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Announcements

Seniors



College Applications – Seniors are encouraged to submit applications as soon as possible. While a number of students have received acceptance letters already, some students have yet to submit their first completed application. Please come see your counselor if you have any questions or if you want to sit down and continue to discuss your options and plans for next year! We are here to help! ***NOW IS THE TIME! Some schools have set a December 1st or January 1st deadline for accepting applications for admission. Our recommended deadline is Thanksgiving!***

Acceptance Letters – If you receive any acceptance letters from colleges you applied to please let us know and bring in your acceptance letter and scholarship awards so we can make a copy and keep it in your file. This information will be used to study student data, alumni, to assist you in deciding between colleges and look into scholarships provided by accepted colleges and universities.

College Application and Scholarship Information

Do Your Research!

The best place to search for applications for admission and scholarship information is on the appropriate school website. However, there are some resources available in Guidance for Wisconsin schools. These guides provide admission office contact information and/or web sites for each specific school in the system, as well as information on financial aid and scholarships.

- **2016-2017 Introduction to the University of Wisconsin System**
 - Online resources: <http://uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/finding/intro1617.pdf>
 - Scholarships: <http://uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/paying/Scholarships.pdf>
<http://uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/paying/uwlist.aspx>
- **Wisconsin's Private Nonprofit Colleges & Universities' 2017 Guide to Admission and Financial Aid**
 - Online resources: <http://www.wisconsinprivatecolleges.org/>
- **Paying for College - Midwest Student Exchange Program**
- The **Midwest Student Exchange Program (MSEP)** is a tuition reduction program that makes attending out-of-state colleges and universities more affordable for non-resident students. By enrolling in a MSEP program at a participating institution, you will receive a reduced tuition rate—giving you a wider range of education options for your education dollars. Nearly one hundred colleges and universities in Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, and Wisconsin have opened their doors to each other's citizens by offering reduced tuition rates. Visit



Scholarship Tips:

- **Do your homework!**
Research scholarships. Many campuses link to online scholarship searches that you can use.
- Applying for a scholarship may require any or all of the following: application, official high school transcripts, ACT/SAT scores, essay, letters of recommendation, Free Application for Federal Student Aid (found at fafsa.gov), audition/portfolio, or something else. Note requirements and deadlines.
- Never pay someone to research scholarships for you, even if they 'guarantee' results." Visit the following links for more information about avoiding scholarship scams:
 - <http://www.consumer.ftc.gov/articles/0082-scholarship-and-financial-aid-scams>
 - <https://studentaid.ed.gov/types/scams#dont-pay-for-help>

<http://msep.mhec.org> to search for participating institutions and programs and to learn about campus enrollment requirements.

Scholarships

The Guidance Department has received information regarding the following scholarship opportunities. Please keep in mind that this is by no means a comprehensive listing of all scholarships available. The best place to search for school affiliated scholarships is on the appropriate school website. You can also visit <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search> (College Board), www.fastweb.com and www.scholarships.com to create a profile and be matched to scholarships based on your strengths, interests and skills.

Deadline	Scholarship
No Deadline	Assumption College – Br. Gerard Brassard Scholarship
Varies	The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin
Varies	Ithaca College
Nov 03, 2016	Mount Mary University – Caroline Scholars Program
Nov 04, 2016	2017 Kohl Excellence Scholarship Program
Nov 08, 2016	2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards Program
Nov 15, 2016	Washington University in St. Louis
Nov 18, 2016	Fireside Essay Scholarship
Nov 30, 2016	Elks National Foundation
Dec 15, 2016	University of Dayton – Leadership in Service Scholarship
Dec 18, 2016	NFIB 2017 Young Entrepreneur Award
Jan 04, 2017	University of Texas Dallas–Eugene McDermott Scholars Program
Jan 15, 2017	Foundation of Wisconsin Auto & Truck Dealers Technician Scholarships
Jan 18, 2017	Ronald McDonald House Charities Scholarship Program
Jan 31, 2017	Hammett, Bellin & Oswald Law Scholarship
Feb 01, 2017	Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 767 Scholarship
Feb 01, 2017	Society's Assets Scholarship Awards
Feb 22, 2017	University of St. Thomas – Dease Scholarship Program
Mar 01, 2017	Iowa State University

The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin – 2017 Americanism Programs & Scholarships

Did you know that *The American Legion, Department of Wisconsin* awards **over \$35,000** in scholarships annually? In addition, many scholarship recipients have the opportunity to compete at the National level where over \$100,000 in scholarships are additionally awarded!

