

Scholarship Opportunities

Below is a list of all scholarships listed by deadline. First you will see scholarships presented previously that are still available. You will then see all new scholarship opportunities. If you would like more information or a scholarship application (if available) please see Mrs. Webster in the guidance office or call 267-3257.

American Fire Sprinkler Association: Quick Facts

- High school seniors
- \$500-\$1500 awards
- Write a 700-1000 word essay on the following subject:
- Write a creative, interesting, and convincing essay where the character or characters can be historical or cultural, past or present, or completely fictional, that depicts the history and importance of automatic sprinklers
- Application materials are located in the scholarship binder in Mrs. Webster's office
- For information on the National Contest, go to www.firesprinkler.org
- All materials due **Feb 1, 2012**

KFC's Colonel's Scholars: Quick Facts

- High school seniors
- Up to \$5,000/year for tuition, fees, books, room and board
- Requirements:
 - Have a GPA of 2.75 or higher
 - Enroll in a public, in-state college next year
 - Pursue a bachelor's degree whether in a 2 or 4 year college
- Go to www.kfscholars.org to complete application online
- Application is available **Dec. 1 – Feb. 8, 2012**

The Community Foundation of the New River Valley Scholarship Program: Quick Facts

Step 1: All students MUST complete the FAFSA. You may do this after January 1. File taxes as soon as possible this year. Go to www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Step 2: Send a copy of the completed Student Aid Report (SAR) to the Community Foundation as soon as you receive it from the FAFSA

- When you complete the FAFSA online you can print this form

Step 3: Fill out the Community Foundation scholarship application form and indicate only the scholarship(s) for which you are ELIGIBLE (pick-up in Mrs. Webster's office).

All completed applications for the Community Foundation are due to Mrs. Webster February 6th, 2012

Auxiliary of Radford Community Hospital/CNRVMC Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants pursuing a career in nursing or a related health profession (excluding Those who intend to become physicians)
- Applicants from the counties of Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, Pulaski and the City of Radford
- High school graduates or students with a GED

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need
- Average or above average academic ability

Additional Information:

- This scholarship is renewable

Typical Scholarship Award: \$1,000

T. Scott Eaton Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants pursuing a post-secondary degree in theater or fine arts
- Applicants from the counties of Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, Pulaski and the City of Radford

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need
- Minimum grade point average of 2.0 on 4.0 scale

Typical Scholarship Award: \$500

Warren Lloyd Holtzman Freedom Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants pursuing education at a college, university, or post-secondary vocational school

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need
- Minimum grade point average of 2.5 on 4.0 scale
- Note: Applicants must submit an additional essay about the benefits to society of personal freedom, initiative, calculated risk-taking, and a free enterprise system. The essay should be no less than 500 words and no more than 2,000 words.

Additional Information:

- The purpose of this fund is to support disadvantaged people regardless of race, religion, or sexual orientation

Typical Scholarship Award:

- \$900 for a two-year institution
- \$1,800 for a four-year institution

Marie Mandelstamm Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants pursuing post-secondary degree in the sciences to include math, engineering, biology and computers
- Applicants from Blacksburg, Christiansburg, Eastern Montgomery and Radford High School

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need
- Minimum grade point average of 3.0 on 4.0 scale, especially in the sciences

Additional Information:

- The purpose of this fund is to support disadvantaged people regardless of race, religion, or sexual orientation

Typical Scholarship Award: \$1,000 - \$2,000

A. Phillip Meadows Leadership Scholarship:

Eligibility:

- Applicants pursuing a post-secondary degree at Virginia Tech
- Applicants from the counties of Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, Pulaski and the City of Radford and Hinton, WV

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need
- Strong academic achievement
- Demonstrated leadership qualities and strong potential for continued growth and development
- Active involvement and participation in school, church and/or community service

Additional Information:

- This scholarship is renewable
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Typical Scholarship Award: \$500

Adrienne Marie Rhudy Memorial Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants from the counties of Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, Pulaski, Grayson and the City of Radford
- Applicants pursuing a post-secondary degree at a 2 or 4 year college or university

Evaluation Criteria:

- Demonstrated ability to overcome adversity
- Minimum grade point average of 2.5 on 4.0 scale
- Note: Applicants must submit an additional essay demonstrating his/her ability to overcome adversity and to be strengthened thereby. Please title and mention the name of this scholarship in your essay.

