

Scholarship & Award Information

Scholarships

Scholarships are a form of financial aid. They are a grant or funds that do not need to be repaid. They differ from other forms of financial aid in that they are based on some type of outstanding ability in one or more areas, such as academics, art, music, athletics, or community service. Scholarships are not necessarily based on financial need, as are all other forms of financial aid. Some, however, do have financial need as a factor.

Scholarships come in many forms and amounts. They can range from as little as \$100 to help pay for books, up to tens of thousands of dollars for all four years of college. Most academic scholarships come from one of five sources: 1. Federal government 2. State government 3. Individual colleges 4. Local businesses and organizations 5. National businesses and organizations. The vast majority of scholarships come from the colleges themselves. These may be campus-wide or for a specific major. Both Montana State University and the University of Montana have several excellent scholarships available for entering freshmen. Please check with the specific schools you are wanting to attend at www.montanacolleges.com.

Generally, the better your grades, the higher your test scores, and the more activities and community service you participate in, the better chance you have of winning a scholarship. However, many scholarships are based on financial need. Often times, there are some scholarships with very narrow restrictions and only a few students would qualify. If in doubt, check with Mrs. Bartmess or Mrs. Engleson. You have nothing to lose and everything to win when you apply for scholarships.

Scholarships, Criteria, and Deadlines

Be attentive to the scholarships as they are posted via the daily announcements, on the scholarship board in the guidance office, and on the district's website. It is impossible to put every scholarship that colleges, universities, and vocational schools offer out for seniors to apply. It is your responsibility to be searching out scholarships that fit your needs. The counseling office will pass along scholarships that arrive through the school.

Please check the criteria carefully. For example, if the scholarship requires you to attend a Montana school and you are going out-of-state, you will not qualify.

Scholarships have deadlines. Be sure to give yourself enough time to complete applications thoroughly. Do not wait until the last minute to get applications completed, references turned in, or transcripts sent. Many applications must be typed. It takes time and effort to put together a quality application.

Seniors are strongly encouraged to take the ACT or SAT before December of their senior year. Most colleges will accept results from either test, however it is the responsibility of the student to check with the college to find out which test is required.

When you apply for a scholarship from a college, you must also pay the application fee for admission. Do not expect to receive a scholarship if you have not been admitted to the school.

Applications for all Montana colleges are available in the guidance office. Most out-of-state colleges do not furnish Lincoln County High School with applications for admissions. Students must write, call, or email and request applications from the admissions office. The most efficient way is to apply online. Check the college's website for information.

Several representatives from colleges and vocational schools around Montana will be visiting our school during the year. Listen to the daily announcements for these scheduled visits.

Scholarship Hints

Use the following helpful hints as you begin the process of applying for scholarships. The students who are most successful at earning scholarships are students who follow these points:

1. Remember that applying for scholarships is the responsibility of the student.
2. Lincoln County High School is not notified of all scholarships available at a particular college, so students are encouraged to write to contact the college they hope to attend and ask for information on freshman scholarships.
3. Don't procrastinate! Get busy on this part of your college planning early and stay on top of it. Your success will depend on your perseverance, organization, and your ability to meet deadlines.
4. Be sure to give your teachers, counselor and personal references adequate time to write recommendations for you. Two weeks is a good rule of thumb. Give them a list of activities and awards that are noteworthy in the recommendation. When given sufficient time, teachers can write a meaningful letter that truly reflects each student's unique qualities.

MGSLP Scholarship Application Tips:

http://www.mgslp.state.mt.us/Content/Paying_For_College/Scholarships/Scholarship_Application_Tips

Use the links below to find local, state, and national scholarship and award information. Some applications may be completed online while others may be downloaded using Acrobat Reader. Many applications are available in the guidance office as well.

Those scholarships without completed deadline dates are pending. Dates will be added as information is confirmed.

Name	Description	Deadline
AmeriCorps Education Award	This is a program that engages students into AmeriCorps service. Students apply, become enrolled and then track volunteer hours monthly towards the 300 hour term of service. Also, each participant recruits one community volunteer to serve 8 hours with them. Upon successful completion, a participant is awarded a \$1,000 Education Award. The Education Award is a voucher addressed to the AmeriCorps Alumni and can be redeemed in any amount, up to the full amount, at all federally backed colleges and/or federally backed students loans nationwide, for up to seven years. Any US Citizen can earn 2 Ed Awards in their lifetime thru AmeriCorps service. For more information visit www.jmgf-mt.org	September 15, 2009

