

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: The Society of Professional Journalists is sponsoring a high school essay contest on “Why free news media are important.” Students must submit a 300-500 word essay. First place is a \$1000 scholarship. Essays must be postmarked by **March 1, 2007**. For more information go to www.spj.org.

All Students: The Kohl’s Kids Who Care Program provides Kohl’s an annual opportunity to recognize and reward kids who volunteer in their communities. Any adult can nominate students. Each store will have one winner from each age group. Each regional winner will be awarded a \$1000 scholarship and each National winner will be awarded a \$5000 scholarship. Nominations must be submitted by **March 15, 2007**. Nomination forms are available online at www.kohlscorporation.com.

All Students: DverCITY is accepting entries for the **African-American History Month Essay Contest**. Students must submit a 500-word essay on what significant African-American History individual or event you learned about during the month of February. Describe how you learned about the important history fact and why it impacted your life. Students can submit their entries via email to contests@dvercity.com or fax to 850-402-9826 by **March 31, 2007**.

Juniors and Seniors: Elder and Leemaaur Publishers is awarding the “**University Writing Scholarship**” valued at up to \$10,000. Students must submit an essay on of the available topics online at www.elpublishers.com/content/univsubmit.php. Entries must be submitted by **March 1, 2007**.

Juniors and Seniors: Time Warner Cable and PBS are accepting applications for the **2007 Kids Speak Out Contest** for 11th and 12th grade students. Each winner will receive a \$500 scholarship. Students must submit a 500-word essay. Entries must be submitted by **March 2, 2007**. Information can be found online at www.ideastream.org.

Juniors and Seniors: The Emma L. Bowen Foundation is seeking high school students for **PAID** summer internships in television, radio, or cable systems throughout the U.S. Students who have at least a 3.0GPA and are interested in media and plan to attend a four-year college are encouraged to apply. More information is available online at www.emmabowenfoundation.com. Applications must be submitted by **March 31, 2007**.

The Defense Commissary Agency provides scholarships for military children. Students must plan to enroll in a 4-year college and have a 3.0 GPA. Applications are available online at www.commissaries.com and must be submitted by **February 21, 2007**. A postmark date is not acceptable.

Applications are now being accepted for the **Cynthia E. Morgan Scholarship Fund**. A \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a student who is a first-generation college bound student who will major in a medical-related field. For more information and to apply for the scholarship go to www.cemsfund.com. Applications must be submitted by **February 25, 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 Maryland Retailers Association Educational Foundation, Inc. is offering the **Gerald Jeffein Scholarship** in the amount of \$500. Selection will be based on academic performance, participation in extracurricular activities, school, and community activities and pursuit of a degree in marketing or other business major. Students must also have participated in a marketing or business program and be employed in the retail industry. Applications must be received by **February 28, 2007**.

Pfizer is hosting its annual scholarship for the **Pfizer Epilepsy Scholarship Award**. Each scholarship is worth \$3000. To qualify, a student must be under a physician's care for epilepsy. The application is available on the web at www.epilepsy-scholarship.com and must be submitted by **March 1, 2007**.

Frostburg State U is offering the **J.B. Joynt III Memorial Scholarship** to a Laurel H.S. student who is planning to attend Frostburg State U. Applications are available in the career center and must be postmarked by **March 1, 2007**.

The Maryland Farm Bureau will offer ten \$1000 scholarships to students whose parents/guardians are members of the Maryland Farm Bureau. Seven scholarships will be offered to agricultural curriculum majors and three will be offered to non-agricultural majors. Applications must be submitted by **March 1, 2007**.

McDonald's recognizes and supports outstanding youth for their academic and community achievements through its scholarship program **McDonald's Educates**. Scholarship recipients will receive \$1500 each. Eligible students must demonstrate leadership skills academically and in the community. Applications are available online at www.mcdonaldseducates.com and must be submitted by **March 1, 2007**.

Applications are now available for the **Guaranteed Access Grant** offered by the State of Maryland. Students must have a 2.5 GPA and meet the family income bracket. Applications are available online at www.mhec.state.md.us and must be submitted by **March 1, 2007**.

The **Print and Graphics Scholarship Foundation** will offer 300 scholarships to students interested in a career in graphic communications. Applications are available online at www.ipa.org/pdf/pgsfapp.pdf and must be postmarked by **March 1, 2007**.

The American Chemical Society is sponsoring the **ASC Scholars Program** for minority students who are high academic achievers in chemistry or science and plan to pursue a degree in the chemical sciences or chemical technology. Applications are available online at www.chemistry.org/scholars and must be submitted by **March 1, 2007**.