The Department offers a number of scholarships to assist young people in their pursuit of higher education. There are opportunities for everyone, including relatives of wartime veterans and participants in Legion programs. If interested, pick up an information sheet in Guidance or visit the website at www.wilegion.org under "Programs". **Application deadlines vary.**

Assumption College – Br. Gerard Brassard Scholarship

Assumption offers students an automatic \$2,500 scholarship, awarded annually for all four years, for students from a Catholic High School accepted into Assumption College. Visit <https://www.assumption.edu/admissions/home> for more information about applying to Assumption College.



Contact Guidance for More Information

Be sure to contact your guidance counselor prior to applying for scholarships. They can provide valuable insight into what schools are looking for, how to complete applications, proofread your submission and more! Stop by Guidance or email your counselor for more details.

Elks National Foundation – 2017 Most Valuable Student Scholarships

The Elks National Foundation will award 500 four-year scholarships to the highest-rated applicants in the 2016 competition. Wisconsin is eligible to send on 16 of the applications accepted to Grand Lodge Judging. The Wisconsin Elks Association and the Wisconsin Benevolent Fund also provide for multiple 1- and 4-year awards of \$1,000 and \$4,000. Any high school senior who is a citizen of the United States is eligible to apply.

Applications are judged on scholarship (ACT/SAT and Transcript), leadership and financial need. Very specific directions are to be followed in completing the application packet. Be sure to read them carefully before beginning work on the application. Applications for the 2017 contest are available at <http://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/mvs.cfm> and must be submitted online by **November 30, 2016**.

Fireside Essay Scholarship

Fireside Catholic Publishing is pleased once again to recognize outstanding Catholic High School seniors who are daily “putting their faith into action”. Five winners will receive \$1,000 cash awards for writing a 750-word essay on how their religious education is influencing their lives. Each school may choose only one student’s application to nominate for the contest. If you are interested in submitting an essay, please check in Guidance for further details. We would need to have your application and a draft of your essay by **November 18, 2016** so that we could make a school selection by the deadline of December 12th.

Foundation of Wisconsin Auto and Truck Dealers Technician Scholarships

The Foundation of the Wisconsin Automobile & Truck Dealers is pleased to announce that scholarships will be available in 2017 for graduating high school seniors, adult students and continuing technical college students who are pursuing a career in the auto and truck industry. There are of four types of scholarships: Automotive, Diesel, Auto Collision and Motorcycle Technician. Visit <http://www.watda.org/Scholarship> to apply and for more information. Deadline is **January 15, 2017**.

Hammett, Bellin & Oswald, LLC (HBO) Law Scholarship

Hammett, Bellin & Oswald, LLC are pleased to offer the Hammett, Bellin & Oswald Law & Justice Scholarship. This scholarship is open to all first year freshman who will be attending an accredited College or University during the 2017-2018 school year. Special consideration will be given to a student who is interested in pursuing a career in law and meets the requirements. \$750 will be awarded to one student for use towards their school costs. Please visit <https://hbolawfirm.com/law-justice-scholarship/> for full requirements and application. Deadline is **January 31, 2017**.

Ithaca College

Martin Luther King Scholar Program is an interdisciplinary learning community emphasizing citizenship and service in our global community. The program is offered to academically exceptional students from traditionally underrepresented populations who demonstrated strong character and leadership through service and community involvement. Scholars receive a minimum of \$25,000 that is renewable annually for up to four years. In addition to meeting Ithaca College’s admission requirements and deadlines, interested students must complete a separate application. See <http://www.ithaca.edu/mlk> for information and application.

Park Scholar Program is a scholarship program that creates a dynamic learning community that develops future communications leaders who engage critically, act globally, and perform ethically. Through a mixture of academic and service programming, scholars are challenged to take action and give back to their



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Counselor

communities, and to use the power of mass communication to make a positive impact on the world. Park Scholar awards cover the entire cost of attendance at Ithaca College and include stipends for living expenses and books. To apply, students must complete separate application for admission to Ithaca College and to the Park Scholar program. See www.ithaca.edu/parkscholars for more information and application.

Iowa State University

Iowa State University offers special scholarship awards to Wisconsin residents who:

- Present a superior academic record including a challenging college preparatory curriculum, or
- Are children or grandchildren of Iowa State alumni

These awards are provided to all qualified students who are offered admission by **March 1, 2017**. Please visit

www.admissions.iastate.edu/scholarships/freshman.php?state_id=WI for more details.

2017 Kohl Excellence Scholarship Program

The purpose of the Herb Kohl Excellence Scholarship program is to recognize student leadership, citizenship, school and community involvement, and academic achievement. The goal is to encourage Wisconsin youth to pursue postsecondary education in a public or nonpublic university, college or vocational/technical college. \$3,000 scholarships are available to Wisconsin residents, graduating from a religious/independent high school, and intending to enroll in a postsecondary institution. This year, St. Catherine's is allowed to forward **TWO** applications on to the Office of Schools at the Archdiocese of Milwaukee.