Wendy's High School Heisman	Eligibility: Senior; Participates in at least one sport; Leader in your school and community. Visit www.wendysheisman.com for more information and to apply online.	October 1, 2009
Horatio Alger National Scholarship Program	<p>The eligibility criteria to be considered for this \$20,000 National Scholarship are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • enrollment full time as a high school senior, progressing normally toward graduation in the Spring/Summer 2010, with plans to enter college no later than the fall following graduation; • a strong commitment to pursuing and completing a <u>bachelor's degree</u> at an accredited institution located in the United States (students may start their studies at a two-year institution and then transfer to a four-year institution. Idaho, Louisiana, and Montana state scholarship recipients must pursue and complete a degree at specific colleges and universities. Please see the individual program description for those requirements); • critical financial need (\$50,000 or less adjusted gross income per family is preferred, if higher explanation must be provided); • involvement in co-curricular and community activities; • demonstrated integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity • a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0; and • United States Citizenship. <p>Applications are on-line at www.horatioalger.org</p>	October 30, 2009
Coca-Cola Foundation Scholarship	The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation awards scholarships based on academic achievement, leadership, and hours of dedicated community service. Access the online application at www.coca-colascholars.org .	October 31, 2009
Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student Scholarship	Eligibility: High school senior and US Citizen & Judging Criteria: Scholarship, Leadership & Financial Need. More information in the guidance office or visit www.elks.org/enf/scholars . Applications must be delivered to the Elks Lodge in Libby. <i>(Local, State & National Scholarship Program)</i>	November 2, 2009
AXA Achievement Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are you active in your community? • Have you led a project that benefits others? • Have you overcome personal challenges? <p>You may qualify for this scholarship. Download an application for a \$10,000 to \$25,000 college scholarship at: www.axa-achievement.com</p>	December 15, 2009

U of MT Montana Resident Entering Student Scholarship	The University of Montana: New for Fall 2010 – The application for admission to the U of M will also be the student’s application for scholarships. All students who submit an application by December 31 st will automatically be considered for scholarships. http://admissions.umt.edu/resident.html	December 31, 2009
U of MT Presidential Leadership	Must have outstanding talent, academic performance, and contribution to the community; Award renewable for four years; 3.5 GPA and an ACT score of 27 or an SAT combined score of 1800 or higher. Scholarship amount varies. Application and information are available at http://admissions.umt.edu/resident.html .	December 31, 2009
U of MT Davidson Honors College Presidential Leadership Scholarship	The University of Montana: Application and information are available at http://www.umt.edu/dhc .	December 31, 2009
Bright Prism Rays Minerals Scholarships	Montana Tech will award 21 scholarships to students with exceptional talents, financial need and interest in the areas of metallurgical engineering, geological engineering and mining engineering. These are four year scholarships at \$6,600/year. Must have Math ACT of 26 or higher or Math SAT of 600 or higher, be in the top 20% of graduating class and a GPA > 3.25. Apply online at www.mtech.edu/onestop/NewTranSchol.html	January 1, 2010
United States JCI Senate Foundation Scholarship Program	Each year \$1000 grants will be awarded to graduating high school seniors in the United States, who plan to continue their education at accredited post- secondary colleges, universities or vocational schools. Applications are available in the guidance office.	January 2, 2010
Montana Jaycee Foundation Scholarship	Each year \$1,000 grants will be awarded to graduating high school seniors who plan to continue their education at accredited post-secondary colleges, universities or vocational schools. Applications are available in the guidance office.	January
McKelvey Foundation Scholarship	\$40,000 Scholarships for Young Entrepreneurs. Visit www.mckelveyfoundation.org for application information.	January
MSU Resident Freshman University Scholarships	Montana State University: Information may be found at http://www.montana.edu/admissions/premierscholarships.pdf .	Apply as soon as possible
MSU Presidential Scholarship	Montana State University: Up to 20 will be awarded for Fall of 2009; Need at least a 3.75 GPA, 30 on ACT or 2000 SAT. Find more information at http://www.montana.edu/	January 5, 2010

MSU Scholarships	Non-Resident Freshman Achievement Awards; College & Dept. New Student Scholarships; Audition or Portfolio Review Scholarships; Native American Scholarships; MT Indian Fee Waiver For more information contact MSU Admissions at admissions@montana.edu .	
Carroll College Scholarships	Merit scholarships range from \$4,000 to \$11,000 for new freshmen. Also available are renewable \$1,000 to \$3,000 Diversity Scholarships. For more information be sure to check out the Carroll College website at www.carroll.edu/finaid/prostudents/carroll.cc	
MSU Billings Chancellor's Excellence Award	This is MSU Billings' most prestigious scholarship, recognizing academic achievement as well as leadership qualities. The online application can be downloaded at www.msubillings.edu/finaid/forms/Chancellors%20Excellence%20App.pdf .	January 15, 2010
Plum Creek Community Scholarship Program	Eligibility: Seniors or graduates, age 22 and under, who plan to enroll, for the first time, in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited two-year or four-year college, university or vo-tech. Children of Plum Creek employees are not eligible. Applications are only available at: www.sms.scholarshipamerica.org/plumcreek	January 25, 2010
MECA Memorial Scholarship	Two \$500 scholarships offered to students planning to attend college or vo-tech training. Applicants or their parents or guardians must be served by Lincoln Electric Co-op to be eligible.	January 29, 2010
Walmart Foundation Scholarships Sam Walton Community Scholarship	College scholarship applications are available at: www.Walmartfoundation.org	January 29, 2010
MSU Billings General Scholarships	Incoming freshman may apply for general scholarships by completing and submitting the Application for Admission. This application is online at: www.msubillings.edu/finaid/forms/scholarshipapp2008pdf..	February
U of MT Western Chancellor's Leadership Scholars Award	To qualify for this scholarship, students must have at least a 3.6 GPA, 26 ACT, separate application, resume, 2 letters of recommendation, transcripts, and a 500 word essay describing their most memorable academic achievement. Applications will be available in the guidance office.	February 1, 2010
ESA Foundation Scholarships	Applicants must be one of the following: A senior in high school with a minimum 3.0 GPA or a minimum score of ACT 22/SAT (verbal/critical reading and math) 1030. Criteria for selection: Character/Leadership/Service/Financial Need/Scholastic Ability/Special Criteria-set by donor. Applications will be available in the guidance office.	February 1, 2010
KFC Colonel's Scholarship	High school seniors with entrepreneurial drive, strong perseverance, demonstrate financial need, and who want to pursue a college education at an accredited public institution in the state they	February 10, 2010