Kaplan is sponsoring the **Kaplan/Newsweek "My Turn" Essay Competition** worth up to \$5000. Students must submit a 500-1000 word original essay on a topic of choice that shares an opinion, experience, or personal feeling. Entries must be postmarked by **March 1, 2007**. Applications are available online at www.newsweekeducation.com.

The **National Italian American Foundation** will offer scholarships to Italian American students who have at least a 3.5 GPA and to students of any ethnic background majoring/minoring in Italian language, Italian studies. Awards range from \$2500-\$10,000. Applications are available online at www.niaf.org and must be submitted by **March 1, 2007**.

The **Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation, Inc.** provides financial assistance to dependents of current or former U.S. Marines. One year scholarships are awarded to students who have at least a 2.0 GPA. Applications are available online at www.mcsf.org and must be postmarked by **March 1, 2007**.

The **National Press Club** is sponsoring the **Ellen Masin Persina/National Press Club Scholarship** worth \$20,000 for a minority senior interested in pursuing a career in print or broadcast journalism. Students

must have at least a 2.75 GPA. Applications are available online at www.press.org/activities/scholarships.cfm and must be postmarked by **March 1, 2007**.

The **Services Employees International Union (SEIU)** is awarding fifteen \$1000 renewable scholarships to students who are dependents of an employee of the SEIU. Selections for the scholarship will be based on lottery. Applications are available online at www.seiu.org/mbe/scholarships/scholarships07/seiu.cfm and must be submitted by **March 1, 2007**.

The Society of Women Engineers Baltimore-Washington Section announces the 2006 Scholarship Program. Students must be females who have an overall GPA of 3.0 or above and planning to enroll in an ABET accredited or CSAB accredited engineering degree program. THE deadline for the local SWE-BWS scholarship is **March 1, 2007** and the deadline for a national freshman scholarship is **May 15, 2007**. Information for these scholarships can be found at www.swe-bws.org and www.swe.org.

The **Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA)** is hosting the **Scotts Company Scholars Program**. Five finalists will receive a \$500 award and qualify to complete a summer internship that they must secure. To be eligible students must pursue a career in the green industry. Applications are available online at www.gcsaa.org/students/scholarships/default.asp and must be received by **March 1, 2007**.

The McDonald's National Employee Scholarship Program recognizes and rewards the accomplishments of McDonald's student-employees who excel in their studies and serve their communities. One student-employee from each state will receive a \$1000 scholarship. To be eligible students must be currently employed and have at least four months of continuous employment, and work a minimum of 15 hours. Applications are available online at www.mcdonalds.com/usa/good/people/scholarship.html and must be postmarked by **March 1, 2007**.

The **MG James Ursano Scholarship Fund** awards scholarships to unmarried dependent children of Army soldiers (active, retired, or deceased). Applications are available online at www.aerhq.org/education_dependentchildren_mgjames.asp and must be postmarked by **March 1, 2007**.

The American Association of Blacks in Energy Washington D.C. Metro Chapter will award a scholarship in the amount of \$2500. Students must have at least a "B" average overall and a "B" average in science and mathematics courses, plan to major in engineering, mathematics, or the physical sciences, demonstrate financial need, and be a member of an underrepresented minority group in the sciences and related areas of technology. For more information go to www.aabe.org. Applications must be submitted by **March 2, 2007**.

The Andrews Air Force Base Officers' Spouses Club is sponsoring their educational achievement scholarships valued between \$1500 and \$2000 -to seniors who are dependents of active duty assigned or living at Andrews AFB or dependents of civilian DOD employees assigned to Andrews AFB. Students must submit their application by **March 4, 2007**.

The **Jewish Social Services Agency** has several scholarships and loans available to students who are Jewish. Awards are based on financial need, rather than merit. Applications are available online at www.jssa.org and must be submitted by **March 9, 2007**.

America's Dairy Farmers and Milk Processors and USA Today is pleased to announce the **7th Annual "Scholar Athlete Milk Mustache of the Year" Award Program**. Twenty-five scholar athletes will receive a \$7500 scholarship from Milk, an invitation to attend the Sammy 2006 weekend in Orlando, and an opportunity to be pictured in a Milk Mustache ad. Students must apply online at www.sammyapplication.com. Applications must be submitted by **March 9, 2007**.

