

College and Career News
Winter Scholarship Edition

Are you working hard to find scholarships? Remember, the money is out there, it is your job to find it! However, this is a very lengthy edition because I have found some for you! Scroll to the end to see this extensive list! Take the time to read this entire newsletter and then follow through and apply. You will be glad you did! Time sensitive material is marked in **Red!** Remember our Goal: The Senior Class of 2017 will be offered at least \$4,289,189 dollars in scholarship money and will accept at least \$1,398,000 dollars! 😊 Let's go get it! If you will set aside 30 minutes each day to search for an apply for scholarships, you will be amazed at the results!

Check out other helpful documents at the "Counselors Corner" of the High School website

Events at CHS!!!

Jan. 23	UCO Rep to Visit with Students	Lunch	C306**
Feb. 1	OSU Rep to Visit with Admitted Seniors		C office
Feb. 8	NEO Rep to Visit with Students	Lunch	C306**

** Potential Student Visits involve a recruiter from the school coming to talk to students about the programs and opportunities the school offers. They discuss admission requirements and financial aid as well. The procedure to participate begins when students sign up in the counseling office indicating their interest. On the day of the visit, students should take their lunch and report to C306 **

Are you on Mrs. Pierce/Mrs. Tuell's Senior Remind App? It is different from Senior English (Mrs. Woods). To register Enter "81010" in the "To" box and text the message "srcoweta". It is especially important during this busy Spring semester to stay in touch this way. I have activated the messaging portion of the app, so you are able to message me with a concerns/issues.

Concurrent Enrollment

All concurrent students must turn in their grades from blackboard to Mrs. Bible weekly beginning Jan. 25. If no grades are reported, students will be placed on the ineligible list which includes forfeiting Black Card Fridays. Don't forget!

College and Career Events and News

Still trying to decide what college to attend and what to study there? The College Board can help! Visit <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/>

OCCC- Oklahoma City Community College- Do you want to move away but think a community college is the right way for you to start your college career? Did you know that OCCC offers merit based tuition waivers? The waiver amounts are based on the student's composite score on the national ACT. Students who score a 21 are eligible for a 3 hour credit tuition waiver. Scores of 22 - 23 receive a 6 hour credit tuition waiver, scores of 24-26 will receive a 9 hour credit tuition waiver, and scores of 27-30 will receive a 12 hour credit tuition waiver.

Website: <http://www.occc.edu/admissions/act-now.html>

SWOSU -Southwestern Oklahoma State University Honors Program: To qualify for admission into the SWOSU Honors Program, a student must meet these three requirements: a minimum composite score of 28 on the ACT or a SAT score of 1250, have a 3.5 GPA or higher on a 4.0 grading scale, and have been admitted into SWOSU. Deadline March 1, 2017

OU:

Planning to apply at OU? Several of our faculty are alumni and have an alumni code that can be used to waive the \$40 application fee. See Mrs. Pierce if you are interested.

OSUITT:

Are you looking for a more "hands-on" career? OSUITT is a technical university that offers associate and bachelor degrees that are centered around applied learning. They offer personalized tours daily. Visit their website at http://www.osuit.edu/tour_request or call Meghan Emerson at 918-293-5218 to schedule a tour or get more information.

College of the Muscogee Nation:

Did you know that this college is open to students from federally recognized tribes and gives significant financial aid and scholarships for students interested in pursuing opportunities in Tribal Services, Political Science, Native American Studies, and Gaming. Visit their website at www.mvsktc.org for more information.

Opportunities

Summer Youth Program

The Muscogee Creek Nation's Department of Education and Training provides resources for Native American Youth in addition to Summer Employment. Applications are in the Counseling office and are due by March 31st.

Interested in a career in Aviation? Don't Miss this opportunity!

TCC's Aviation Center is hosting a fun and informal event to explore Career Pathways in Aviation. We will be available to answer questions about degree programs offered at the Aviation Center. Professionals in aviation career fields will be in attendance to visit with individuals. They will share their pathways and answer questions on how they got there, their victories, and their challenges. Tours of TCC's new aviation facility will be provided and **simulator flights** (How fun!) When? Wednesday, **January 18, 2017** from 3:00pm-5:00pm Where? Jones/Riverside Airport 112 Beechcraft Drive Tulsa, OK

Would you like to be a Page at our State Capitol?

Representative McDugle, wants to encourage you to apply! This is an awesome opportunity to spend a week in OKC where you will network, learn about our government, meet other student leaders from across the state, and build your resume. Pick up Information sheet and application in the counseling department and return to Mrs. Pierce as soon as possible but no later than **February 1**.