	reside. Apply online at www.kfcscholars.org between December 1, 2009 and February 10, 2010.	
MUS Honor Scholarship	Applications are available in the guidance office. Scroll down this page to see more information on the Montana University System Honor Scholarship.	February 15, 2010
Best Buy @ 15 Scholarship Program	1,000 scholarships of \$1500 each will be awarded to students in grades 9-12. Students need solid grades; be involved in volunteer community service or work experience. Visit the Best Buy website to apply on-line at www.bestbuy.com/scholarship or www.at15.com in January 2010.	February 15, 2010
The National Co-op Scholarship Program	Award amount is \$6,000 and can be renewable. Must have a GPA of at least 3.5; Apply and be accepted at one of the NCCE Partner Colleges or Universities. The NCCE encourages minority and female students, as well as students interested in science, math, engineering, and technology. Please visit www.co-op.edu .	February 15, 2010
AXA Achievement Community Scholarship	Online applications available at www.axa-achievement.com	February 15, 2010
Montana Association of Conservation Districts Scholarship	Eligibility: US citizenship, Montana residency, minimum GPA of 3.0, and enrollment or plans to enroll in a course of study that allows students to explore natural resource issues. Appropriate course study include agriculture, agribusiness, animal science, range science, forestry, environmental sciences, land resources sciences, plant science, etc. Applications will be available in the guidance office.	February 15, 2010
Oh, the Places You Will Go! Scholarship	Applicant must be a 12 th grade high school student graduating spring 2010, age 21 or under. Essay required, applications are available in the guidance office.	February 15, 2010
MSU School of Art Scholarship Competition	Three \$3000 scholarships awarded based on portfolio requirements. Requirements include: portfolio review of a CD of work, GPA of 3.0 or higher, and a short essay. Applications available in the guidance office.	February
MSU Distinction Scholarship	\$500-\$1000 scholarships available to students who have not already received an MSU University Scholarship. To be eligible you must: 1) Apply for admission and 2) Submit your MSU Distinction Scholarship Application as soon as possible. Applications are available the guidance office.	As soon as possible
Society of Petroleum Engineers Scholarship	Eligibility: Study in the Oil and Gas Industry. Application information is available in the guidance office or online at www.spe.org/go/star	March 1, 2010
Foundation for Rural Service Scholarship	The Foundation for Rural Services (FRS) in partnership with National Telecommunications Cooperative Association is offering 30 national scholarships (\$2000 each). InterBel Telephone	March 1, 2010

