Senior Scholarship Opportunities

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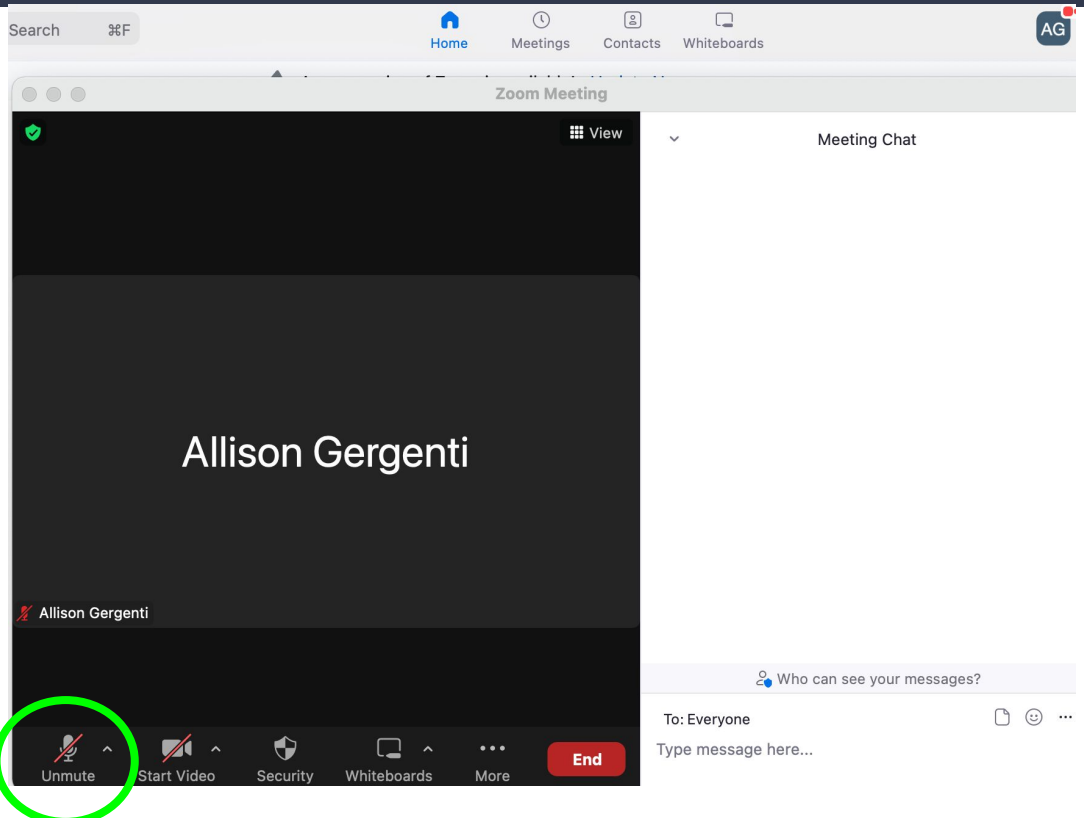


Overview

- What are scholarships?
- Scholarship Opportunities
  - School
  - Local
  - College Specific
  - National
- Search for scholarships
  - BigFuture
  - Going Merry
  - Fast Web
- Scam Lookout

Types of Financial Aid

Make sure to attend Financial Aid Night on Nov. 13!

Loans
Borrowing money that will need to be paid back with interest

Scholarships
"Free money" from organizations that you do not need to repay

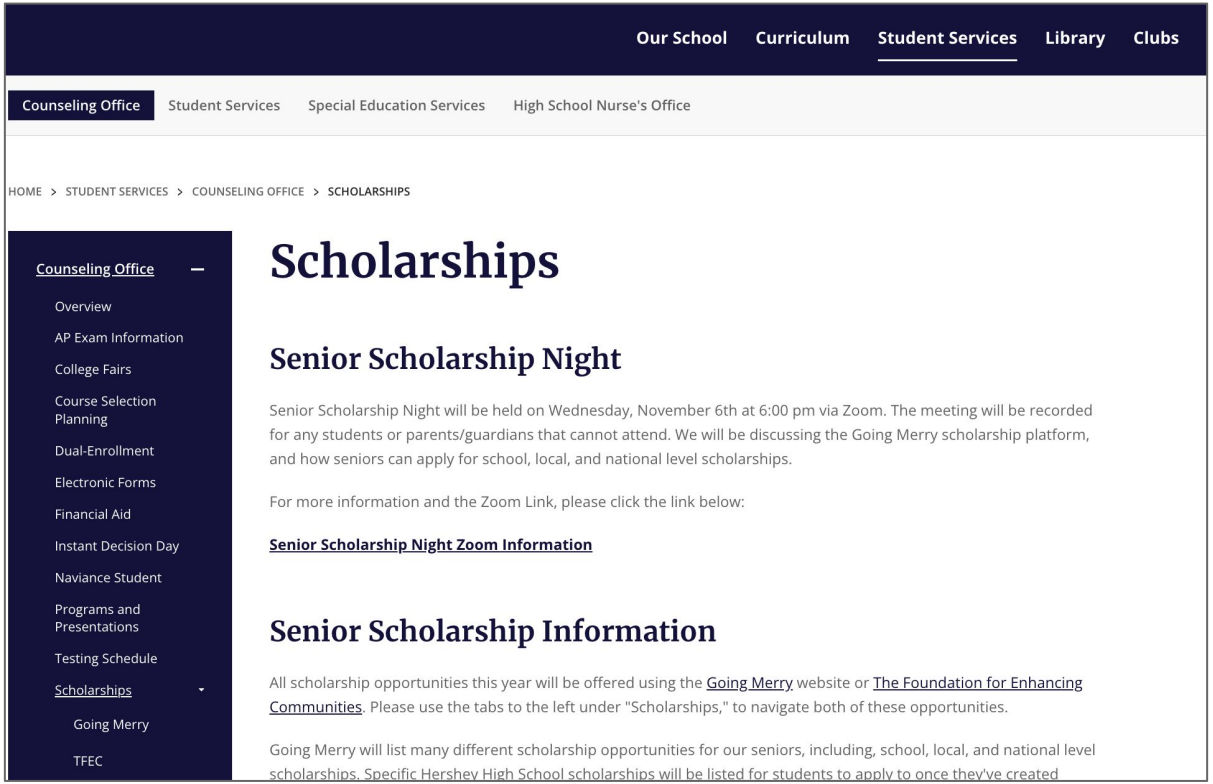
Grants
Money you do not need to pay back unless you withdraw from the institution