Additional Information:

- This scholarship is renewable

Typical Scholarship Award: \$1,700

Eric E. Sutphin Memorial Scholarship Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants must have a parent or legal guardian who is a law enforcement officer serving in the New River Valley
- Applicants pursuing post-secondary education at any college (2 or 4 year), any university, or any accredited vocational or technical program

Evaluation Criteria:

- Documented financial need
- Minimum grade point average of 2.5 on 4.0 scale or equivalent academic achievement

Typical Scholarship Award: \$500

Wings Fund:

Eligibility:

- Applicants from the counties of Floyd, Giles, Montgomery, Pulaski and the City of Radford
- Applicants pursuing education at a college (2 or 4), university, or post-secondary vocational school
- Older and nontraditional students are encouraged to apply

Evaluation Criteria:

- Financial need

Additional Information:

- This scholarship is renewable

Virginia Golf Foundation Scholarship: Quick Facts

- High school seniors
- Must play/have an interest in golf (skill level is not important)
- The criteria for the scholarship are based on academic achievement, an interest in golf, character, and financial need
- Must be planning to attend college in Virginia
- Application materials are in the scholarship binder in Mrs. Webster's office
- All materials due **Feb. 24, 2012**

Baptist Joint Committee for Religious Liberty Essay Contest: Quick Facts

- High school juniors and seniors
- Up to \$1,000 and a trip for two to Washington, D.C.
- Must write an essay (800 -1,200 words) with your opinion about whether presidential candidates should express their religious beliefs
- For entry forms and more information go to www.BJConlind.org/contest
- Applications must be postmarked by **March 15, 2012**

Janice M. Scott Memorial Scholarship: Quick Facts

- High school seniors
- \$2,500
- Must have a 3.0 GPA and plan to attend a four year college or university
- Must demonstrate leadership abilities through participating in community services or other extra-curricular activities
- Combined adjusted gross income of the parents cannot exceed \$100,000
- The application packet is judged on four categories: need, academics, community services, and writing skills
- All materials due **March 31, 2012**

P.E.O. Dorothy Collins Scholarship: Quick Facts

- High school seniors – FEMALE
- \$1,500
- Must plan to attend a 2 or 4 year college in the fall, either full-time or part-time
- Minimum GPA of 2.5
- Must exhibit potential for future success
- Must submit an official high school transcript, financial statement, two letters of recommendation, and a personal statement
- All materials must be submitted to Mrs. Webster by **Wednesday, April 23, 2012**

National Co-op Scholarship Program: Quick Facts

- 155 merit scholarships, totaling \$4 million
- If you are admitted to one of the 7 Institutions that participate in the program you can apply for one of the scholarships by visiting www.co-op.edu
- Participating Institutions include:
 - Drexel University
 - Johnson and Wales University
 - Kettering University
 - Rochester Institute of Technology
 - University of Cincinnati
 - University of Toledo
 - Wentworth Institute of Technology
- An informational brochure is located in Mrs. Webster's office

Suntrust Off to College Scholarship Sweepstakes: Quick Facts

- High school seniors
- \$1,000 scholarship
- Not based on GPA or financial need
- One winner chosen every two weeks from October to May
- Register at www.offtocollege.info

New Scholarship Opportunities

Stellar One Bank Day Scholarship: Quick Facts

- Seven total scholarships (six regional scholarships of \$1,000 and one statewide of \$2,000)
- Available to high school seniors with a GPA of at least 3.0 and have a teacher recommendation
- Must write an essay on the following topic: How Banking Benefits My Community
- All materials must be submitted by **February 3rd, 2012**