	Co-Op will make a \$500 matching contribution if a student from our area is selected. Applications are available in the guidance office or can be downloaded from the FRS web site at www.frs.org . Completed applications should be sent directly to FRS.	
Governor's Best and Brightest Scholarship <i>Merit-At-Large</i>	Scroll down this page to see more information below regarding the Merit Scholarship, Merit-At-Large Scholarship & Need-Based Scholarship for Montana students. Applications for the Merit Scholarship are available in the guidance office. Applications for the Merit-At-Large Scholarship are available on-line at www.scholarship.mt.gov . The Need-Based Scholarship will be selected by the Financial Aid Office of the eligible Montana Colleges.	March 1, 2010
Robert C. Bryd Honors Scholarship	A merit-based college scholarship that awards \$1500 annually to outstanding Montana high school seniors, graduates of GED programs and home school high school seniors. Each scholarship may be renewed three times during undergraduate study. Must have a 3.60 or higher GPA in a college preparatory curriculum and have a cumulative score of 2160 on the SAT, or 30 on the ACT. Applications are available in the guidance office.	March 5, 2010
Scholar Athlete Milk Mustache of the Year "SAMMY"	A \$7,500 college scholarship from the Milk Processor Education Program for HS Seniors. The SAMMY Awards reward student athletes who demonstrate excellence in academics, athletics, community service, leadership and include milk as part of their healthy lifestyles. Applications and office rules are available online at www.sammy.bodybymilk.com	March 5, 2010
Lincoln Electric Cooperative "Luck of the Draw" Scholarship	LEC will be awarding 6 - \$1000 scholarships. Applicant must be a member, or the dependent of a member who currently receives electric service from LEC. Applicant, or in the case of a member dependent, the dependent's parent or legal guardian must attend the Co-Op's annual meeting. Applications are available in the guidance office or online at http://www.lincolnelectric.coop/scholarships.htm	March 12, 2010
Flathead Valley Community College Scholarship	School specific application - available in the guidance office.	March 15, 2010
Imagine America	3- \$1000 scholarships. Eligibility and application information is available at the link. You must also ask the guidance counselor to register your school and you with Imagine America. Students must be enrolling in any one of the 500 career schools participating in the program.	HERE
Montana Community Foundation Scholarships	Over 150 scholarships available exclusively to Montana students. For scholarship criteria and to submit applications go to: http://www.mtcf.org/applications.html	March 15, 2010
Community Colleges	Entering high school students must plan on enrolling at CCS and have a 2.0 GPA or higher.	March 15, 2010

of Spokane Foundation Scholarships	Application and more information is available online at http://www.ccs.spokane.edu/Foundation/Scholarships.aspx	
InterBel Telephone Cooperative Scholarship	Eligibility: must be a senior at LCHS who will graduate and continue their education beyond high school level at a college, university or vocational institution. Must use scholarship the fall after graduation. Recipients parents or guardian must be current members, or were members of InterBel Telephone Co-Op for two (2) of the last five (5) years. Applications available in the guidance office.	March 26, 2010
United Way Community Service Award	This is a \$500 award to be granted to a graduating high school student who has demonstrated outstanding service to their community. Applications will be available in the guidance office.	March 31, 2010
Montana Sheriffs and Peace Officers Association Scholarship	The Montana Sheriff's and Peace Officer Association announces the availability of two \$750 scholarships to be awarded for the fall semester of 2009 to a graduating high school senior who is seeking a career in local law enforcement. Recipients will be selected based on need and academic ability as well as career goals. Application information is available in Mrs. Morgan's office.	March 31, 2010
U.S. Bank Internet Scholarship Program	\$1000 scholarships to students who sign up on their website at www.usbank.com/studentloans are being offered. Scholarships are picked at random with no minimum GPA.	March
Donald & Yvonne Leonard Merit Scholarship	\$2500 award for high scholastic achievement – must have a 3.0 GPA or better and be a graduating senior from Lincoln County High School. Applications will be available in the guidance office.	March 31, 2010
Nordmeier/Tafoya Scholarship	Eligibility: Must have a permanent disability, be attending a Montana College or Technical School in 2010-2011, and enrolled for at least 9 semester credits. Financial need will also be considered. More information and applications are available in the guidance office.	April 1, 2010
Governor's Best and Brightest Merit Scholarship	Scroll down this page to see more information below regarding the Merit Scholarship for Montana students. Applications for the Merit Scholarship are available in the guidance office.	April 1, 2010
Mary Baker Emerick Art Scholarship	This scholarship is available to all art majors at the University of Montana Western. Information is available in the guidance office. April 1 st priority deadline.	April 1, 2010
Montana PTA Scholarships	The Montana PTA Scholarship Program offers financial assistance to students entering or currently attending a Montana college or university in a child-related field of study. Annually,	April 1, 2010