Work Study Jobs
Working part-time at your post-secondary

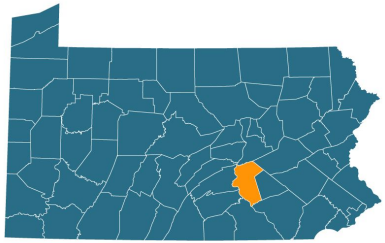
Reminder: The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) will be open on or before December 1st. Complete the FAFSA in order to qualify for additional aid. Create an account at https://studentaid.gov/

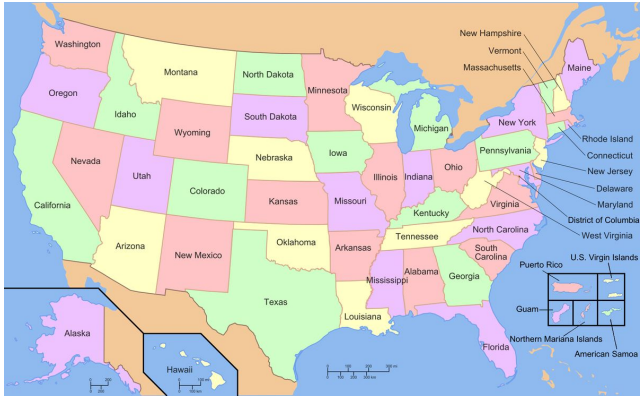
HHS Scholarship Website

https://hhs.hershey.k12.pa.us/student-services/hhs-counseling/scholarships



HHS → National Scholarships

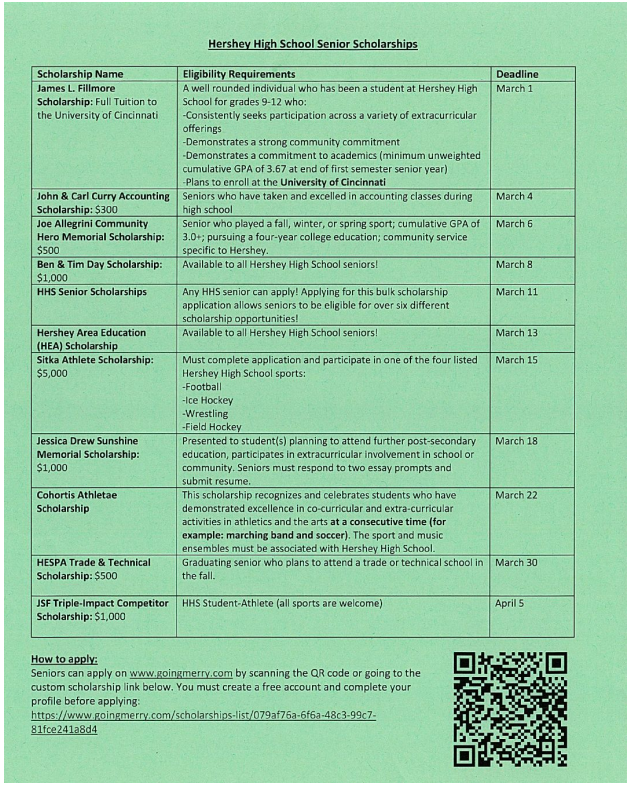




Hershey High School Scholarships

All Hershey High School scholarships will be offered through Going Merry.