VAFEPA Scholarship: Quick Facts

- Three \$2,500 scholarships
- There are three different scholarships
- Applicant is pursuing a degree in education
- Applicant is pursuing a degree other than Education and
- Applicant is pursuing any degree
- Each scholarship has their own criteria – please pick up additional information in Mrs. Webster's office
- All applications due **February, 3, 2012**

Virginia Tech Pamplin Leadership Scholarship: Quick Facts

- Given to one student from each public high school in the state
- \$1,000
- Must have a 3.75 GPA and/or rank in the top 10% of the class
- Each school can nominate three candidates
- Go to www.univhonors.vt.edu/html/scholarships_pamplin.html to apply
- All materials must be submitted to Mrs. Webster by Monday, Feb. 6, 2012

Best Buy Scholarship: Quick Facts

- Students grades 9-12
- Based on academic achievement, volunteerism efforts and work experience
- 1,200 scholarships of \$1,000 each
- Go to www.at15.com or www.bestbuy-communityrelations.com to apply
- You may apply **Dec. 26-Feb. 15, 2012**
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Lee-Jackson Educational Foundation Scholarship Program: Quick Facts

- Senior Students – four per region
- Top prize is \$10,000; eight \$2,000 scholarships; nine \$1,000 scholarships
- Scholarships are given for outstanding essays which demonstrate an appreciation of the exemplary character and soldierly virtues of Generals Lee and Jackson
- Essays are judged with emphasis on historical accuracy, quality of research, and clarity of written expression
- Go to www.lee-jackson.org for more information and for the application
- All materials must be submitted to Mrs. Webster by **Feb. 15, 2012**

VHSL Scholarships: Quick Facts

VHSL Savedge Scholarship Award

- Scholarships range from \$100- \$500 scholarship honoring seniors who have participated and excelled in school publications for at least two years (magazine, newsmagazine, newspaper, yearbook)
- Has demonstrated outstanding personal qualities such as leadership, writing, proficiency, design, aptitude, creativity, teamwork, and character
- Must plan to attend a college/university
- Each school can nominate one student
- All materials must be submitted to **Mrs. Webster by Monday, February 20th**

VHSL Allstate Achievement Award

- 10 \$1,000 scholarships honoring seniors who have excelled in the classroom and in athletic and academic activities
- The award goes to a student who has overcome a serious illness, injury or disability; has overcome great adversity such as challenging social or home situations in a positive way; or has other extraordinary circumstances where the student has displayed tremendous courage against overwhelming odds
- Must have earned a varsity letter in sports or in academic activities such as debate, drama, forensics, creative writing, newspaper, yearbook, magazine, or scholastic bowl
- Each school can nominate 4 students
- 3.0 GPA
- Two letters of support
- Maximum 500 word essay describing how extracurricular activities have enhanced his/her educational experience
- A head and shoulder photograph
- Must plan to attend a college/university
- All materials must be submitted to **Mrs. Webster by Monday, March 1**

VHSL Wells Fargo Citizenship Award

- 6 \$1,000 scholarships honoring seniors who go beyond the expected to give of themselves to serve others
- The award goes to students who exemplify citizenship, which is defined as: contributions to the family, school, and community; specific behavior or actions which put others first, including exceptional examples of sportsmanship in athletic or academic activities or exemplary acts in coming to the assistance of those in need; overcoming the odds, moving beyond significant hardships or family/societal difficulties to enhance the quality of life for others
- Must have previously participated in sports or in the following academic areas: creative writing, debate, drama, forensics, magazine/ newspaper, yearbook, scholastic bowl
- Each school can nominate one male and one female student-participant
- Two letters of support
- 500 – 1000 word essay by the student
- Must plan to attend a college/university
- All materials must be submitted to **Mrs. Webster by March 1**