	two \$1,000 scholarships are awarded: one to a graduating high school senior, one to a current college student. Submission information and application forms are available on the Montana PTA website at www.montanapta.org Click on the SCHOLARSHIP tab.	
Grace Ritzman Scholarship	Scholarship offered for high school seniors planning to attend any college, university, or Vo-Tech school. Must have a 2.0 or better GPA. Applications available in the guidance office.	April 6, 2010
Odd Fellow & Rebekah Lodges of Montana Scholarship	Requirements: Students with a GPA of 3.0 or less ; Planning to attend a college, university, Vo-Tech, Business, Nursing, Beauty School, etc. in Montana . Applications are available in the guidance office.	April 7, 2010
Horatio Alger Montana Undergraduate Scholarship Program	\$50-\$10,000 Scholarships will be awarded to seniors planning to attend the University of Montana or one of its campuses, which include: Montana Tech, UM Western, Helena COT and Missoula COT. The application can be completed on-line at: www.horatioalger.com/scholarships/program_montana.cfm .	April 15, 2010
Youth Serve Montana Scholarship	The Governor's Office of Community Service will be awarding \$140,000 in Youth Serve Montana Scholarships to Montana high school seniors. Seniors who have performed 100 hours of volunteer service in their community qualify to be nominated for a \$1000 scholarship toward a Montana college or university. Each high school can nominate two seniors. Contact the guidance office or Mr. Graves for more information and applications.	April 15, 2010
Scholarship in memory of Maxine Vredenburg	A \$1000 scholarship will be awarded in memory of Maxine Vredenburg. This scholarship will be given to a deserving senior who is interested or involved in music, after completing their first year of college. Fill out the Local Application, excluding the financial need section and return to LCHS guidance office.	April 15, 2010
2010 Black Mountain Software Scholarship	The Black Mountain Software Scholarship in the amount of \$500 is available to all interested 2010 graduating Montana high school seniors who will be attending an accredited institution of higher education after graduation. Applications are available the guidance office or can be downloaded at www.blackmountainsoftware.com/scholarship.htm .	April 15, 2010
Montana Food and Nutrition Scholarship	The Montana School Nutrition Association is awarding a \$500 scholarship to a deserving high school senior who is pursuing a career in food service, culinary arts, food science, nutrition education, nutrition or dietetics. Must have a GPA of 2.0 or higher. Applications are available online at www.opi.mt.gov/Pdf/schoolfood/grants/10MTSNA_ScholarshipApp.pdf – (look under the heading of Scholarships) or in the guidance office.	April 15, 2010
Stoken Logging Scholarship	1 to 2 scholarships awarded to graduating seniors. Use Local Scholarship application to apply.	April
Rose Osler Scholarship	This scholarship is available to students who have completed their elementary education in the	April 15,

	Fortine School and will be graduating with a high school diploma. Applications available in the guidance office.	2010
Montana School Nutrition Association <i>Food Service & Nutrition Scholarship</i>	The MSNA is offering a \$500 scholarship to students interested in pursuing a career in food service, culinary arts, food science, nutrition education, nutrition or dietetics. Criteria to apply includes: Graduating senior; Min. 2.0 GPA; Essay. Visit OPI's website and look under the scholarship heading at www.opi.mt.gov .	April 15, 2010
North Valley Hospital Foundation Scholarship	\$1000 will be awarded to a LCHS graduating senior. Must hold a 2.0 GPA or better and demonstrate an interest in a health care career.	April
2011 AmeriCorps Youth Scholarship	\$1,000 Scholarship for seniors attending a Montana high school who are planning on attending any Montana post secondary institution who have volunteered 100 hours of service in their community within a 12 month period - certified by their Principal or County Superintendent. Formerly known as the Governor's Community Service Scholarship. Applications are available in the guidance office or at www.mt.gov/mcsn/grantsawards/govAwardComServ.asp . One scholarship will be awarded to one student at LCHS.	April
Eureka Masonic Lodge Scholarship	One - \$1000 scholarship will be awarded to a student furthering their education in Montana. Apply by using the Local Scholarship application, along with a written essay. More information is available in the guidance office.	April 30, 2010
Full Circle Scholarships	The Full Circle Foundation is pleased to offer Scholarship Support to students from rural cities with populations less than 3,000 people who will be the first in their family to attend college. This is a competitive scholarship open to any student who meets the requirements listed above and has a minimum GPA of 2.5. This scholarship provides financial assistance to eligible students. Funds may be used to provide tuition assistance and pay school fees. The selection committee will also consider certain living expenses on an individual basis. For further information or to apply go to http://www.fullcircle-foundation.org/scholarship_program.php .	April
Steve Evins Wrestling Scholarship	Eligibility: Must have participated in wrestling for at least one year. Applications available in the guidance office.	April 30, 2010
Ryan Wagner Memorial Scholarship	Any student pursuing a career in science (including teaching), natural resources, technology, or automotive fields may apply for one of the two \$500 scholarships being offered this year. Applications are available in the guidance office.	April 30, 2010
Art Weydemeyer Student Scholarship	A \$300 scholarship is being offered for a student interested in a career in the outdoors. Volunteer or paid outdoor work is a plus on application. Minimum 2.5 GPA. North Lincoln	April 30, 2010

