

JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP BULLETIN – NOVEMBER 2013

DIRECTIONS: If a website is provided for the application, please use this method to apply. Otherwise please see Mrs. Altamore, counseling secretary, or any counselor to receive a paper application for the scholarship, or to view other scholarship opportunities in paper form.

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

*Please visit the following two websites for **LOCAL (Winnebago and surrounding areas) scholarships:**

cfnil.org - Most scholarship applications are due by February 1 or March 1, 2014, and are available 11/20/2014

www.rockfordpubliclibrary.org - click "Young Adult Zone" or "YAZ" homepage, then click "Scholarships".

General Scholarship Opportunities:

These opportunities vary in eligibility criteria, but are typically applicable to any college or university unless otherwise specified. It is not a complete listing of all scholarships that are available. You should always research more opportunities on your own and through the colleges to whom you are applying.

- **ABUSE MAGAZINE SCHOLARSHIP**- This \$500 scholarship will be awarded with each issue published in Illinois to a graduating senior with a GPA of 2.5 or better and plans to attend college after graduation. Applicants must write an essay about a personal encounter they or someone they know has had with ABUSE. For more information visit the General binder in the HS office.
- **ABBOTT & FENNER SCHOLARSHIP** – The A&F \$1,000 Scholarship is available to all high school **juniors and seniors**. To apply, you will need to write a 500-1,000 word essay on a topic specified on the scholarship page of their website. More information may be found at <http://www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm>. Deadline to submit applications is **June 14, 2014**.
- **AIR FORCE ACADEMY** – Offers a four-year, fully paid scholarship, including tuition, room/board, medical/dental coverage and monthly salary. Cadets graduate with a Bachelor's of Science degree and are commissioned as second lieutenants in the Air Force. More information can be found at www.academyadmissions.com
- **AIR FORCE ROTC** – Scholarships are awarded to students attending participating AFROTC universities and colleges. Offers tuition scholarships ranging from \$9,000 to \$18,000 per year at private colleges and full tuition coverage at Illinois public colleges/universities. Students graduate with a Bachelor's degree in their chosen major and are commissioned as second lieutenants in the Air Force. More information can be found at www.afrotc.com
- **ALPINE KIWANIS SCHOLARSHIP** – The Alpine Kiwanis is offering 10- \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors who have shown strong moral character, commitment to serving the community and demonstrating financial need. For more information and applications, visit the General binder in the HS office. Deadline to submit applications is **April 1, 2014**.
- **AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN (AAUW) SCHOLARSHIP** – the AAUW scholarship is offered to graduating senior female residents of Winnebago, Boone, or Ogle counties with a GPA of 3.5 or higher, who are planning on majoring in Science, Technology, Engineering, or Math (STEM). For more information go to www.aauw-il/rockford or visit the Female binder in the HS office. To apply visit the website listed above, click on scholarship application, complete and mail the packet to the specified address by **March 17, 2014**.
- **ARMY RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS (ROTC)**: The full-tuition Four-Year Scholarship is for high school students planning on attending a four-year college program. To qualify, you must: be a U.S. citizen; be between the ages of 17 and 26; have a high school GPA of at least 2.50; Have a high school diploma or equivalent; score 19 on the ACT; meet physical standards; agree to accept a commission and serve in the Army on Active Duty or in a Reserve Component (U.S. Army Reserve or Army National Guard). For more information go to www.goarmy.com/rotc and click on Scholarships.