Fashion Institute of Technology Presidential Scholars Program offers specially designed honors liberal arts courses. Students also receive a \$500 annual stipend. Applications must be submitted by **March 14**

for Bachelor's degree program and **March 22, 2007** for the associate's degree program. For more information, visit www.fitnyc.edu/honors.

The Prince George's County Chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc. will award scholarships up to \$2500 to students who demonstrate financial need, academic achievement (at least a 3.0), and service to the community and/or school and submit an essay. Applications are available online at www.jackandjillfoundation.org and must be postmarked by **March 14, 2007**.

Richmond the American International University in London rewards scholarships to students based on relative academic promise of the applicant. Students who submit their application by **March 15, 2007** will be given preferential consideration. For more information go to www.richmond.ac.uk.

USA Funds Access to Education Scholarships offer financial support to students with economic need. Up to 50 percent of awards are targeted to members of ethnic minority groups or individuals with physical disabilities. Awards of \$1500 for full-time students and \$750 for half-time students will be awarded to students who qualify. Applicants must have an adjusted gross family income of \$35,000 or less and have at least a 2.5 GPA. Applications are available on the web at www.usafunds.org and must be postmarked by **March 15, 2007**.

The American Postal Workers Union, AFL-CIO is accepting applications for two of their scholarship programs: **E.C. Hallbeck Memorial Scholarship Program** for students who are the children or grandchildren of an active member, retiree, or deceased member of the American Postal Workers Union and the **Vocational Scholarship Program** worth \$3000 for students interested in programs of study leading to a trade, technical, industrial, or vocational occupations. Applications can be downloaded at www.apwu.org and must be postmarked by **March 15, 2007**.

The Maryland PTA offers scholarships of \$300 to high school graduates who plan to pursue a career in the public schools of Maryland. Selection will be based on scholarship achievement, financial need, community involvement, character, and local PTA sponsorship. Applications are available online at www.mdpta.org and must be postmarked by **March 15, 2007**.

The Kesi Gilford Reynaud Memorial Foundation is accepting applications for their \$1500 scholarship program. Students must have demonstrated financial need and have at least a 2.5 GPA. Applications must be submitted by **March 15, 2007**.

Baltimore International College invites students to participate in the **BIC's Cakes of Maryland Competition** on April 14, 2007 from 8-12noon. Students will have the opportunity to experience the world of culinary pastry design. A total of \$18,000 in scholarships will be given as prizes for the competition. Entry forms must be submitted by **March 16, 2007**.

The Maryland Association of Private Colleges and Career Schools Scholarship Program is accepting applications from students who will attend a MAPCS career school (i.e. Lincoln Tech) in the fall of 2006. Over \$245,225 worth of scholarships will be awarded. Applications must be received in the career school office by **March 23, 2007**.

The University of Michigan Club of Washington, D.C. offers one \$20,000 merit/need-based scholarship to a student who plans to enroll at the University of Michigan. Applications are available on the web at www.umclubs.com/washdc/ and are due by **March 23, 2007**.

The Minority Affairs Committee of Prince George's County Educator's Association will award scholarships in the amount of \$500 to minority students who have at least a "B" average, are good citizens at school and in the community, and have exhibited leadership qualities in school and/or community. Applications must be postmarked by **March 28, 2007**.

The Naval Officers' Wives Club of Washington, DC offers merit scholarships to seniors who are dependent children of active duty, retired, or deceased U.S. Navy service members. Applications must be submitted by **March 29, 2007**.

My Sister's Keeper, Inc. Scholarship Foundation is accepting applications from students who have at least a 3.0 GPA. Four scholarships will be awarded for up to \$1000. Applications must be postmarked by **March 30, 2007**. Applications are available online at www.mysisters-keeper.org.

The **Xi Alpha Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.** will award \$1000 from the **Ira Dorsey Scholarship Endowment Fund, Inc.** Students must demonstrate financial need, participation in extracurricular activities, and have at least a 2.5 GPA. Applications are available online at www.apaxal.com and must be postmarked by **March 30, 2007**.

The Federal Employee Education and Assistance Fund is sponsoring a scholarship for current civilian federal or postal employees and their dependent family members. All applicants must have at least a 3.0 GPA. Applications are available on the web at www.feea.org and must be submitted by **March 30, 2007**.

St. Philip's Episcopal Church of Laurel has established the **Absalom Jones Scholarship Fund**. Two \$1000 scholarships will be awarded to students who have demonstrated the qualities exemplified by Rev. Absalom Jones (i.e., compassion, leadership, service, interest in education) and who are in need of financial assistance. Applications must be postmarked by **March 31, 2007**. Applications can be found at www.stphilipslaurel.org.