	County residency required. To apply use the Local Scholarship application available in the guidance office.	
Big Sky Exxon Scholarship	Eligibility: Must be working or have worked at Big Sky Exxon or have a parent who is employed at the business. Apply by filling out the Local Scholarship application – available in the guidance office.	April
Montana Coroners' Association Scholarship	A \$500 scholarship will be awarded for the fall semester of the year 2010 to a graduation high school senior majoring in a Criminal Justice or Health Science field. Recipients will be selected on the basis of need and academic ability, as well as career goals. Eligibility requirements: high school graduate or GED completion, GPA of 2.5 or higher, enrollment as a full time student in a Montana based college or university that offers a minimum AA degree in a Criminal Justice or Health Science field. More information is available in the guidance office.	May 1, 2010
Doc Smiley Scholarship	This lucrative scholarship is offered to a graduating senior from LCHS in honor of Doc Smiley. The student must be admitted to a four-year program, which leads to a BA, BS, or the like degree. A student enrolled in a 2-year program is eligible if they transfer to a college or university to complete a 4-year Bachelor's degree. Must be a full time student in the regular high school, have admission to an established and recognized college or university, have maintained a "C" average over his/her high school career, and demonstrates outstanding character, desire to achieve, good citizenship, and public awareness. Applications are available in the guidance office.	May
Music Booster Scholarship	This scholarship is open to seniors who have participated in high school music courses(Band, Choir, Select Choir, Music Fundamentals, Guitar) and intend to take college credits in music performance. Applications are available in the guidance office.	May
Eureka Teachers' Scholarship	The Eureka Teachers are offering scholarships for students working toward an education degree, a non-education degree, and a certificate or associates degree. Applications are available in the guidance office.	May
MT Taxidermists Association	For students interested in preserving wildlife. Call Dale Manning, President of the MTA at (406)543-5501 for questions.	May
Owens and Hurst Scholarship	This scholarship is being offered to students whose parents were employed at the mill at the time of shut down. Apply using the Local Scholarship application. More information available in the guidance office.	May
Tobacco Valley Lineman Scholarship	Graduating seniors attending Lineman's School will be considered for this scholarship. Apply using the Local Scholarship application. Scholarship payment is made to student upon completion of the program.	May

Don K Chevrolet Scholarship	Eligibility: Students must plan to attend a Vo-Tech Institution. Applications available in the guidance office.	May
Eureka Rural Fire Department Scholarship	Scholarship offered for high school seniors who live in the Eureka Fire District. To apply use the Local Scholarship application, which is available in the guidance office.	May
First Interstate Bank Scholarship	Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded. You must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher and have plans to attend a College, University, Vo-Tech, Business, Nursing, Beauty School, etc in Montana. Applications for this scholarship are available in the guidance office.	May
Roodell Run Scholarship	Eligibility: Must be a current high school senior at LCHS, have participated in the LCHS Cross Country team for at least one year, have a minimum high school GPA of 2.5.	May
Character Counts! Scholarship	For Juniors: Any high school juniors that have participated at the Big Sky State Games and demonstrate the following characteristics in your life: 1) Trustworthiness 2) Respect 3) Caring 4) Responsibility 5) Fairness 6) Citizenship. Applications are available in the guidance office or can be downloaded at www.bigskygames.org .	May
Montana State Elks Association Music Scholarship	Scholarship information and application can be downloaded from www.elksmt.com or applications are available in the guidance office.	May
Colleen Stacy Scholarship	The Colleen Stacy Scholarship Fund was established by family and friends that wish to remember her and to help a student that has shown a similar philosophy during their high school career. Applications are available in the guidance office.	May
KOOCANUSA R.I.D.E.S Car Club Industrial Arts Scholarship	Qualifications: Be a senior at LCHS who will graduate from high school and continue his or her education beyond the high school level, whether at a college, university or vocational institution. Or be enrolled in an accredited home school program or have received a GED. Must have a minimum GPA of 2.5. The scholarship must be used the Fall following graduation. Applications are available in the guidance office.	May
Kathleen Clowers Memorial Scholarship	Applicants must be graduates from 8 th grade at Trego School. Applications are available in the guidance office.	May
Glacier Bank Scholarship	Glacier Bank is offering three \$500 scholarships for student or parent patrons. Apply using the Local Scholarship application.	May
Avanti Fund Music Education Scholarship	Scholarships are open to all graduating seniors and undergraduate college students pursuing a degree in music education at an accredited college or university. Applications are available at www.avantiflutes.net/scholarship/	May

U.S. Forest Service North End Employees Scholarship Award	Who may apply: Students who are planning to attend a two or four-year post secondary school or two-year vocational school and meet one of the following criteria. Your major field of study is in Engineering, Business, Computers, or Resources (Forestry, Biology, Ecology, Hydrology, Timber, etc.). If your parent or legal guardian is a Forest Service Employee. You have been an employee of the U.S. Forest Service yourself (YCC, seasonally, etc) in Eureka or Fortine.	May
Lincoln County Homemakers Scholarship	A \$100 scholarship is offered to the FVCC College Bookstore to a senior girl from Lincoln County High School in Eureka, MT and Libby High School in Libby, MT.	May
National Honor Society Scholarship	Must be a member of the National Honor Society.	May
Universal Athletic Services, Inc. Scholarship	\$500 Scholarship to be awarded to one male and one female student/athlete graduating from a Montana high school. Must be used at a Montana college or university. Applications are available in the guidance office.	June
Montana Council of Higher Degrees Scholarship	The Loyal Order of Moose and the Women of the Moose are offering a \$500 scholarship to a student attending a Montana high school. The student must show financial need and have a GPA of 2.0 to 3.3. Applications are available in the guidance office.	September
\$1,000 Scholarship Drawing Sponsored by Sallie Mae's CollegeAnswer.com	Applicants may be high school, undergraduate or graduate students and must register on the College Answer website. Each month one registered user is selected in a random drawing to receive the \$1000 scholarship. Go to http://www.collegeanswer.com/ to register.	None
Alert Magazine Essay Competition	Must be a senior planning to attend college and have a 2.5 GPA. Submit an essay (600-1000 words) about a personal encounter you or someone you know has had with drug and/or alcohol abuse, how it was dealt with, and, in your opinion, what was right or wrong about the way the incident or problem was handled. Award is \$500. Go to www.alertmagazine.org/ScholarshipRequirements.htm for more information.	None
American Legion Scholarships	The American Legion has provided a 152 page book titled Need A Lift containing extensive information on scholarships for veteran's dependents. Find it on the web at www.needalift.org .	Varies
Free College Tuition Drawing	To enter this random drawing for up to \$10,000, go to Next Step Magazine http://nextstepmag.com/winfreetuition	Varies
The Lowe's Scholarship	Eligibility Requirements and Additional Information: This scholarship requires a minimum GPA of 3.25 in order to be considered. Winners are selected based on academic performance, leadership, community involvement and/or work experience. Awards may be used at any	