Buick Achievers Scholarship Program: Quick Facts

- Student must:
 - Be high school seniors, Plan to enroll in full-time undergraduate study at an accredited four-year college or university for the entire 2012-13 academic year
 - Plan to major in a course of study that focuses on Engineering/Technology or select Design and Business-related programs of study (see list of eligible majors online)
 - Be interested in pursuing a career in the automotive or automotive related industries
 - Be U.S. citizens and have permanent residence in the United States
- Award Criteria:
 - Academic achievement; financial need; participation and leadership in community and school activities, work experience, educational and career goals, and unusual circumstances; special consideration will be given to the following applicants: first-generation college, female, minority, military veteran or a dependent of military personnel
- Recipients will be awarded one scholarship at either of the two award levels:
- 1,000 Scholarships of \$2,000
- 100 Buick Achievers National Scholarships of up to \$25,000/year for up to four years and one additional year for those entering a five-year engineering program
- Visit www.buickachievers.com/ for more information and application
- Application must be submitted electronically by **February 29, 2012**

Quick Facts for the Foundation for Roanoke Valley

- The deadline to receive applications is **Friday March 2, 2012 (this is not a postmark date)**
- In addition to materials required for each application you will also need a transcript and three letters of recommendation – all in a sealed envelope
- Must also attach most recent federal income tax return and your Student Aid Report (from FAFSA website)
- See application for complete instructions (in Mrs. Webster’s office) or go to www.foundationforroanoakevalley.org for information and applications

Sue Blackwell Scholarship Fund

- Typical Grant - \$2,000
- Fund provides undergraduate higher education scholarships to those students who will make the best use of the scholarship funds in pursuing their educational goals
- Be a graduating high school senior
- Be a participating member for the 2012 swim season of the Roanoke Valley Aquatic Association (RVAA). Member pools are as follows: Ashley Plantation, Aqua Net, Castle Rock, Elks Lodge, Forest Hills, Hidden Valley, Hunting Hills, Lancerlot, Limestone Park, North Lakes, Our Lady of Nazareth, Olympic Park, Roanoke Country Club, Read Mountain, Stonegate, and Spring Run
- Enroll in an accredited two- or four-year institution of higher learning.
- Demonstrate academic ability to successfully complete a college-level curriculum.
- Demonstrate financial need
- Resume must be submitted with application
- ESSAY TOPIC: Why service to others is important to me (Maximum 500 word paper)

Margaret Jones Irvin Scholarship Fund

- Typical Grant – \$1,000
- Fund provides higher education scholarship assistance to students pursuing an undergraduate, graduate, or doctoral degree
- Be a Virginia resident
- Enroll full-time in an accredited two- or four-year college or university

Walter M. Otey, III Scholarship Fund

- Typical Grant \$500
- Fund provides scholarships to talented and needy young men and women to obtain a college education. The Fund perpetuates Mr. Otey’s interest in Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University’s College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and Roanoke College’s programs

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR ROANOKE COLLEGE APPLICANTS:

- Be a Virginia Resident.
- Be a graduating high school senior
- Have a minimum high school GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale
- Enroll on a full-time basis at Roanoke College and either be a music major or perform in one or more of Roanoke College’s recognized choral or instrumental ensembles
- Demonstrate financial need
- ESSAY TOPIC: (CHOOSE ONE) What are your reasons for seeking a college education and why are scholarship funds important? Why is it important for young people to volunteer their time helping others in the community? What are the two most serious challenges facing young people today and how would you address these challenges? (Maximum of three typed pages)

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS FOR VIRGINIA TECH APPLICANTS:

- Be a Virginia resident
- Be a graduating high school senior
- Have a minimum high school GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale
- Enroll on a full-time basis in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences at Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University (Virginia Tech)
- Demonstrate financial need
- ESSAY TOPIC: (CHOOSE ONE) What are your reasons for seeking a college education and why are scholarship funds important? Why is it important for young people to volunteer their time helping others in the community? What are the two most serious challenges facing young people today and how would you address these challenges? (Maximum of three typed pages)
- Students must have already submitted a FAFSA form and received a Student Aid Report which reports your “Expected Family Contribution”

The Dianne E. H. Wilcox Scholarship Fund

- Typical Grant \$1,000
- Fund provides higher education scholarship assistance to students pursuing an undergraduate, graduate, or doctoral degree
- Be a Virginia resident
- Enroll full-time in an accredited two- or four-year college or university

The Wings Scholarship Fund

- Typical Grant \$4,000
- Fund provides higher education scholarship assistance to Sontag Elementary School graduates
- Be a graduating high school senior who has graduated from or attended Sontag Elementary School located in Franklin County, Virginia for at least two academic years
- Enroll full-time in an accredited two- or four-year institution of higher education or vocational or technical school
- Demonstrate a capacity to satisfactorily complete college-level studies
- Demonstrate financial need and otherwise not be able to attend college without this scholarship
 - ESSAY: (You must complete ALL essays below)
 - PART I: Describe your most significant accomplishment (Maximum 1 page)
 - PART II: Answer each of the following questions: (Maximum 2 pages)
 - A. Explain why you need this scholarship
 - B. Why are you deserving of this scholarship?
 - C. Explain how this scholarship will help you achieve your goals
 - D. How has your high school experience helped you in your growth towards adulthood?

Granville P. Meade Scholarship: Quick Facts

- Seniors
- Intent is to provide financial assistance to students who have achieved academically, but who are financially unable to attend college
- \$2,000 for four years
- Must have application, test scores, transcript, and 4 letters of recommendation
- See Mrs. Webster for the application
- All materials must be submitted to Mrs. Webster by March 2, 2012

VA State Scholarship Fund (PEO): Quick Facts

- Minimum scholarships of \$1,500 to women who live in Virginia
- Number of scholarships varies by year
- Five scholarships in this fund:
 - Jeannette McDonald – awarded to the woman with the highest GPA of those selected for scholarships from the VSSF
 - Mary Pinkerton – second highest GPA
 - Janice H. Bruner – third highest GPA
 - Robert E. and Jean M. Stout – awarded to a woman accepted into an accredited health or medical program
 - Lottie E. Driver – awarded to a woman studying in the field of education
- To be eligible for any of these scholarships you must be a resident of VA, plan to attend post-secondary education next year, have a minimum GPA of 3.0, have financial need, be well-rounded in activities, have life or career goals that can be met through a specific field of study
- You must also provide three character recommendations
- Scholarships are eligible for one renewal
- All scholarships must be postmarked by **March 15, 2012**

Shelor Toyota Scholarship: Quick Facts

- Senior Students
- \$1,000
- Open to all senior students regardless of career ambition
- Must submit application, official transcript, resume, 2 essays, and 2 letters of recommendation – one from a high school teacher and one from another adult who is not a relative
- All materials must be postmarked by **March 19, 2012**

The Armenian Education Center Scholarship: Quick Facts

- Open to all high school students
- \$1,000
- Must write essay about Armenian Genocide and pertains to SOL World History II, 12b
- Go to www.armenian-educationcenter.org for more information
- Must submit essay by **April 2, 2012**

Women's Club of Radford Scholarship: Quick Facts

- Senior female students planning to attend NRCC, Radford University, Virginia Tech, or a trade school close to the New River Valley
- Scholarship is based more in financial need or the overcoming of adversity, and less on academic achievement or involvement in school activities
- Must write a few paragraphs explaining your plans for college and how a small scholarship will help you
- A short interview is required
- All materials must be submitted to **Mrs. Webster by Friday, April 20, 2012**

Scholarships are available for the following schools: Cottey College, University of Michigan, University of Dayton