

SCHOLARSHIP, FINANCIAL AID, & COLLEGE INFORMATION

DECEMBER, 2017 GRADES 11, 10, 9

APPLICATIONS FOR MOST SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE AT THE INDICATED WEBSITE OR IN THE COUNSELING OFFICE, ROOM S-114. THIS IS GENERAL INFORMATION; PLEASE CHECK COMPLETE INFORMATION AND NOTE ALL DEADLINES BEFORE APPLYING.

GENERAL INFORMATION

This scholarship newsletter will be issued at least once a month; more often if large numbers of scholarship opportunities come in sooner. A copy is posted to the School Counselors Classroom Class of 2018 (n39sx4), at the North High website, and paper copies are available in the Counseling Office, S-123. A separate list of helpful websites, called Searching the Web for Information, also is available at the North High website and paper copies in the Counseling Office.

Registration for the ACT and SAT college entrance tests now is open on their websites. On-Line registration is faster and preferred, but some paper copies are available in the Counseling Office.

ACT – www.actstudent.org – January 12 Regular Registration Deadline for February 10 Test

SAT – www.sat.collegeboard.com/register - February 9 Regular Registration Deadline for March 10 Test

DUAL ENROLLMENT INFORMATION NIGHT – Tuesday, January 23, 6:30-8:00 PM, North High Auditorium
PERT TEST - For first-time PERT Test Takers only; Must already have FSWSC ID Number: www.fsw.edu; 100 Max. Info. On Sign-Up and applying for a FSWSC ID in Counseling Office; **FIRM** Registration Deadline January 29.

COLLEGE OPEN HOUSE

Eastern Kentucky Univ. – Saturday, February 3, Saturday, March 24; www.go.eku.edu/spotlight

Florida Gulf Coast University - Saturday, February 17; www.fgcu.edu/eagles

Florida International Univ. – Music Audition Dates all Saturdays, February 3, March 3; www.music.fiu.edu

Gettysburg College – January 2

National Portfolio Day – Opportunity to have admissions Portfolio eval.; Jan. 21 in Sarasota closest; www.portfolioday.net

Seton Hall (NJ) – Sunday, February 18, Sunday, April 22, www.shu.edu/visiting

Univ. Cent. FL – Saturday, January 20; www.admissions.ucf.edu/visit

Univ. North FL – Saturday, January 20; Saturday, February 10; Saturday, April 14 Gen. Open House

VOLUNTEER/COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- Habitat For Humanity seeks volunteers to help build or rehab homes in Lee and Hendry Counties; Min. 16 years old, Can be individual or group volunteer; Paul Schenz, 239-652-1684 or paulas@habitat4humanity.org
- North Elementary Science Olympiad (ESO) seeks student volunteers for various activities related to the Olympiad; Students can earn 2-4 hours per week; Join Google Classroom for more info.: 7ztw3i
- 2 Mile Walk for Men's Cancer Awareness, Saturday, January 6, 2018, need volunteers to help direct runner/walkers through the course. See Mr. Mirro in S114 for contact information

BRIGHT FUTURES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

3 programs sponsored by the state of Florida

All GPA's are based only on courses in English, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Foreign Language

Weighting for GPA is figured differently than it is for the Lee County School District

Florida Academic Scholars; min. 3.5 weighted academic GPA; min. 1290 SAT(R+M) or 29 ACT COMPOSITE

Florida Medallion Scholarship; min. 3.0 weighted academic GPA; min. 1170 SAT(R+M) or 26 ACT COMPOSITE

Vocational Gold Seal Scholarship; min. 3.0 weighted academic GPA; complete 3 credit vocational program;

min. 440 Reading/440 Math SAT or 17 English/18 Reading/19 Math ACT; NOTE: Gold Seal only available for vocation oriented, 2-year degree programs at a community college (i.e. FSWSC) or a vocational school (i.e. Cape Coral Institute of Technology); cannot be used at a 4-year college or university

Min. Community Service Hours: 100 hours for Academic Scholars; 75 hours for Medallion; 30 hours for Gold Seal

NOTE: New, 3 part form for Community Service Hours must now be used; see Counseling Office for more info.