Go to <http://www.kohleducation.org/students>. Find the information/application for "religious and independent schools." **Be sure to read application instructions carefully!** Applications **MUST** be typed! Turn your completed application, including letters of recommendation, into the Guidance Office no later than **Friday, November 4th**. We will forward **TWO** applications, along with official transcripts, to the central office of the Milwaukee Archdiocese. Information you will need to completed page 1 of the application:

- Number of Students in Grades 9-12: **367**
- CESA No.: **1**
- Diocese/Jurisdiction & Address: **Archdiocese of Milwaukee, 3501 S. Lake Drive, Milwaukee, WI 53207**
- Administrator's Name & Telephone: **Dr. Kathleen Cepelka 414-758-2256**

Mount Mary University – Caroline Scholars Program

The Caroline Scholars Program is a four-year scholarship program for first-year, full-time undergraduate students with a passion for social justice. This highly selective program provides challenging academic work, leadership development, service learning opportunities and financial assistance that covers full tuition, room and board. In order to be considered for the Caroline Scholars Program, you must: apply for admission and be accepted to Mount Mary by **November 3, 2016** AND submit all required Caroline Scholars application materials by 4:30 PM on **November 10, 2016**. Visit www.mtmary.edu/caroline for more information.

NFIB 2017 Young Entrepreneur Award

NFIB Young Entrepreneur Awards are open to any graduating high school senior entering their freshman year at an accredited (not for profit) two- or four-year university, college or vocational/technical institute. Applicants **MUST** be running their own small business in order to be considered for an award. Visit www.NFIB.com/YEA for more information and to apply online. Deadline is **December 18, 2016**.

2017 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards Program

The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program is the United States' largest youth recognition program based exclusively on volunteer community service. If you've made a difference by volunteering in your community over the past year, you could win \$1,000 and a fabulous trip to Washington, D.C., by applying for a Prudential Spirit of Community Award! Even more importantly, you could win recognition that might inspire other young people to follow your example. These prestigious awards, sponsored by Prudential Financial and the National Association of Secondary School Principals, have honored tens of thousands of middle level and high school students over the past 22 years solely for their volunteer work. **SCHS has the opportunity to select one student from our applicants and nominate them for state-level judging. Young volunteers in grades 5-12 are invited to complete applications!**

Ronald McDonald House Charities Scholarship Program

Ronald McDonald House Charities Multicultural Scholarship Program offers scholarship opportunities to any students from communities who face limited access to educational and career opportunities. RMHC Scholarship Program is comprised of four individual scholarship programs including:

- RMHC/ASIA
- RMHC/African American Future Achievers
- RMHC/HACER (Hispanic American Commitment to Educational Resources)
- RMHC Scholars

High school seniors who are legal US residents are eligible to apply. Recipients are selected on the basis of academic achievement, financial need and personal qualities and strengths as revealed in the application, a required personal statement, high school transcript, and a letter of recommendation. The application deadline is **January 18, 2017**. Applications may be obtained on the web site at <http://www.rmhc.org/rmhc-us-scholarships>.

Society's Assets Scholarship Awards

Applicants are vying for up to \$25,000 in awards to be used for the 2017-18 academic year, with the number of awards to be determined. Applicant must have a permanent and substantial (as opposed to a minor) physical or sensory disability. All required application materials must be postmarked by **February 1, 2017**. Criteria: Academic Record, Extracurricular Activities, Personal Essay, Recommendations (3). Applications can be found [online](#) or in Guidance.

University of Dayton – Leadership in Service Scholarship

SCHS has the opportunity to select and nominate **up to five** graduating seniors to be named a **Leadership in Service Scholarship** recipient. This scholarship is worth \$10,000 (\$2,500 per year for four years). The chosen student will not be selected on GPA and test scores only, but a student who has an innate desire for personal development and is committed to service within his or her school, church or community. If you are interested in and plan to apply to the University of Dayton, please let your counselor know ASAP. Nomination forms must be turned in by **December 15, 2016**.

University of St. Thomas – Dease Scholarship Program

The Dease Scholarship Program provides full-tuition scholarship opportunities to admitted students of color, first-generation students and/or graduates from urban high schools. The Dease Scholarship awarding process is very competitive. For more information and to apply, students should visit www.stthomas.edu/dease. In order to receive the scholarship, students must be admitted to St. Thomas. The Dease Scholarship application deadline is **February 22, 2017**.

University of Texas at Dallas – The Eugene McDermott Scholars Program

McDermott Scholars will be afforded an excellent university and cultural education at virtually no cost to the Scholar or the Scholar's family. The McDermott Scholars Program provides extensive financial support for each Scholar's education. The Program covers, year-round for four years, all of each Scholar's university tuition and fees. In addition, each McDermott Scholar receives a monthly stipend of at least \$1,400 to cover on-campus housing and other living expenses. Scholars also receive an annual book stipend of \$1,000. McDermott Scholars applicants [must apply to UT Dallas](#) before **January 4, 2017**. Please visit <http://www.utdallas.edu/mcdermott> to apply and for application qualifications and requirements.

