SCHOLARSHIP & FINANCIAL AID PRESENTATION

Christopher High School Student Services



THE HOME STRETCH!

Senior To Do's

- Maintain a STRONG ACADEMIC STANDING
- Apply to GAVILAN
- Apply for SCHOLARSHIPS
- Apply for FINANCIAL AID



GAVILAN-BOUND SENIORS!



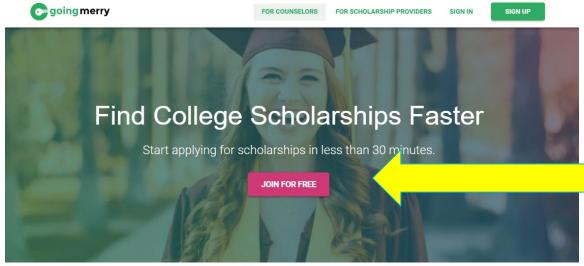
SCHOLARSHIPS

- Scholarships = FREE MONEY!!
- Merit based scholarships (academic performance)
- Need based scholarships (financial need).
- Scholarship funds come from:
 - Community-Based Organizations
 - Individuals
 - Colleges/Universities
 - Foundations, Companies
 - Deadlines will vary depending on the scholarship.



GUSD COMMON SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Apply to MANY scholarships with one application: Here's how...



Click on Join For Free to set up your account

GOINGMERRY.COM

GUSD SCHOLARSHIPS ON GOING MERRY

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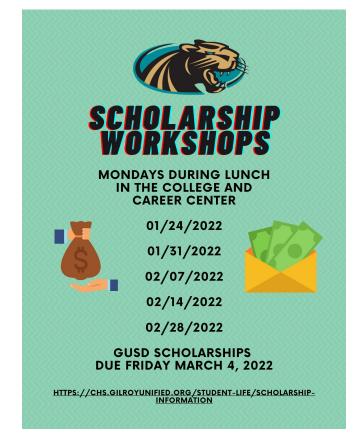
- 1. Complete the profile and personal statement.
 - a. Have someone proof your application for errors!!
- 2. Decide who you would like to write letters of recommendation for you.
 - a. Request them via Going Merry BEFORE we leave on February break.
 - b. Give them your updated activity sheet.
 - c. Let them know when you will need them to upload your letter.
- 3. Request your <u>transcript</u> from our school Registrar Ms. Pineda (<u>anai.pineda@gilroyunified.org</u>) and then upload to Going Merry

GUSD SCHOLARSHIPS ON GOING MERRY

Submit completed applications ONLINE by

DUE: Friday, March 4, 2022 at 8:59 pm.

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION WORKSHOPS



GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS

 General Scholarships (scholarships that have their own application and due date) are also available

Please check the "<u>Scholarship Information</u>" page under the "<u>Student Life</u>" tab on the <u>CHS website</u> regularly for the most up to date information

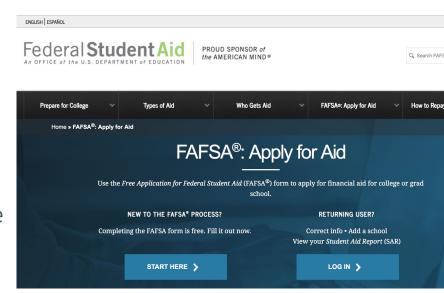
It's also a great idea to research scholarships offered through the school you plan on attending

GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarship	Deadline to Submit	Criteria	Amount	Application / Website	Grade	Additional Information
2021 El Dabe Ritter Scholarship	06/30/2021	Applicants should be enrolled in an accredited university, in the USA, applicants must have a minimum of a 3.0 GPA, all applicantions should be submitted no longer that June 30th, 2021, an essay of 500+ word is required on why having a higher education is important.	\$1,500	www.personalinjurylawyerslosangeles.com/#	12	
California Association of Winegrape Growers Foundation Scholarships	03/05/2021	Child/dependent of parent/legal guardian employed by a winegrape grower during current or past growing season, Senior, enroll in 12 units per semester with satisfactory grades.	(3) 4-year college - \$8,000 (3) 2-year college - \$2,000	cawgfoundation.org	12	
California Association of Winegrape Growers Foundation - Robert Miller Scholarship	03/05/2021	Be a Central Coast high school senior graduating in 2021 or a student enrolled at Alan Hancock Community College or Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. Plan to major or are majoring in viticulture or enology at either Alan Hancock Community College or Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo. Children of current directors or employees of the Ca. Association of Winegrape Growers Foundation are not eligible to apply.	\$500 - Alan Honcock Community College \$1,000 - Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo	cawqfoundation.org	12	
Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. (San Jose Alumnae Chapter)	01/25/2021	Be of African American descent. Residing and graduating high school senior in Santa Calra County. Plan to attend an accredited 2 or 4 year college or univesity. Have a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.75	\$1,000 and \$2,000	siadeltas.org	12	DUE TO THE SCHEDULING OF THE 2020 hOLIDAY BREAK, WE STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU ORDER YOUR TRANSCRIPT AND REQUEST LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
McDonald's Hacer National Scholarship	02/03/2021	Must be a current high school senior who is eligible to attend a two-or four-year college, university or vocational/technical school. Must be a legal U.S. resident. Msut be less than 21 years of age. Must have a minimum 2.8 GPA. Must be a Hispanio/Latino heritage.	Varies	https://www.mcdonalds.com/us/en-us/comm unity/hacer.html	12	

WHAT IS FINANCIAL AID?

- Money that the federal or state government gives or loans students.
- FAFSA = Free Application for Federal Student Aid
 - Website: www.studentaid.gov
- Ca Dream Act = Free Application for California State Aid for AB 540 eligible Students
 - Website: <u>dream.csac.ca.gov</u>



By completing the FAFSA

- You will apply for the different types of aid that are available...
- ▶ Grants = Free Money
 - ► Cal Grant A 3.00 GPA or higher
 - ► Cal Grant B 2.00 GPA or higher
 - Cal Grant C
 - Pell Grant
- ▶ Loans = Borrowed Money
 - Subsidized Loan
 - Unsubsidized Loans
- Work Study = Work for your money
- Scholarships = Free Money



Student Eligibility for Federal Student Aid

- U.S. citizen or Permanent Resident
- Have a Social Security Number
- High school diploma, GED, or equivalent.
- Demonstrate financial need
- Register with Selective Service (males only).
- ▶ Enroll in an eligible degree or certificate program.
- Good academic progress.



California Dream Act



https://dream.csac.ca.gov/

Who can apply:

- Undocumented Students
- With or without DACA
- TPS Status
- U visa holders

Additional Requirements:

- Must be eligible to submit the non-resident tuition exemption
- Males 18-25 yrs. Old must register for selective service (can register w/o providing SSN)

SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES

- Residency Issues (you or your parents)
- Lack of a social security number (you or your parents)
- Unique family living situations
- In Foster Care

QUESTIONS???

SEE YOUR ACADEMIC COORDINATOR!



Upcoming Webinar Dates:

January 12th 2022 January 26th 2022 February 9th 2022 February 24 2022

All 5:30 -7:30 pm

Register at:

https://www.csac.ca.gov/post/cash-college-workshop-registration

Questions?

We Are Here To Help You







Ms. Garibay



Mrs. Cid-Castro



Mrs. Maiorino