- **AXA ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP** – The \$10,000-25,000 AXA Achievement Scholarship is available to all **high school seniors** planning to attend an accredited two or four-year institution and who are US citizens. Students must display ambition and self-drive, evidenced by outstanding achievement in academics and community involvement. For more information visit the General binder in the HS office. Deadline to submit applications is **December 15, 2013**.
- **AXA COMMUNITY ACHIEVEMENT SCHOLARSHIP** – This \$2,000 scholarship is available to high school seniors planning to attend an accredited two or four-year institution. Applicants must display motivation as evidenced in community service and outstanding achievement academically. For more information visit the General binder in the HS office. Deadline to submit applications is **February 1, 2014**.
- **BETA SIGMA PSI MARTIN LUTHER SCHOLARSHIP** – This \$2,000 award is open to young men who will be attending their first year at any accredited four-year college or university. Applicants should be male, confirmed members of a Lutheran church congregation, and attending college in the Fall 2014 semester. There is no obligation to join Beta Sigma Psi or be related to one of its members in order to be considered. For more information and applications visit the Scholarships for Males binder in the Library. Deadline to submit applications is **Saturday, February 15, 2014**.
- **COCA-COLA SHARE POSSIBILITIES SCHOLARSHIPS** – The Coca-Cola Hispanic Scholarship Fund is sponsoring the Share Possibilities program granting a total of \$200,000 in scholarships to college bound Hispanic students. The national grand prize winner will receive \$20,000; four students will be awarded \$10,000, and sixteen will receive \$2,500. The remaining \$100,000 will be awarded by the company's retail partners across the nation. For more information visit www.Coke-HSF.com and www.hsf.net. Deadline to submit applications is **December 15, 2013**. Information may also be found in the General binder, in the HS Academy office.
- **COMMUNITY BANKERS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS** – The Community Bankers Association of Illinois (CBAI) is offering scholarships ranging from \$500-4,000. Applicants must be sponsored by a CBAI bank. For a listing of banks and eligibility requirements, visit the General Binder in the HS Academy Office. Deadline to submit applications is **February 3, 2014**.
- **DAVID AND MARY BLOOM SCHOLARSHIP** – This privately endowed scholarship is offered to students planning to attend the University of Illinois, with preference given to one who is either DAR or SAR eligible. If interested, contact the University of Illinois Director of Student Financial Aid, 400 Student Services Building, 610 E. John St., Champaign, IL 61820. (Refer to the David Hester Bloom & Mary Ellen Bloom Scholarship)
- **GE REAGAN FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP** – This scholarship acknowledges and rewards young leaders who demonstrate the leadership, drive, integrity, and citizenship exhibited by President Ronald Reagan. Twenty students will receive a \$10,000 scholarship renewable for an additional three years. Students must have a minimum 3.0 GPA, demonstrate financial need, be a U.S. citizen, and demonstrate the attributes listed above. For more information visit the General binder in the HS office. Deadline to submit applications is **January 9, 2014**.
- **GENE HAAS FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS** - The Gene Haas Foundation is offering scholarships in manufacturing and machine training and education to benefit as many as 1,000 students. Scholarships range from \$1,000-2,500, depending on the cost of the applicant's program. Go to SMEEF for more information, or the Trades/Vocational binder in the HS Academy office.
- **GENERAL HENRY DEARBORN SCHOLARSHIP** – This scholarship awards \$1,000 to a deserving applicant majoring in American History, who is sponsored by a DAR Chapter. The application is available in the HS office and must be sent to the State DAR Scholarship Chairman. Deadline to submit applications is **February 1, 2014**.
- **ILLINOIS DAR SCHOLARSHIPS** – the Illinois DAR chapter supports scholarships of \$1,000 in each of the seven Districts. The scholarships are awarded to US citizen who demonstrate financial need and will be attending an Illinois public university or junior college. All applicants must be sponsored by a DAR Chapter. Applications may be found in the General binder in the HS office. Deadline to submit applications is **February 1, 2014**.
- **ILLINOIS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY** – IIT has numerous scholarships available for students attending their engineering, science, architecture, business, and technology-focused university in Chicago. Scholarships range from partial to full tuition, room, and board. The Crown Scholarship provides full tuition for five years to deserving architecture students. Students pursuing fields in Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM) are eligible for up to full-tuition scholarships. IIT's Duchossois Leadership Scholars Program offers deserving students full-tuition, room and board, along with a summer educational experience. The IIT Camras

Scholars Program provides students with full-tuition awards as well as housing scholarships. See your counselor for more information or visit IIT's scholarship page at www.iit.edu.