ACT Prep Camps

NSU offers Prep Camps before each national testing date. Go to <https://academics.nsuok.edu/continuingeducation/ACTPrepCamps.aspx> for more information and to register. These are also offered at the Broken Arrow campus.

ACT Fee Waivers

Two Waivers are available for students that qualify on free or reduced lunch or are in Educational Talent Search. Come by the counseling office to pick one up! The ACT fee will be reimbursed to those who are on the JOM/Native American rolls. See Mrs. Minter in Room D405 for details.

ACT Tips and Prep

Prepare to do your best by working the program at www.march2success.com It is a free website that was created by the Army that includes subject area tutorials, games, flashcards and seven REAL practice tests. There is no obligation to be interested in the military. It is free to all and has been proven to raise scores.

SAT

Fee Waivers are now available in the counseling office

FASFA and Financial Aid

Don't forget to complete your FASFA! It is important to complete your FASFA and apply for college admission in order to be eligible to compete for the highest financial awards. State deadline for grants is March 1! Get it in as soon as possible!

Here are some step-by-step resources available to help you file the FAFSA. The following video was created for the 2016-2017 FASFA but because you will file based on 2015 taxes the video contains the correct procedures. Follow the same procedures but choose to file for the 2017-2018 school year.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9fSeHK4ceGs> Video walk-through of the FASFA
Completing the following worksheet will help you gather all the information needed.

<https://fafsa.ed.gov/fotw1718/pdf/fafsaws17c.pdf>

Please be aware you should only use the official FAFSA at www.fafsa.ed.gov to complete your application. Other sites look alarmingly similar but will charge you to complete your FASFA.

Scholarships and Awards

PAF Scholarship: Deadline Jan. 31

The Professional Athletes Foundation Student Scholarship is designed for a high school athlete who intends to attend a university, college, or two-year institution that does not provide athletic scholarships. The Scholarship rewards high school athletes for their non-athletic achievements and assists them in achieving their career goals. Requirements include: 2.0 GPA, Accepted at a 2 or 4 year college, nominated by a high school coach, in varsity athletics for at least one year, has not accepted funds to participate in college athletics. Pick up application in the counseling office.

Association for Women in Mathematics and Math for America : Deadline Jan. 31

AWA and Math for America are co-sponsoring an essay contest for biographies of contemporary women mathematicians and statisticians in academic, industrial, and government careers. Three \$500 scholarships will be awarded. Your essay should be based primarily on an interview with a woman currently working in a mathematical career. The submission must be in essay form, not just a transcript of your interview. The essay should be approximately 500 to 1000 words in length. Go to <https://sites.google.com/site/awmmath/programs/essay-contest> for more details.

High School Student Essay Contest: Deadline: Jan 31

Award Amount: First place: \$1,000, Second place: \$750, Third place: \$500. To commemorate the life, courage and achievements of Elie Wiesel, The National WWII Museum asks high school students to respond to Wiesel's quote about the responsibility of individuals and governments to guarantee the safety and human rights of people around the world.

Website: <http://www.nationalww2museum.org/learn/education/for-students/essay-contests/high-school.html>

The Hammock Expert Scholarship: Deadline: Jan 31

Award is up to \$6,000 in scholarships, in \$1,500 increments. To be eligible, applicant must have a minimum 2.8 cumulative GPA (High school or university) and submit a 1000-1500-word essay answering the following question: How do you see technology impacting the world around us in the future and where do you see yourself in this future? All final essays should be submitted to paul@thehammockexpert.com. Please direct any scholarship questions to our Human Resources Department at hr@thehammockexpert.com
Website: <http://thehammockexpert.com/scholarship>

OKCollegeStart: Deadline: Feb. 3

In an effort to get students to use the wonderful resources found in www.okcollegestart.org They are offering an opportunity to win a \$250 scholarship. To be eligible, students must complete tasks found on the website such as identifying preferred majors, schools, and using the portfolio option to store preferences. Click on the tab at the bottom of the website to participate!

Daughters of the American Revolution: Deadline: Feb 10

All applicants must be citizens of the United States and must attend or plan to attend an accredited college or university in the United States. DAR chapter sponsorship is not required; however, a chapter or state chairman may work with the applicant to put the information together to send to the DAR Scholarship Committee.

