

# Guidance Newsletter

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#### Scholarship Opportunities

Scholarship applications are available in the scholarship file cabinet in the career center unless otherwise indicated. Please make sure you are eligible to apply for the scholarship before taking an application. Only take **one** application. **Do not take the last application.** See Mrs. Collins-Swain for additional copies.

**All Students: Princeton U.** is sponsoring an awards program for high school students: **The Princeton Prize in Race Relations.** Students can win up to \$1000 in prizes. If you are a student who is helping to improve race relations, please apply. For more information visit the website [www.princeton.edu/princetonprize/intro/](http://www.princeton.edu/princetonprize/intro/). Applications must be postmarked by **January 31, 2007.**

**All Students: Guardian Life Insurance** is sponsoring the **Girls Going Places 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Entrepreneurship Award Program.** First place is worth \$10,000. Students must submit a 250 word personal statement about thoughts on entrepreneurship, business leadership, financial independence or giving back to the community. More information is available at [www.girlsgoingplaces.com](http://www.girlsgoingplaces.com). Entries must be submitted by **February 16, 2007.**

**All Students: B'Nai B'rith International** is sponsoring the **"Diverse Minds Writing Challenge"** scholarship competition for students in grades 9-12. Students must write and illustrate a children's book that teaches lessons about tolerance and/or diversity to children ages 5-10. For more detailed information, visit the website at [www.bnaibrith.org/diverseminds](http://www.bnaibrith.org/diverseminds). Entries must be submitted by **February 28, 2007.**

**Mount St. Mary's University's Kuderer Scholarship Essay Competition** for outstanding seniors will be held on January 20 and January 27, 2007. The scholarship is worth over \$90,000. Three incoming freshman will be awarded the scholarship. Students must have at least a 1200 on the verbal and math on the SAT and have at least a 3.25. To register, see Mrs. Collins-Swain or call 800-448-4347.

Certain students under the age of 21 who have resided in a foster care home in Maryland and plan to attend a Maryland public college or university are eligible for the foster care tuition waiver. The waiver does not apply to room and board. More information is available at [www.mhec.state.md.us](http://www.mhec.state.md.us).

**Wells College** requests nominations for the **Henry Wells Scholars Program.** Recipients receive a guaranteed first year internship and eligibility to receive a \$3000 stipend. Students who have at least a 3.5 GPA, 1150 or higher on the SAT (26 or higher on the ACT) are eligible to be nominated. If interested please see Mrs. Collins-Swain before **January 26, 2007.**

The **McKelvey Foundation Entrepreneurial Scholarship** valued at \$40,000 is available to seniors who have demonstrated entrepreneurial spirit by owning and operating their own business while in high school. To qualify students must own and operate a genuine business, have at least one employee, and complete the online application by **January 31, 2007.** For more information, go to [www.mckelveyfoundation.org](http://www.mckelveyfoundation.org).

The **"Dream Deferred" Essay Contest on Civil Rights in the Middle East** valued at up to \$2000 is available to students who are 25 years old or younger and live in the Middle East or America. You must submit an essay of 600-2,000 words addressing one of the questions listed on the sponsor's Web site. You must reside in an Arab League member state, Iran or the United States and essays may be submitted in English, French, Arabic or Farsi. For more information, log on to the website at [www.hamsaweb.org/essay-contest.php](http://www.hamsaweb.org/essay-contest.php). Entries must be submitted by **January 31, 2007.**

**Virginia Tech College of Engineering** has scholarships available to incoming freshman. Davenport leaders are awarded the equivalent of in-state tuition and fees and Dean's Scholars are awarded \$5000 annually. For additional information and applications materials, visit [www.eng.vt.edu/ddscholars](http://www.eng.vt.edu/ddscholars). Applications must be submitted by **February 1, 2007.**

**Phi Delta Kappa International** awards scholarships to prospective educators. Scholarship amounts range from \$500 to \$5000 over four years. Students are selected based on academic standing, written essay, recommendations, and leadership activities. Applications are available online at [www.pdkintl.org/awards/pros\\_ed.shtm](http://www.pdkintl.org/awards/pros_ed.shtm) and must be submitted by **February 1, 2007**.

**Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.** is sponsoring the **National Education Foundation Scholarship**. Scholarships will be awarded to students who have been accepted to a college or university. Amounts will vary between \$500-\$1000. Applications are available online at [www.ZphiB1920.org](http://www.ZphiB1920.org) and must be submitted by **February 1, 2007**.

The **Hispanic Heritage Youth Awards** has begun its search for America's top Hispanic high school seniors. Each selected student will be awarded a scholarship valued from \$2000-\$5000. Students will be selected in six categories: academic excellence, community service, engineering, mathematics, healthcare, journalism, and sports. Applications are available online at [www.hispanicheritage.org](http://www.hispanicheritage.org) and must be submitted by **February 2, 2007**.

The **Washington Post** is sponsoring the **7<sup>th</sup> Annual High School Writing Seminar and Scholarship Program** for students with an interest in a print journalism career. Two scholarships of \$2500 will be awarded. Applications are available on the web at [www.washpost.com/yjdp](http://www.washpost.com/yjdp) and must be postmarked by **February 8, 2007**.

**The Art Institutes** is sponsoring **Best Teen Chef Culinary Scholarship Competition** on March 11, 2006. Students must have at least a 2.0 GPA. Entry forms must be submitted by **February 9, 2007**. For more information, visit [www.artinstitutes.edu/btc](http://www.artinstitutes.edu/btc).

The **Potomac Chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers** is pleased to announce a scholarship opportunity worth \$1000. Students must be planning to major in accounting, economics, finance, or management. Applications are available in the career center and must be submitted by **February 9, 2007**.

**West Virginia University Division of Theater and Dance** is hosting their 2007-2008 Theatre Scholarship Audition Day on **February 10, 2007**. For more information call the Division at 304-293-4841, ext. 3120.

**The Greater Washington Urban League, Inc. and Safeway** are offering a scholarship opportunity for six students. Students will receive a scholarship valued at \$3000. Applications must be submitted by **February 15, 2007**. To obtain an application contact Audrey Epperson @ 202-265-8200.

**Best Buy** is sponsoring the **Best Buy Scholarship** for seniors. More than 1700 seniors will receive scholarships valued from \$1500-\$10,000. Students will be selected based on community service and academic achievement. To apply, visit [www.bestbuy.com/scholarships](http://www.bestbuy.com/scholarships). Applications must be submitted by **February 15, 2007**.

**Monsanto** is accepting applications for the **Commitment to Agriculture Scholarship Program**. Over 100 \$1500 scholarships will be awarded to students who come from a farm family, have at least an above average GPA and plan on pursuing a career in agriculture. Applications are available online at [www.monsanto.com](http://www.monsanto.com) or [www.nafb.com](http://www.nafb.com) and must be postmarked by **February 15, 2007**.

**Ronald McDonald House Charities** is offering the **RMHC National Scholarship Program** worth a minimum of \$1000. Eligible students must submit a completed application by **February 15, 2007**. Applications are available online at [www.rmhc.org](http://www.rmhc.org). Click on Programs.

**USA Funds** is offering a \$1500 scholarship to seniors with annual incomes of less than \$35,000. Priority consideration will be given to students who are members of an ethnic minority group or have a documented physical disability. Students can apply online at [www.usafunds.org/scholarship](http://www.usafunds.org/scholarship). Applications must be submitted by **February 15, 2007**.

The **Howard U. Alumni Club of P.G. County** is accepting applications for their \$500 scholarship. Students must be able to confirm their acceptance to Howard U. by April 2007. Applications are available online at [www.huaaonline.org](http://www.huaaonline.org) and must be submitted by **February 15, 2007**.