- **2011-2012 ILLINOIS SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER TUITION WAIVER (SETTW) PROGRAM** – The SETTW application is now available to print, complete and submit. Students pursuing a degree in special education who are willing to commit to teaching in Illinois after completing their degrees may be eligible to apply. To get more information and/or to apply, go to http://www.collegezone.com/studentzone/416_941.htm.
- **JFK PROFILE IN COURAGE ESSAY CONTEST** – Students grades nine-twelve may enter this essay contest by submitting any original essay of 1,000 words or less describing and analyzing an act of political courage by a U.S. elected official who served during or after 1956. First place winner receives a \$5,000 cash award and \$5,000 toward a John Hancock Freedom 529 College Savings Plan. For complete guidelines, visit www.jfklibrary.org or the General binder in the HS Academy office. Deadline to submit essays is **January 6, 2014**.
- **KIWANIS CLUB OF ROCKFORD EDUCATION GRANT** – the Kiwanis Club of Rockford is recognizing high school seniors for service to community and school by providing financial assistance through this grant. Applicants must demonstrate frequent participation of a constructive nature in school and community projects in the Rockford community. Applications may be found and completed online at www.kiwanisclubofrockford.com, printed out, and mailed to the specified address. NO HAND-WRITTEN APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. Deadline for application submission is **March 7, 2014**.
- **MINORITY TEACHERS OF ILLINOIS SCHOLARSHIPS** – This scholarship is open to all minority students who are residents of Illinois, a U.S. citizen, have a GPA of 2.5 or higher, and enrolled in a program resulting in certification as a preschool, elementary, or secondary teacher by the Illinois State Board of Education. For more information visit www.isac.org or the Education binder in the Library. Deadline to submit applications is **December 20, 2014**.
- **NATIONAL CO-OP SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM** - WACE is offering scholarships to students who apply and are accepted to one of their partner schools (a listing of which can be found at the website listed below). Students who apply must have a GPS of 3.5 or higher. Visit www.waceinc.org for further information or to apply. Information may also be found in the General binder in the counseling office.
- **NAVY RESERVE OFFICER TRAINING CORPS (NROTC) SCHOLARSHIP**—The NROTC scholarship is a four-year scholarship worth up to \$180,000 covering full tuition, books, fees, uniforms and a monthly stipend of \$250. After graduation from college, the student enters the Navy as a commissioned officer in a variety of occupations including engineering, aviation, surface warfare or nursing. The minimum scholarship requirements are: ACT: 22 Math, 22 English or SAT: 520 Math, 530 Verbal. For more information or to apply, go to www.nrotc.navy.mil.
- **RAMM SCHOLARSHIP** – Rockford Association for Minority Management (RAMM) is offering a limited number of scholarships to African-American seniors in Winnebago County. Applicants must have a GPA of 2.5 or better and plan to attend a 2 or 4-year college or university. For more information visit the Minority binder in the HS office or online at www.ramm-rkfd.org. Applications must be **received** by **November 29, 2014**. (suggested mail date is November 25, 2014).
- **ROCKFORD TRAIL BLAZER SCHOLARSHIP** – This \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a high school senior in the Rockford area who submits the winning service project, which will be designed to have the greatest positive impact in the Rockford community. For more information, visit the General binder in the HS office. Project submission must be by **May 15, 2014**.
- **RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE MINORITY SCHOLARSHIPS** – The Ronald McDonald House is offering scholarships in each of the following: Asian- American, African American, and Hispanic American. If you are among any of these ethnicities, visit www.rmhc.org/rmhc-us-scholarships to submit an application for scholarships. Information may also be found in the Minority binder in the HS Academy office. Deadline to submit applications is **January 21, 2014**.
- **RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE SCHOLARSHIPS** – The Ronald McDonald House is offering general scholarships to graduating seniors. For guidelines and requirements, visit www.rmhc.org/rmhc-us-scholarships or the General binder in the HS Academy office. Deadline to submit applications is **January 21, 2014**.
- **RX TECH PREP SCHOLARSHIP** – RX Tech Prep tuition award is open to graduating high school seniors who are interested in the career of pharmacy technician. For more information visit www.rxtechprep.net or visit the Medical binder in the Library. See Mrs. Meeks in HS for scholarship applications. Deadline to submit applications is **January 16, 2014**.