Website : <http://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships/general-info>

Carolyn Watson Opportunities Scholars: Deadline Feb. 15

Award is up to \$10,000 per year. Requirements include a GPA of 3.25 or greater and a demonstrated exceptional ability and achievement in one of the following areas. 1) arts and humanities, (2) science and engineering or (3) community leadership.

<https://occf.academicworks.com/opportunities/1479>

AFA Teens for Alzheimer's Awareness College Scholarship: Deadline: Feb 15

AFA is pleased to offer the AFA Teens for Alzheimer's Awareness College Scholarship. Scholarship awards to deserving college-bound students will be a \$5,000 scholarship to the winner; and \$2,500 and \$1,000 scholarships to the first and second runners-up, respectively. Additionally, seven \$500 scholarships will be awarded for Honorable Mention.

Website: http://youngleadersofafa.org/about_new.html

Kohl's Cares' Scholarship Program: Deadline: March 13

Applicants must be nominated by parents, educators or community members.

Website: <http://www.studentscholarshipsearch.com/scholarships/kohls-kids-who-care-scholarship.php>

Aspiring Animation Professional Scholarship Program: Deadline March 15

\$1,000 scholarship. This will be awarded to students that are interested in pursuing an animation career path at an accredited post-secondary school or college. Visit the website, <http://www.animationcareerreview.com/> to find eligibility information along with the online application. The scholarship will be on the right side of the page and click on it.

Hiking Ambition Wellness Scholarship: Deadline: March 31

\$1,000 award. To participate in this scholarship, you will have to write about a practical approach to a healthy lifestyle during high school, college or university years.

Website: <http://hikingambition.com/scholarship/>

Aspiring Business Professional Scholarship: Deadline June 1

\$1,000 scholarship that will be awarded to students that are interested in pursuing a business degree at any accredited post-secondary school or college. Interested students can visit this link <http://www.onlinemba.com/> and find the scholarship located at the right side of the page and click on it.

SunTrust: Off to College Scholarship Sweepstakes

Two winners will be chosen every two weeks from Oct. 28, 2016 - May 12, 2017. For the twelfth consecutive year, Sun Trust will be offering the Off to College Scholarship Sweepstakes.

Students can enter for a chance to win a \$500 scholarship for education expenses at a 2 or 4 year public or private college/university located in the U.S.

Website: <https://www.suntruseducation.com/scholarshipsweepstakes/index.html>

Common Knowledge Scholarship Foundation Deadline Varies

CKSF offers a wide variety of scholarship quizzes throughout the year for U.S. high school, college, and graduate students. We even have some scholarships that parents can win for their children. Award amounts range from \$250 to \$2,500.

Website: <http://www.cksf.org/index.cfm?Page=Scholarships>

Oklahoma City Community Foundation Deadline Varies

If you're looking for scholarships, don't forget to visit OCCF.org. There you'll find an abundance of scholarship opportunities for students right here in Oklahoma. The Oklahoma City Community Foundation is home to more than 120 scholarship funds established by individuals, organizations and companies. Most of these scholarships are open to students throughout Oklahoma, not just in the OKC area. Visit the website and explore the possibilities!

Website: www.occf.org/

Scholarships for Volunteers Reward Students Who Give Back Deadline Varies

There are local and national funds available to students volunteering in their communities.

Website: www.usnews.com/education/blogs/the-scholarship-coach/2012/12/06/scholarships-for-volunteers-reward-students-who-give-back

The Molly Brotman Future Leaders through Education Scholarship Deadline Varies

\$500 scholarship. Website: <http://info.sambrotman.com/scholarship>

Varsity Tutors Scholarship Deadline: Monthly

Monthly \$1,000 college scholarship contest where students must write an essay in response to a monthly prompt. Visitors to the Varsity Tutors scholarship webpage are able to vote via social media for submitted entries. The top five entries with the most votes are reviewed at the end of the month and one winner is subsequently chosen to receive the \$1,000 college scholarship.

Website: www.varsitytutors.com/college-scholarship

Book recommendation: "Winning Scholarships for College" by Marianne Ragins

Special Group Scholarships:

Financial Need:

Carolyn Watson Opportunities Scholarship- Deadline 2-15-17

Award is up to \$10,000 per year. Requirements include a demonstrated financial need, a GPA of 3.25 or greater and a demonstrated exceptional ability and achievement in one of the following areas. 1) arts and humanities, (2) science and engineering or (3) community leadership.