**Johnson and Wales University's Chancellor's Scholarship** program gives high academic achievers an opportunity to earn renewable scholarships valued from \$7500 to full tuition. Students must be accepted into the honors program to be eligible for the scholarship. For more information visit the website at [www.jwu.edu](http://www.jwu.edu).

**Johnson and Wales** is searching for the National High School Chef of the Year. More than \$900,000 in scholarships will be awarded this year. To enter the contest, go online at [www.jwu.edu/culinary](http://www.jwu.edu/culinary). Entries must be postmarked by **February 15, 2007**.

**The New College of Florida Honors College** announces that all first time in college students admitted for Fall 2007 will be considered for scholarship funding to attend New College. Applications for admission must be submitted by **February 15, 2007**.

The **National Commission for Cooperative Education** is sponsoring its **5<sup>th</sup> Annual National Co-op Scholarship Program**. The commission will award 113 \$5000 merit scholarships to students planning to participate in college cooperative education. Students must have at least a 3.5 GPA and apply to one of the ten colleges participating in the CO-OP program. Applications are available online at [www.co-op.edu](http://www.co-op.edu) and must be postmarked by **February 15, 2007**.

**The Baltimore Community Foundation** offers scholarships to study art, music, and more. Each scholarship has its own unique criteria. For more information visit [www.bcf.org](http://www.bcf.org). Applications must be submitted by **February 15, 2007**.

**McDonald's** is accepting applications for the **McDonald's Educates Scholarship**. Each scholarship recipient will receive \$1500. Students who demonstrate leadership, community service, scholarship with at least a 3.0, and character are encouraged to apply. Applications must be submitted by **February 16, 2007**. Applications are also online at [www.mcdonaldscollegeexpo.com](http://www.mcdonaldscollegeexpo.com).

The **AXA Achievement Community Scholarship Program** offers \$2000 college scholarships to seniors who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in activities in school, community, or the workplace. Applications are available online at [www.axaonline.com](http://www.axaonline.com) and must be postmarked by **February 16, 2007**.

**The 2007 KFC Colonel's Scholarship Program** is accepting applications for their \$20,000 scholarship. Students must have at least a 2.75 GPA. Applications are available online at [www.kfcscholars.org](http://www.kfcscholars.org) and must be submitted by **February 16, 2007**.

**The University of Maryland College Park** announces **Dance Scholarships** for gifted and talented freshman majors. Applications are due on **February 17, 2007**. Applications can be requested via email at [dancedept@umd.edu](mailto:dancedept@umd.edu) or at 301-405-3180.

**The Air Force Officers' Wives' Club** is accepting applications for their scholarship for students who are dependents of active duty, retired, or deceased US Air Force members residing in the D.C. area. Applications must be submitted by **February 23, 2007**.

The **U.S. Pan Asian American Chamber of Commerce** is accepting applications for several scholarships valued up to \$5000. Students must have at least a 3.3 GPA, demonstrate leadership skills, be involved in extracurricular activities, and have financial need. Applications are available online at [www.uspaacc.com](http://www.uspaacc.com) and must be submitted by **February 23, 2007**.

The **Lambda Phi Chapter of Chi Eta Phi Sorority, Inc.** is accepting applications for the **2007 Nursing Scholarship**. Students who have been accepted into a nursing program are eligible. Students must also demonstrate financial need, community service, and academic achievement. Applications are available in the career center. Completed applications must be submitted by **February 27, 2007**.

The **Board of Directors of the Attrus C. Fleming Music Scholarship Fund** invites students to apply for their \$1000 scholarship. The 2006-2007 competition will be judged on classical voice performance only. For an application and more information visit [www.flemingmusicscholarship.org](http://www.flemingmusicscholarship.org). Applications and other materials must be submitted by **February 28, 2007**.

