Deadline: April 1

Contact: www.act.org/walmart/depend. Applicants must be a US citizen or legal resident, a dependent of a Walmart associate, and have demonstrated financial need as noted on FAFSA. Award: \$13,000 over 4 years.

Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers (SHPE) Foundation Deadline: Visit Website

The SHPE Foundation Scholarship Program is designed to enhance and achieve the potential of Latino students pursuing degrees in engineering, math and science. Merit-based and need-based scholarships are awarded, in the amount of \$1,000 - \$5,000, to deserving Latino/a high school graduating seniors, undergraduate students, and graduate students who demonstrate both significant motivation and aptitude for a career in science, technology, engineering or mathematics. Complete the online scholarship application open after January 1st.

Contact: www.shpefoundation.org Award: \$5,000- \$10,000

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES DUE IN MAY

California Restaurant Association Scholarship: Deadline: May 15

CRAEF scholarships are competitive and awarded to qualified applicants based on an application, an essay, previous experience and an interview. Top applicants will be contacted for an interview with the CRAEF scholarship panel, comprised of educators and industry leaders, by e-mail or phone six to eight weeks after the deadline. Scholarships will be awarded in two payments following proof of enrollment in two semesters. For more information please visit the website at: www.craef.org Return completed application to:

CRAEF Scholarships

621 Capitol Mall, Suite 2000

Sacramento, CA 95814

Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards Deadline: Varies

Applicants must be high school seniors who are U.S. citizens or permanent residents, reside in Chicago, Denver, Dallas, Los Angeles, Miami, New York City, Philadelphia, Phoenix, San Antonio, San Diego, San Jose and Washington, DC and have Hispanic parentage (Hispanic parentage can be one parent of Mexican, Central American, Cuban, Puerto Rican, South American, Spanish or Caribbean Hispanic descent). Selection criteria include achievement in the applicant's discipline, involvement in community, ability to overcome adversity and character. The disciplines are: Academic Excellence, Sports, the Arts, Literature/Journalism, Mathematics, Leadership/Community Service and Science and Technology.