Final decision on award rests solely with Department of Education in Tallahassee

Must complete Florida Financial Aid Form on website after November 1, 2017

www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org/SSFAD/bf/.

Students with completed requirements by end of Senior first semester can receive notification of award at that time

NOTE: THE STATE LEGISLATURE MIGHT CHANGE THESE REQUIREMENTS;

PLEASE BE SURE TO CHECK THE WEBSITE FOR THE LATEST INFORMATION.

NOTE 2: Students earning the AICE Diploma still must submit application and min. 100 comm. service hours

NCAA CLEARINGHOUSE & NAIA CLEARINGHOUSE

Registration and certification through the NCAA Clearinghouse required for any athlete who is pursuing a scholarship at a Division I, Division I-A, or Division II NCAA university or college

Registration and certification through the NAIA Clearinghouse required for any athlete who hopes to earn a scholarship at an NAIA affiliated college/university (typically smaller schools)

Minimum GPA, ACT or SAT test scores, and a set of specific courses required for certification

Forms and information bulletin available from Mr. Sester in S-151 or Mr. Bowen in S-150

No specific Deadline, but early approval essential for college athletic scholarship consideration

NATIONAL YOUTH SAFETY ESSAY SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST

Open to Grades 12-9, Create Essay regarding Youth Safety; check website for specific information

Must have completed a CareerSafe course (listed in contest rules)

\$500 Award per quarter

December 31 next deadline; new deadline each 3 months; <http://www.careersafeonline.com>

SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION SOCIETY, CALOOSA CHAPTER, ANNUAL ESSAY CONTEST

Open to Grades 12-9, Write 800-1200 word Essay on an event, person, philosophy, or idea associated with the American Revolution, the Declaration of Independence, or the framing of the US Constitution

3 Local Awards up to \$200; Florida & National Awards up to \$700 (FL) & \$5,000 (US)

December 31 Deadline for RECEIPT of essay and all supporting forms; www.flssar.org; www.ussar.org

RUMBAUGH HISTORICAL ORATION CONTEST

Open to Grades 12-9, Written Essay based on above criteria, delivered as a five minute Oration from memory

3 Local Awards up to \$400; Florida & National Awards up to \$1,000 (FL) & \$4,000 (US)

January 1, 2018 Deadline for RECEIPT of essay and all supporting forms at Caloosa Chapter;

January 10, 2018 Oration Presentation; www.flssar.org; www.nssar.org

JOHN F. KENNEDY PROFILES IN COURAGE ESSAY CONTEST

Open to Grades 12-9; Must write 70-1,000 word Essay on Act of Political Courage by US Elected Official

Must be nominated by teacher; important to check full details at website

7 Awards, \$10,000 (1); \$1,000 (1); \$500 (5)

January 3, 2018 Deadline; <http://www.jfklibrary.org>

U.S. ARMY-PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

Open to Grades 12-10; Must be current member of high school athletic team, min. one year participation

Min. 3.5 unweighted GPA, Involvement with and/or Support through Community Service, Recommendation Letters, 500 Word Essay on specific topic/

\$2,500 Award plus trip to Hall of Fame in Canton, Ohio in August for finalists

January 10, 2018 Deadline to return all materials to North in time to submit for January 12, 2018 Deadline

<http://www.profootballhof.com>

COLLEGE RAPTOR SCHOLARSHIP

Open to Grades 12-11, Min. 16 years old; Must write Essay on specific topic

Not clear if the main purpose is to harvest personal information for further emails

One \$2,500 Award

January 31, 2018 Deadline; www.CollegeRaptor.com/2500Scholarship

***NEW* LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF LEE COUNTY ESSAY CONTEST**

Must write max. 500 word Written Essay or create max. 2 minute Video Essay (3 student max.) on specific topic

Open to Grades 12 & 11; Winning Essays will be published in the Fort Myers News-Press

Two \$200 and Two \$100 Awards

January 31, 2018 Deadline; see Mr. Mirro in S114 for further information

MOODY;S MEGA MATH CHALLENGE

12th-11th Grade Math Team with Teacher-Coach that competes in weekend Math challenge

