

Scholarship and Awards Bulletin

2025-2026

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(Please visit the listed website for more information)

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SCHOLARSHIP - **Coca-Cola Scholars Program**

CRITERIA - Seniors are evaluated on the basis of outstanding academic achievement, extracurricular activities and community service.

DEADLINE - Submitted electronically by **September 30, 2025** (5:00 PM EST)

www.coca-colascholars.org

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SCHOLARSHIP - **Elks MVS Scholarship**

CRITERIA - Seniors must be US citizens and plan to attend a four year college. Applicants will be evaluated on the basis of scholarship, leadership, and financial need.

DEADLINE - Submitted electronically by **November 12, 2025** (11:59 PM PST)

<https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/MVS.cfm>

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SCHOLARSHIP - **2025-2026 Japan Center Essay Competition**

CRITERIA - All high school students are eligible to write an essay discussing one or more aspects of Japan including art, culture, tradition, values, philosophy, history, society, politics, business, and technology in relation to their personal experiences, views, and/or future goals. (*Applicants do not need to have any experience in visiting Japan or studying Japanese.*)

DEADLINE - Submitted electronically by **January 8, 2026** www.stonybrook.edu/japancenter

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SCHOLARSHIP - **VFW Voice of Democracy Speech Writing Competition**

CRITERIA - A national speech writing competition open to 9th -12th grade students.

DEADLINE - Must be submitted by **October 31, 2025** to a local VFW Post

www.vfw.org/community/youth-and-education/youth-scholarships

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SCHOLARSHIP - **Varsity Tutors Monthly Scholarship Contest**

CRITERIA - Students who are 16 or older can write essays for a chance to win a scholarship.

DEADLINE - *Ongoing*

www.varsitytutors.com/college-scholarship

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SCHOLARSHIP - **Hispanic Heritage Foundation (HHF) Youth Awards**

CRITERIA - Seniors will be selected based on accomplishments in the classroom and in the community. Applicants must have at least an unweighted 3.0 GPA. There are a variety of categories to apply for.

DEADLINE - Submitted electronically by **November 2, 2025** (11:59 PM PST)

<https://hispanicheritage.org/programs/leadership/youth-awards/>

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SCHOLARSHIP - **2026 Profiles in Courage Essay Contest**
CRITERIA - Students in grades 9-12 can write an original essay that demonstrates an understanding of political courage as described by John F. Kennedy in *Profiles of Courage*.
DEADLINE - Submitted electronically by **January 12, 2026** (11:59 PM EST)
<https://www.jfklibrary.org/learn/education/profile-in-courage-essay-contest>

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SCHOLARSHIP - **The Cooke College Scholarship Program**
CRITERIA - Seniors who plan to attend a four year college or university. Applicants will be evaluated on academic achievement (unweighted GPA of 3.75 or higher) and financial need (gross annual family income not to exceed \$95,000.)
DEADLINE - Submitted electronically by **November 12, 2025**
<https://www.jkcf.org/our-scholarships/college-scholarship-program>

DAHS 12th Grade College Planning Night
DAHS Auditorium - September 18th at 7:00 PM

District Financial Aid Night
MacArthur HS Auditorium - October 16th at 7:00 PM

For more information on scholarships and financial aid try these websites:

www.fastweb.com

www.appily.com

www.finaid.org

www.scholarships.com

www.edvisors.com

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search>

<https://studentscholarships.org/>

<https://accessscholarships.com/>

Remember to check the websites of the colleges to which you are applying for specific scholarship information and financial aid directions and deadlines.