- **SCOTTISH RITE & MASONIC SCHOLARSHIPS** – The Scottish Rite Bodies, Valley of Freeport is offering scholarships to students who are members of or related to members of the Scottish Rite Mason. Information may be obtained in the General binder in the HS Academy office. Deadline to submit applications is **April 1, 2014**.
- **2011-2012 TEACHER EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS (TESP)** – The interactive application for 2011-12 TESP, used to apply for the **Illinois Future Teacher Corps (IFTC)** Program and the **Minority Teachers of Illinois (MTI)** Scholarship Program, is available at collegezone.com. This online application offers benefits such as providing program information, performing online edits, allowing faster delivery time, and generating immediate confirmation the application has been received. Applicants must have a valid digital ID from the State of Illinois.
- **TRUMAN D. PICARD SCHOLARSHIP** – The \$2,500 Truman D Picard Scholarship is dedicated to the support of Native American students pursuing a higher education in natural Resources. Applicants must submit a FAFSA and show evidence of enrollment in a federally recognized tribe or Alaska Native Corporation. For further information visit the Minority binder in the HS office and submit all requested information by **January 17, 2014**.
- **UNIVERSAL TECHNICAL INSTITUTE SCHOLARSHIPS** – UTI is having an Open House December 7, 2013, in Lisle, Illinois, at which students may participate in the Scholarship Testing Competition, possibly earning up to \$2,500 in scholarships. The American Dream Scholarships covers basic knowledge in math, English, history, and geography. The UTI Transportation and Motorsports Scholarship covers basic technical knowledge related to auto, diesel, NASCAR, collision repair, motorcycle, and marine industries. For more information, visit UTI.edu or the Vocational binder in the HS office.
- **YWCA BRIGHT FUTURE SCHOLARSHIP** – The YWCA is presenting \$1,500 scholarships to outstanding female high school seniors looking to continue their education. Applicants must be residents of Northern Illinois and maintain a GPA of 2.5 or higher. Additional requirements may be found in the Female binder in the HS Academy office. Deadline to submit applications is **December 6, 2013**.

Scholarships from specific Colleges and Universities:

Remember...every college and university has its own scholarships to offer. Contact the admissions office or financial aid office of every school you are applying to. They will give you information or applications for their scholarship programs! Below are some sample scholarships for various colleges. Go to www.meritaid.com to type in a college and see its scholarship opportunities. This is NOT a complete list of scholarships available from different colleges!

- **ASHFORD UNIVERSITY AUTOMATIC SCHOLARSHIPS:** Students who are admitted to Ashford University and have the following academic credentials will receive the following scholarships. President's Scholarship is for students with a 3.5 GPA and up...full tuition (valued at \$15,720 per year). Provost's Scholarship for students with a 3.25-3.49 GPA...\$12,500 toward tuition per year. Dean's Scholarship is for students with a 3.00 to 3.24 GPA...\$10,000 toward tuition per year. To apply to Ashford University, go to www.chooseashford.com. Awards will be made until campus enrollment capacity is reached.
- **BLACKBURN COLLEGE** – Blackburn College in Carlinville, Illinois is offering a \$1,000 High School Counselor Scholarship for Illinois high school counseling offices to award to a graduating senior who will be attending Blackburn in the fall of 2014 as a full-time student. If interested, see **Mrs. Meeks** in the HS Academy office.
- **EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS** – For a listing of scholarships offered by Eastern Illinois University visit www.eiu.edu/~scholars/.
- **ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY:** Students applying to ISU by **November 15th** are given automatic consideration for the Presidential Scholarship Program—32ACT and 4.33 GPA on average (\$8000 per year renewable), University Scholarship Program—28 ACT and 3.9 GPA on average (\$5000 per year renewable), and Provost Scholarship based on academic merit (\$1000 per year renewable). For information on departmental scholarships and other opportunities visit IllinoisState.edu/scholarships.
- **INDIANA UNIVERSITY-BLOOMINGTON BETA SIGMA PSI CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP AWARD** – This \$1,500 scholarship is offered to Lutheran males who will be starting school Fall 2014 at UI-Bloomington. There is no

obligation to join Beta Sigma Psi. For more information and applications visit the Specific School binder in the Library. Deadline to submit applications is **February 15, 2014**.