<https://occf.academicworks.com/opportunities/1479>

Minority Students With Financial Need: Deadline Feb. 15

The Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship

Through its Mentoring and Leadership Development Program, the Jackie Robinson Foundation provides scholarships of up to \$28,000/four years to minority high school students showing leadership potential and demonstrating financial need to attend an accredited 4-year college or university of their choice.

Website: <http://www.jackierobinson.org/apply/>

Parent/Grandparent who Served in the Military:

Legacy Scholarship is an American Legion scholarship that provides a great opportunity for children of post-9/11 veterans. Each award is good for one year for up to \$20,000.

<http://www.legion.org/scholarships/legacy>

Folds of Honor Foundation Deadline: Accepted Year Round

Provides post-secondary educational scholarships for children and spouses of military service men and women killed or disabled while serving our great nation.

Website: www.foldsofhonor.org/scholarships

Eagle Scouts:

The American Legion honors the Eagle Scout of the Year at the national convention with a \$10,000 scholarship. The three runners-up get \$2,500.

<http://www.legion.org/scholarships/eaglescout>

Students with Learning Disabilities:

RiSE Scholarship Foundation Deadline: Jan 31

The 2017 application and all supporting materials must be submitted online. This year RiSE is using the website Dropbox.com for our application submissions. Please read the submission details under the "Apply" icon.

Website: <http://risescholarshipfoundation.org/rise-award/apply-now/>

OK-AHEAD Scholarship Deadline: March 1

OK-AHEAD offers scholarship money to Oklahoma students with disabilities in post-secondary education.

Scholarships can be applied at any Oklahoma technology center, or any two-year or four-year college or university.

The award amount will be up to \$500 based on available OK-AHEAD funds.

Website: <http://ok-ahead.org/scholar.html>

5 Scholarships for Students With Learning Disabilities

Website: www.usnews.com/education/blogs/the-scholarship-coach/2012/10/25/5-scholarships-for-students-with-learning-disabilities

Nursing Scholarships: The American Legion also supports a Nursing scholarship. More information can be found at <http://www.8and40.org/programs/nurses-scholarship>

FFA Scholarships: Deadline: **Feb 1**

National FFA Scholarship Program

Students may receive one scholarship as a high school senior and one while in college for a maximum of two scholarships during their academic career. Students who have already received two scholarships through this program are not eligible to apply.

Website: <https://www.ffa.org/participate/scholarships>

Culinary Scholarships:

Are you planning to attend a culinary school? If so, check out these scholarships!

Website: www.usnews.com/education/blogs/the-scholarship-coach/2012/07/05/culinary-scholarships-serve-up-varied-career-opportunities

Native American Scholarships:

Here are some scholarship opportunities for Native American Students!

Website: <http://collegefund.org/student-resources/scholarships/>

Muscogee (Creek) Nation Scholarships can be found at www.creeknationfoundation.org

The Native American Scholarship Fund posts scholarship opportunities at <http://catchingthedream.org/> Checking them out! They also have some very helpful articles on their website including, "How to Find and Win Scholarships". The odds are 95% that you will win one of these scholarships if you apply!

Cherokee Students should visit <https://www.scholarships.cherokee.org/> for scholarship opportunities.

Engineering Scholarships: Deadline: March 15

The following links lead to engineering scholarship descriptions and applications found at the Society of Automotive Engineers website.

<http://students.sae.org/scholarships//bmw/>

<http://students.sae.org/awdscholar/scholarships/hancock/>

<http://students.sae.org/awdscholar/scholarships/mozley/>

<http://students.sae.org/scholarships/hendrickson/>

<http://students.sae.org/scholarships/young/>

<http://students.sae.org/scholarships/taubetapi/>

<http://students.sae.org/scholarships/dawson/>

Hispanic Student Scholarships: Deadline: March 30

Hispanic Scholarship Fund

HSF/General College Scholarships are designed to assist students of Hispanic heritage obtain a college degree. Awards are based on merit; amounts range from \$500 to \$5,000, based on relative need, among the Scholars selected.

Website: <https://www.hsf.net/scholarship>

The following websites are free and helpful sites. You can find many more scholarship applications. The more time you spend searching the more money you will get toward college. Good luck!

<http://ucango2.org>

<https://www.okcollegestart.org>

<https://www.bigfuture.collegeboard.org>

<http://www.scholarships4students.com>

<http://www.fastweb.com>

<http://www.scholarships.com>

<http://www.collegeboard.org>

<http://www.schoolsoup.com/scholarship-directory>

www.studentscholarships.org Like their page on FaceBook for updates on scholarships