**Prince George's County Public Schools** will award two \$500 scholarships to students: one scholarship is for a student planning to attend PGCC and the other is for a student planning to attend another post-secondary institution. Students must have at least a 2.5 GPA, have good school attendance, completed the community service hour requirement, and demonstrate good citizenship. Students must also submit a 250-300 word essay on "The Value of the College Fair in the College Selection Process." Completed applications must be submitted to Mrs. Collins-Swain by **February 28, 2007**. Applications are available in the guidance office and the career center.

The **Race for Education** is accepting applications for two scholarships:

- **Horsemen's Scholarship:** available to children of racetrack or horse farm employees;
- **Thoroughbred Scholarship:** available to any students who wish to pursue a career in veterinary medicine, agriculture science, racetrack management, or equine business management.

To be eligible for either scholarship, students must have at least a 2.5 GPA and have an annual income or less than \$60,000. Applications are available online at [www.racingscholarships.com](http://www.racingscholarships.com) and must be postmarked by **February 28, 2007**.

**Educational Communications Scholarship Foundation** will award a minimum of sixty-one scholarships valued from \$1000 - \$6,000. Students will be selected based on GPA, SAT/ACT scores, activities, and financial need. Applications must be submitted by **February 28, 2007**. For more information about the scholarship, visit [www.ecisf.org](http://www.ecisf.org).

**The Calgon Take Me Away to College Scholarship** competition valued at up to \$5000 is open to females, 18-years of age or older who are legal residents of the U.S. You must be starting college full time in the fall or already be enrolled at an accredited four-year school in the U.S. You must have a minimum 3.0 GPA and complete the official entry form found on the sponsor's web site at [www.takemeaway.com](http://www.takemeaway.com). Applications must be submitted by **February 28, 2007**.

Applications for the **Guaranteed Access Grant** are available online and in guidance. Students must have at least a 2.5 unweighted GPA and plan to enroll at a Maryland College or university full-time during Fall of 2007. You must also meet family income requirements. Applications must be submitted by **March 1, 2007**. More information is available at [www.mhec.state.md.us](http://www.mhec.state.md.us). You will also find more information on State scholarships at this website.

Scholarships.com announces the 2007 Resolve to Evolve \$10,000 essay contest. Students must complete a scholarship search at [www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com) to enter.

## Open Houses/College Tours

Arrow Collegiate Tours presents the historically black colleges and universities tour for all high school students April 10-15, 2007. The cost is \$399 per person which includes transportation, some meals, and accommodations. For more information contact Sabrina Crowder at 301-505-2859 or Catrice Humphries at 301-642-9165. You can also visit the website at [www.arrowcollegiatetour.com](http://www.arrowcollegiatetour.com).

## **Announcements/Job Opportunities**

College Goal Sunday offers free help from financial aid professionals to complete the FAFSA. They will be on location in our area at Prince George's Community College on February 11, 2007 from 2-4pm. For more information visit [www.go2goal.org](http://www.go2goal.org) or call 866-GO-2-GOAL.

Robert Ross International University of Nursing, St. Kitts is accepting applications for admission into their Associates degree in Nursing program. The first three semesters are completed at the St. Kitts campus after which students will transfer to one of the affiliated U.S. colleges to complete the final year. Students can go to [www.juon.org](http://www.juon.org) for more information.

The PGCPS Scholarship and Financial Aid Center at Largo H.S. is hosting a workshop on January 20 on the FAFSA: the Path to Financial Aid at 10am. On February 24, 2007, a workshop for the undecided will be held at 10am. For more information call 301-808-4089 or email [wilhemina.goff@pgcps.org](mailto:wilhemina.goff@pgcps.org).

If you missed the LHS Financial Aid Night, Prince Georges Community College will be hosting a Financial Aid Session at High Point H.S. on February 22, 2007 from 7-9pm.

MNCPPC will be in the cafeteria on January 11, 2007 to recruit for summer employment/community service.