- **LAKE FOREST COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS:** All Illinois residents will receive an automatic \$12,000 In-State Scholarship. In addition to the Guaranteed In-State Scholarship, all students can apply for an academic, leadership, or talent-based scholarship and receive up to another \$8,000. Go to www.lakeforest.edu/scholarships for more information about talent-based scholarships.
- **LINCOLN COLLEGE-NORMAL ILLINOIS** – Lincoln College’s Opportunity Grant is offered to any student applying to their college. The grants range from \$500-1,000; that amount may be tripled if applicants meet the **March 15, 2013** deadline. LCN also offers academic scholarships (no separate application is necessary) to all students accepted for admission.
- **PURDUE UNIVERSITY BETA SIGMA PSI CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP AWARD** - This \$1,500 scholarship is offered to Lutheran males who will be starting school Fall 2014 at Purdue University-West Lafayette. There is no obligation to join Beta Sigma Psi. For more information and applications visit the Specific School binder in the Library. Deadline to submit applications is **February 15, 2014**
- **ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY** – Robert Morris University is offering a scholarship to a student who will be attending RMU, Elgin campus, in Fall 2014. The selected student will pay \$5,000 per academic year, after state and federal grants are applied. Applicants must have a 2.5 or better GPA. If interested, **see Mrs. Meeks** in the HS Academy office. All materials must be submitted by **February 1, 2014**.
- **ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY** – Students from Jefferson who are interested in pursuing a Nursing degree can qualify for a scholarship of up to \$15,000 per academic year at Robert Morris University. Applicants must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher, an ACT composite score of 21 or higher and ACT Math score of 21 or higher, and a C or higher earned in advanced Algebra or equivalent, Biology and Chemistry. For more information see Mrs. Meeks in the HS office. All information requested must be submitted by **February 1, 2014**.
- **SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY AT CARBONDALE:** Students at SIUC will automatically be considered for some scholarships when the application for admission is reviewed. They begin awarding their largest scholarships on **October 1st** until funds run out. Some scholarships require a separate application process. Visit <http://scholarships.suic.edu> for more details.
- **UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON LEADERSHIP IN SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP** – University of Dayton (Ohio), a top 10 national Catholic university, is offering this \$2,500 renewable scholarship (up to \$10,000, total). Additionally, students who visit the campus and file a FAFSA before March 1, 2014 receive free textbooks for four year, up to \$500 per semester. The student must be enrolled at Univ. of Dayton for Fall 2014 and will be selected by the Jefferson counseling office. If interested, **see Mrs. Meeks** in the HS Academy office.
- **UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO HONORS PROGRAM:** Students accepted to the Honors Program at UIC will have opportunities for scholarships, tuition waivers, study abroad and research experiences. Applicants must have strong academic records as well as extracurricular or leadership experiences. Three letters of recommendation and a transcript must accompany the honors application. Selected students will be invited to the campus for an interview and impromptu essay writing session for the final round of the application process. Visit www.uic.edu/honors for details and the application.
- **UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT SPRINGFIELD CAPITAL HONORS PROGRAM (CAP):** Students selected to this program will receive \$1250 to \$7000 per academic year for four years, a laptop computer, and a more exclusive and challenging curriculum and residence hall experience at U of I Springfield. Students will be evaluated for the program based on class rank, GPA, ACT/SAT scores, personal and academic goals statement, and creative and leadership potential. For more information about the CAP Honors Program visit www.uis.edu/capitalscholars. For questions on how to apply, contact Karen Guthrie-Coleman at capitalscholars@uis.edu or 217-206-7246.
- **UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA/CHAMPAIGN:** The Undergraduate Application for Admission is the same application used for all merit-based scholarships. You will automatically be considered for scholarships when you apply. Priority for scholarships may be given to applicants who apply during the Priority Filing Period. For more information about scholarships visit www.admissions.illinois.edu/cost/scholarships.html.

- **UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA/CHAMPAIGN BETA SIGMA PSI CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP AWARD** - This \$1,500 scholarship is offered to Lutheran males who will be starting school Fall 2014 at UIUC. There is no obligation to join Beta Sigma Psi. For more information and applications visit the Specific School binder in the Library. Deadline to submit applications is **February 15, 2014**.
- **FRED S. BAILEY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (UIUC)** – Students planning to attend Univ. of Illinois Urbana/Champaign and are interested in Social Justice, Environment, Faith-based careers or International Studies may apply for this one-time \$3,000 scholarship. Applicants must demonstrate commitment to service, community involvement, leadership and awareness as well as academic achievement and financial need. Apply online at: www.universitymca.org/bailey. Information may be found in the Specific School binder. Deadline to submit applications is February 7, 2014.
- **WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY**: Various scholarship opportunities for incoming freshmen, all with varying deadlines and application procedures. Visit www.wiu.edu/scholarships or a complete listing.

Check out the following websites for additional scholarship opportunities:

www.fastweb.com

www.scholarships.com

www.studentscholarshipresearch.com

www.careercruising.com

user name: jeffersonhigh

password: jhawks

www.outstandingstudentsofamerica.com

www.scholarshipexperts.com

www.maldef.org (Latino)

www.latinocollegedollars.com

www.cfnil.org (Community Foundation of Northern Illinois)

<http://rockfordpubliclibrary.org/foc/Scholarships/index.asp>

www.studentscholarships.org

<http://virtualcollegefair.blackamericaweb.com>

<http://nces.ed.gov/collegenavigator>(for college information)