	accredited 2-year or 4-year college, university or technical school within the United States and may be applied toward the cost of tuition, books, fees and required class supplies. Awards are not renewable. Apply at http://www.lowes.com/lowes/lkn?action=pg&p=Scholarship/lowesfoundation_120606.html and use the following Access Key: Lowe's Scholarship- LOWES	
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Montana University System Honor Scholarship

The Montana University System (MUS) Honor Scholarship, formerly the High School Honor Scholarship, is a four-year renewable scholarship that waives the tuition and registration fee at the eligible Montana College you decide to attend.

To apply for this scholarship you must have:

- a cumulative 3.4 GPA at the end of the seventh semester in high school
- met the college preparatory requirements
- been ranked in the top 25% of the graduating class
- been enrolled at an accredited Montana high school for three of the four years of high school

Applying for the MUS Honor Scholarship is a multi-step process. You need to:

- take the ACT or SAT test by December 12, 2009
- apply for admission and be accepted by one of the eligible colleges in Montana by February 15, 2010
- complete an MUS Honor Scholarship application available from Mrs. Bartmess
- attach to your MUS application a copy of your acceptance letter from the eligible college where you applied
- submit the completed packet to Mrs. Bartmess by February 15, 2010

Recipients will be selected based on their class ranking and their ACT/SAT scores.

Applications are available in Mrs. Bartmess' office.

To view the MUS Honor Scholarship tutorial, visit the following site:

<http://www.mgslp.org/podcasts/MUSHonor/MUSHonorScholarship.html>

Governor's Best and Brightest Scholarships

The purpose of the Governor's Postsecondary "Best and Brightest" Scholarship is to provide Montana residents with greater access to Montana's postsecondary institutions and Montana's tribal colleges, through scholarship grants based on academic achievement and financial need. The goal of these scholarships is to relieve student debt burdens, allowing more Montanans to stay in the state upon graduation.

To watch a video presentation about the Governor's Scholarship, [click here](#). (**Broadband or DSL internet connection highly recommended**) To view a brief instructional video on the application process, [click here](#).

The Governor's Best and Brightest Scholarship Program is divided into 3 areas: [merit scholarships](#), [at-large scholarships](#) and [need-based scholarships](#). Each scholarship is administered in a different way.

Eligibility Requirements

A student is eligible to receive a scholarship providing the student:

- Is a resident of the State of Montana;
- Has been accepted by or is enrolled at an eligible Montana postsecondary institution;
- For scholarships based on financial need, has completed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), and does not have an expected family contribution (EFC) exceeding the cost of attendance at the postsecondary institution the student will attend.
- For scholarships based upon merit, has obtained a high school GPA of at least 3.0 or a score of at least 20 on the ACT or 1440 on the SAT college admission test; and be enrolled full-time at an eligible postsecondary institution;
- Has not been awarded a Montana University System Honor Scholarship.
- If a male, has met the Title IV selective service requirements.
- Is not in default on a Title IV or state of Montana education loan.
- Does not owe a refund to a federal Title IV or state of Montana student financial aid program.
- Is not incarcerated.
- Seeking a first certificate, associate, or baccalaureate degree.
- Enrolled for the next chronological semester or term.

Merit Scholarship

Merit scholarship can be awarded to students who plan to attend either a 2 or 4 year institution. A student attending a 4 year campus will receive \$1,000/semester (\$2,000/year) for 8 semesters. Students who attend a 2 year campus will receive \$1,000/semester (\$2,000/year) for 4 semesters*.

*If a student receiving a merit scholarship transfers to a 4 year school before completing their first certificate or associate degree, they may petition MGSLP to extend their scholarship to the full 8 semesters.

Students must demonstrate academic excellence, by having either a 3.0 GPA, or scoring at least 20 on the ACT or 1440 on the SAT.