Vietnam Veterans of America, Chapter 767 Scholarship

This \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to eligible Racine and/or Kenosha County High School Seniors. To be eligible, you must be a relative or descendant of an honorably discharged United States Military Vietnam Veteran. The basic requirement for this scholarship is to write an essay of three to five pages in length based on an interview you conduct with an honorably discharged Vietnam Veteran. Applications can be found in Guidance. Deadline is **February 1, 2017**.

Washington University St. Louis – William H. and Elizabeth Gray Danforth Scholars Program

Washington University is seeking candidates for the Danforth Scholars Program who have exhibited a capacity for service and leadership, as well as academic excellence, and who will embrace the challenges of a rigorous academic curriculum. If you are interested in applying for this scholarship, please see your counselor. Nomination deadline is **November 15, 2016**.

College Visits

The following schools are schedule to be at Saint Catherine's to visit with Juniors and Seniors. Check your emails for the meeting invitation and indicate whether you are planning on attending so that a pass will be issued to you:



Marian University

Mr. Grant Monroe
Assoc. Director of Admissions

Wednesday, November 2nd
11:51 AM



Carroll University

Mr. Derek Brown
Asst. Director of Admissions

Thursday, November 3rd
12:15 PM



UW-Milwaukee

Ms. Amanda Soika
Admissions Advisor

Tuesday, November 8th
12:15 PM



Cardinal Stritch University

Ms. Sarah Blake
Admissions Counselor

Thursday, November 10th
12:15 PM



Alverno College

Ms. Cynthia Eason
Admissions Counselor

Tuesday, November 15th
9:24 AM



UW-Parkside

Mr. Jon Gonzalez
Freshman Admissions Counselor

Thursday, November 17th
12:15 PM

If you cannot attend one of the sessions, but have a question for the Admission Counselor, forward your questions to [Ms. Feick](#) in Guidance.

College Open Houses & Visit Days

We have received information from the following schools regarding campus visit opportunities. Interested in visiting a school not listed? Please visit their admissions website for specific visit information.

- Wisconsin Private College and Universities:
http://www.wisconsinprivatecolleges.org/sites/default/files/public/downloads/cvos_2016-17.pdf
- UW System:
<http://uwhelp.wisconsin.edu/preparing/campustours.aspx>
- Minnesota's Private Colleges:
<http://www.mnprivatecolleges.org/visit-events>

Upcoming Events

College Goal Wisconsin

College Goal Wisconsin is a national event that provides free information and assistance to families who need to complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), the federally required form for students seeking financial aid, such as grants and loans. Completing the FAFSA is the first and most important step in qualifying for aid.

In Wisconsin, College Goal Wisconsin will take place on various Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings in November 2016 and January 2017 at locations throughout the state. Locations, dates and times are listed here: [College Goal Wisconsin 2016-17 Dates & Locations](#). Please visit www.collegegoalwi.org for more information.

SAIC Day 2016

This is an ideal event for students who are interested in attending SAIC (The School of the Art Institute of Chicago). SAIC Days are designed to provide information about our curriculum, scholarship opportunities, life on campus, and career development, as well as time for an in-depth review of your portfolio from one of our representatives. Registration is required for this event. [RSVP online](#).

Saturday, November 12, 2016

12:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Overture Center for the Arts

201 State Street, Madison

Job Opportunities

Part-time Nanny

An area parent is looking for a responsible senior or junior who drives that may be interested in a part time job as a nanny. Responsibilities would include picking up her daughter (Grade: 5K) from school, taking her home and caring for her until about 5:30 PM daily. Please let your counselor know if you are interested.

Enrichment Opportunities & Summer Programs

Duke University

2017 Information now available! Have the summer of your life while preparing for the sophisticated, vibrant and life-altering educational experience that is college!

If you are currently in grade 10 or 11, spend your summer at [The Duke Summer College for High School Students](#)! With a dynamic curriculum designed for your passions and talents, we set you up for Duke-caliber greatness in the setting of our gorgeous university campus. Make friends from all over the globe as you learn from the highly-trained, highly-intriguing faculty of Duke University and earn college credit.

Or you might choose to spend your summer at the [Duke Summer Academy for High School Students](#) for students currently in grades 9 - 12! This program for personal enrichment offers courses with a global perspective: The Global Entrepreneur, The Global Leader, The Global Communicator, The Global Healer and The Global Environmentalist.

Begin preparing, as the competitive application opens up December 1. Email summercollege@duke.edu or summeracademy@duke.edu with any questions. Additional information can be found at <http://summersession.duke.edu/high-school-students>.