Important to check all information before registering team

Number and Amount of Awards not stated

February 23, 2018 team registration Deadline; <https://m3challenge.siam.org>

SETON HALL UNIVERSITY SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT CHALLENGE

300-500 Word Statement describing Innovative Approach or Idea for Addressing a UN Sustainable Goal
Open to Grades 12-10; Not clear if applicant must also apply to and plan to attend Seton Hall
10 Awards \$12,500 to \$4,000
March 11, 2018 Deadline; www.shu.edu/

JUNIOR DUCK STAMP CONTEST

Open to grades 12-9; Draw entry for the next federal duck stamp; specific information at website
One winner selected in Florida for further national competition
Amount of Awards and number of national awards not stated
March 15, 2018 Deadline

***NEW* KEEP LEE COUNTY BEAUTIFUL LEAVE THE SCENE CLEAN CALENDAR ART CONTEST**

Open to Grades 12-9; Must create artwork with a positive environmental message; Check website for specific info.
\$500 Scholarship Award to Grade 12 and Cover Winners; Cash awards to grades 11-9 winners.(last year)
April 23, 2018 Deadline for receipt at their office; <http://www.klcb.org/leave-the-scene-clean-calendar.html>

E-WASTE SCHOLARSHIP

Open to Grades 12-9; Submit maximum 140 character response to e-waste prompt
10 Finalists will write 500-1,000 word Essay on specific topic
One \$1,000 Award
April 30 Deadline; <http://www.digitalresponsibility.org/ewaste-scholarship/>

VISIONARY SCHOLARSHIP AMERICAN COLLEGE FOUNDATION

Open to Grades 12-9; Based on Application, Transcript, and Essay
\$5,000-\$1,000 Awards, Multiple Awards but exact Number of Awards not stated
May 1, 2018 Deadline; www.AmericanCollegeFoundation.org

B. DAVIS SCHOLARSHIP

Open to grades 12 & 11; Must write min. 1,000 Essay on specific topic at website related to Leadership
One \$1,000 Award
May 22, 2018 Deadline

NON-SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Carnegie Mellon University Summer Pre-College Programs – Several subject areas, mostly in the Arts, Game Academy, and AP/Early Admission; June 30-August 11 (not all sessions that entire time);
www.admission.enrollment.cmu/pages/pre-college

Celebrate Literacy Week Florida! 2018 – 500 Word Narrative & created movie trailer about book; one per school
Cornell Univ. Summer College – 2,3, or 6 week summer programs; www.summercollege.cornell.edu

Ding Darling Theodore Cross High School Photography Contest – Open to Grades 12-9; see website for full details;
Prizes and Local Trips for winners but not scholarship; **January 15 Deadline**

Florida State University Young Scholars Program – 6 Week Summer Science and Mathematics Experience,
June 6-July 21, 2018 No cost other than incidental (extra) expenses; **February 15, 2018 Deadline;**
<http://www.bio.fsu.edu/ysp/>

Hope Hospice Rainbow Trails Family Day Camp – Sat., Feb. 10, 2018, Support Group for Student and Parent/Guardian who have experience the loss of a loved one during the past year; www.HopeHCS.org

Lawrence University Physics Workshop – Open to Grade 12 students who apply for Admission to Lawrence Univ. by January 15; all conference expenses paid, some travel assistance; www.go.lawrence.edu/physics-workshop

Oxbridge Academic – Promotes Summer study in US/Europe; Grades 9-12; Some credit available Total costs difficult to determine so check carefully before committing; www.oxbridgeprograms.com

Penn Engineering Summer Academy; July 8-28; Some Financial Assistance Available

February 26, 2018 Priority Deadline; April 6, 2018 Final Deadline; www.ESAP.SEAS.UPENN.EDU

VetCamp 2018 Univ. of Georgia – Open to Current Grades 12-10, June 17-23, \$900.00 cost;

January 26, 2018 Application Deadline

Washington Scholars Program – Two session topics of one week each; Journalism & Media and Environment; George Mason Univ. in DC, VERY expensive (over \$2,000); www.gmu.edu