Recipients are chosen by their designated high school official, utilizing the same methodology as the [Montana University System Honor Scholarship](#)

Merit At-Large Scholarship

Students must apply online for the merit-at-large scholarship and submit a completed application to MGSLP no later than March 1, 2010. Late and incomplete applications will not be accepted. **Applications can be accessed on-line beginning January 2, 2010 at www.scholarship.mt.gov.**

Non-traditional and home school students are encouraged to apply.

The merit-at-large scholarship can be awarded to students who plan to attend either a 2 or 4 year institution. A student attending a 4 year campus will receive \$1,000/semester (\$2,000/year) for 8 semesters. Students who attend a 2 year campus will receive \$1,000/semester (\$2,000/year) for 4 semesters*.

*If a student receiving a merit-at-large scholarship transfers to a 4 year school, they may petition MGSLP to extend their scholarship to the full 8 semesters.

Merit-at-large scholarships will be scored by MGSLP and once enrollment has been verified, recipient information will be forwarded to the postsecondary institution.

Need-Based Scholarship

Colleges will be allocated need-based awards each year by MGSLP based upon the most recent full time equivalent enrollment (FTE) information provided by financial aid offices to MGSLP for students enrolled in a 2-yr certificate or associate programs. MGSLP will then advise each college of the specific number of general, health science, technology, and trade scholarships it must award. Each institution will receive a minimum of 5 need-based scholarships, regardless of the actual FTE calculation and the financial aid office will be responsible for identifying and awarding scholarships to need-based recipients. Need-based scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded annually for a maximum of 2 consecutive years. Financial need is the only criteria the scholarship will be based on.

Renewing the Scholarship

To renew the scholarship, students must:

- Maintain Satisfactory Academic Progress
- Continue Full Time Enrollment (Merit, Merit-at-Large)
- Continue to have Financial Need (Need Based)

Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE)

WUE is the Western Undergraduate Exchange, a program coordinated by the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education. Through WUE, students in most western states may enroll in many two-year and four-year college programs at a reduced tuition level: 150 percent of the institution's regular resident tuition. In all cases, WUE tuition is considerably less than nonresident tuition. Students residing in the following states may be eligible to participate:

Alaska	Colorado	Hawaii	Idaho		
Montana	Nevada	New Mexico			
North Dakota	Oregon	South Dakota	Utah	Washington	Wyoming

For more information go to: <http://wue.wiche.edu/>

More Information:

Scholarship Scams

There are many companies which offer scholarship searches and financial aid advice. Some may charge fees for services that are often available free through other companies. Be wary of the companies that advertise "free money" for college, guarantee a scholarship, or say that the information they have is not available elsewhere. You may check with Mrs. Bartmess before paying any company for services related to scholarships or financial aid if you would like advice.

Download a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at <http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/> or call 1-800-4-FED-AID. Submit online or mail in the form as soon as possible AFTER January 1, 2010. Keep a copy. Parents save your year-end payroll stubs to show your earnings for the year. You might need them for financial aid eligibility reviews by schools.

The MUS Honor Scholarship is awarded on a statewide basis instead of a certain number of scholarships based on senior class enrollment. This means our students will be competing with students from the entire state and our school will not be guaranteed a scholarship. Scholarships will be awarded based upon a composite score including GPA and the ACT or SAT score (the higher of the two if both are taken). Only students who apply and submit a complete application packet to Mrs. Bartmess by February 15th will be considered for this scholarship. The application packet must contain a complete, signed MUSHS application, an acceptance letter from one of the eligible campuses, and verified results of the ACT or SAT. Seniors who will be considered:

have a GPA of at least a 3.4, graduate from a state accredited Montana high school, enrolled full time and in attendance for at least 3 years prior to graduation in a state accredited Montana high school (senior year and any other two high school years), have taken the ACT by 12/13/08 and the SAT by 12/06/08, is on track to complete the MUS rigorous core requirements by high school graduation.

The Montana Guaranteed Student Loan Program (MGSLP) eligibility and information about the Honor Scholarship is at it's website <http://www.mgslp.org/>.

The Student Assistance Foundation and the Montana Department of Labor and Industry partnered to offer at no cost the **Montana Career Information System (MCIS)**. This powerful tool is the premier source of career related information. Use it to learn more about occupational interests, education options, and programs of study, scholarships and financial aid. Go to <http://www.smartaboutcollege.org/> and under the red heading Get to College you will find a link to MCIS. Click on that

link and register to use the MCIS. If you use nothing else, this tool will give you some incredible information.

Information provided by the U of M concerning scholarships:

The first thing that will happen is the application will be eliminated if it is past deadline, has stains or wrinkles, is not completely filled out, or is not legible. If asked for a one page essay keep it to one page, not more or less. Apply for financial aide, even if you think you are not eligible. State the reason you believe you should be considered. The essay is key. Spend time on it and edit. Originality is advised. They look at extra-curricular activities. They can be academic, work related or volunteer.

The four major items considered are GPA, test scores, essay, and honors/activities (extra-curricular). They use a point system to score these items.

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