Northrop Grumman will award a \$10,000 engineering scholarship. Students must have at least a 3.5 GPA, a minimum SAT score of 1700, and be accepted in an approved engineering program. Applications are available online at www.es.northropgrumman.com and must be submitted by **March 31, 2007**.

The National Foster Parent Association, Inc. offers scholarships to foster youth who wish to further their education beyond high school. Applications are available on the web at www.nfpainc.org and must be postmarked by **March 31, 2007**.

The **League of United Latin American Citizens de Maryland** is accepting applications from Hispanic and minority students for the **LULAC National Scholarships Fund**. Awards range from \$250-\$1000. Students will be selected based on a number of criteria including GPA of 3.25 or above, 840 or above on the SAT, need, community involvement, and leadership activities. Applications are available in the career center and online at www.lulac.org/programs/scholar.html and must be submitted by **March 31, 2007**.

The **2007 National Maritime Intelligence Center Chapter of Blacks in Government** is accepting applications from students who have at least a 2.5 GPA. Applications must be postmarked by **March 31, 2007**.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. is accepting applications for their 2007 scholarship. Students must have at least a 3.0 GPA and be in good standing in Prince George's County Public Schools. Applications are available in the career center and must be received by **March 31, 2007**.

The Baltimore Regional Chapter of the National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO-BRC) announces the **Barbara Balter Entrepreneurial Spirit Scholarship** program. Two female students who have demonstrated entrepreneurial talents will be awarded \$1000. Interested students should apply online at www.nawbomaryland.org/wh_scholarship.phtml by **March 31, 2007**.

The Georgiana Thomas Grand Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, Prince Hall Affiliation awards scholarships to graduating seniors. Students must submit a 300-word essay and two letters of recommendation. Applications must be submitted by **March 31, 2007**.

LHS can nominate one student to receive \$1000 per semester valued up to \$9000 for **DeVry University's Community Scholar Award**. Students must have at least a 2.7 GPA or be in the top 50% of the class. If interested in being nominated please see Mrs. Collins-Swain for a nomination form.

Minority high school seniors who demonstrate high achievement with a minimum of 23 on the ACT and 900 on the SAT, leadership potential, and financial need are eligible to apply for the **Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship** valued at up to \$7200 annually. Applications are available online at www.jackierobinson.org/apply and must be submitted by **March 31, 2007**.

The Education Committee of the Oxon Hill Chapter of the American Business Women's Association is accepting applications for the following scholarships: The ABWA Oxon Hill Chapter Charter Chapter scholarship (2.5 required) and the Timothy Wyatt Scholarship (no gpa). Applications are available in the career center and must be submitted by March 31, 2007.

College Prowler and Wachovia has partnered to bring students a \$1000 monthly scholarship. Scholarships will be awarded to students that submit the best college application essay. To submit your essay, go to www.collegeproowler.com/the_scholarship.asp.

Open Houses/College Tours

The 5th Annual HBCU College Festival will be held at the Alfred Street Baptist Church in Alexandria, VA on February 18, 2007 from 9-2pm. Some colleges will be offering on the spot admissions as well as fee waivers. For more information go to www.alfredstreet.org.

Pennsylvania College of Art and Design is hosting an Open House March 17, 2007 from 10-3pm. For more information or to register contact the admissions office at 717-396-7833 or by email at admissions@pcad.edu.

The Washington Inter-Alumni Council in conjunction with the United Negro College Fund, Inc. announces its 27th Black College Career Day on February 21, 2007 from 9-2pm at the Vermont Avenue Baptist Church in Washington, DC.

Announcements/Job Opportunities

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.

The PGCPs Scholarship and Financial Aid Center at Largo H.S. is hosting a workshop on February 24, 2007 for the undecided at 10am. For more information call 301-808-4089 or email wilhemina.goff@pgcps.org.

Amtrak is offering its free companion offer for campus visits. High school juniors and seniors visiting a college campus can take a parent or guardian along as a free companion. For more information visit www.campusvisit.com. The offer is valid for sale between now and December 7, 2007 and is valid for travel from January 5-December 14, 2007.

Southern Management and the P.G. Chamber of Commerce are hosting a Career Fair full of workshops focused on scholarships, internships, and life after high school. Various area colleges and major businesses offering employment opportunities for students will also be in attendance. The event is hosted by WKYS and will take place on April 18, 2007 at the Best Western in Oxon Hill, MD from 9-12pm.