- Lunch & Learn Sessions
  - October 30th
  - November 13th
- Seniors must create an account on www.goingmerry.com and select "Hershey High School," to be eligible
- Current listings on Going Merry for only HHS students
- Paper copies of scholarship opportunities available in the counseling office



Hershey High School Senior Scholarships

Scholarship Name	Eligibility Requirements	Deadline
James L. Fillmore Scholarship: Full Tuition to the University of Cincinnati	A well rounded individual who has been a student at Hershey High School for grades 9-12 who: -Consistently seeks participation across a variety of extracurricular offerings -Demonstrates a strong community commitment -Demonstrates a commitment to academics (minimum unweighted cumulative GPA of 3.67 at end of first semester senior year) -Plans to enroll at the **University of Cincinnati**	March 1
John & Carl Curry Accounting Scholarship: $300	Seniors who have taken and excelled in accounting classes during high school	March 4
Joe Allegrini Community Hero Memorial Scholarship: $500	Senior who played a fall, winter, or spring sport; cumulative GPA of 3.0+; pursuing a four-year college education; community service specific to Hershey.	March 6
Ben & Tim Day Scholarship: $1,000	Available to all Hershey High School seniors!	March 8
HHS Senior Scholarships	Any HHS senior can apply! Applying for this bulk scholarship application allows seniors to be eligible for over six different scholarship opportunities!	March 11
Hershey Area Education (HEA) Scholarship	Available to all Hershey High School seniors!	March 13
Sitka Athlete Scholarship: $5,000	Must complete application and participate in one of the four listed Hershey High School sports: -Football -Ice Hockey -Wrestling -Field Hockey	March 15
Jessica Drew Sunshine Memorial Scholarship: $1,000	Presented to student(s) planning to attend further post-secondary education, participates in extracurricular involvement in school or community. Seniors must respond to two essay prompts and submit resume.	March 18
Cohortis Athletae Scholarship	This scholarship recognizes and celebrates students who have demonstrated excellence in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities in athletics and the arts **at a consecutive time (for example: marching band and soccer)**. The sport and music ensembles must be associated with Hershey High School.	March 22
HESPA Trade & Technical Scholarship: $500	Graduating senior who plans to attend a trade or technical school in the fall.	March 30
JSF Triple-Impact Competitor Scholarship: $1,000	HHS Student-Athlete (all sports are welcome)	April 5

How to apply:
Seniors can apply on www.goingmerry.com by scanning the QR code or going to the custom scholarship link below. You must create a free account and complete your profile before applying:
https://www.goingmerry.com/scholarships-list/079af76a-6f6a-48c3-99c7-81fce241a8d4

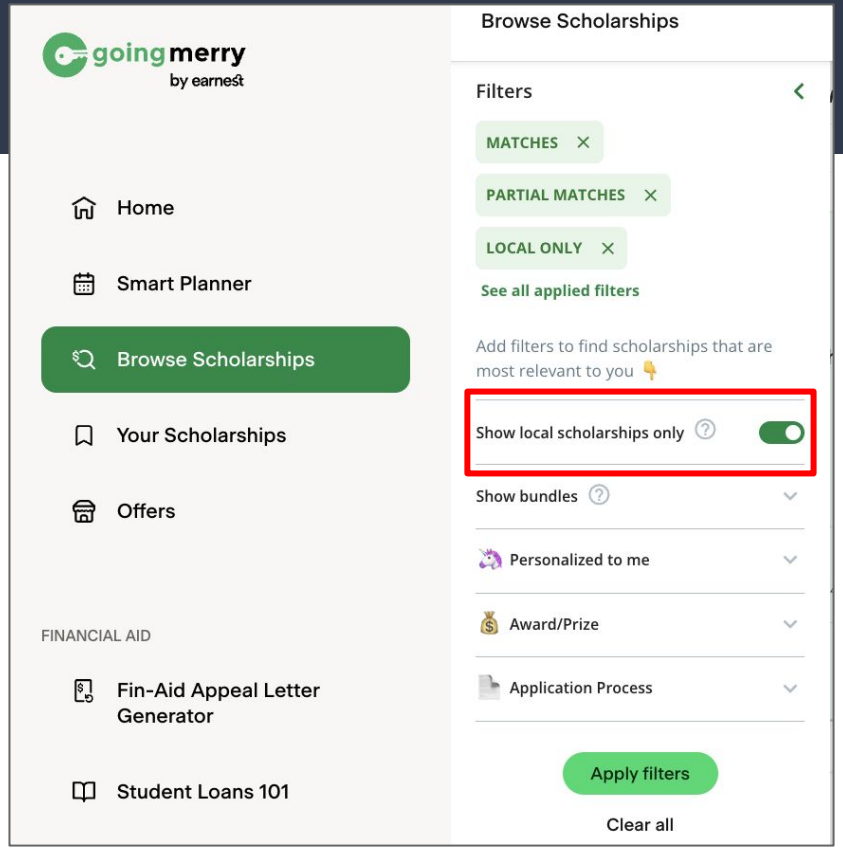
Where do I start?

1. Review scholarship opportunities on the HHS Scholarship Website

2. Create a free account on www.goingmerry.com

3. Complete your profile
   a. The more information you complete, the more scholarships you are matched with!

4. Select “Browse Scholarships”



Going Merry Student Account – HHS

[HHS Scholarship List]

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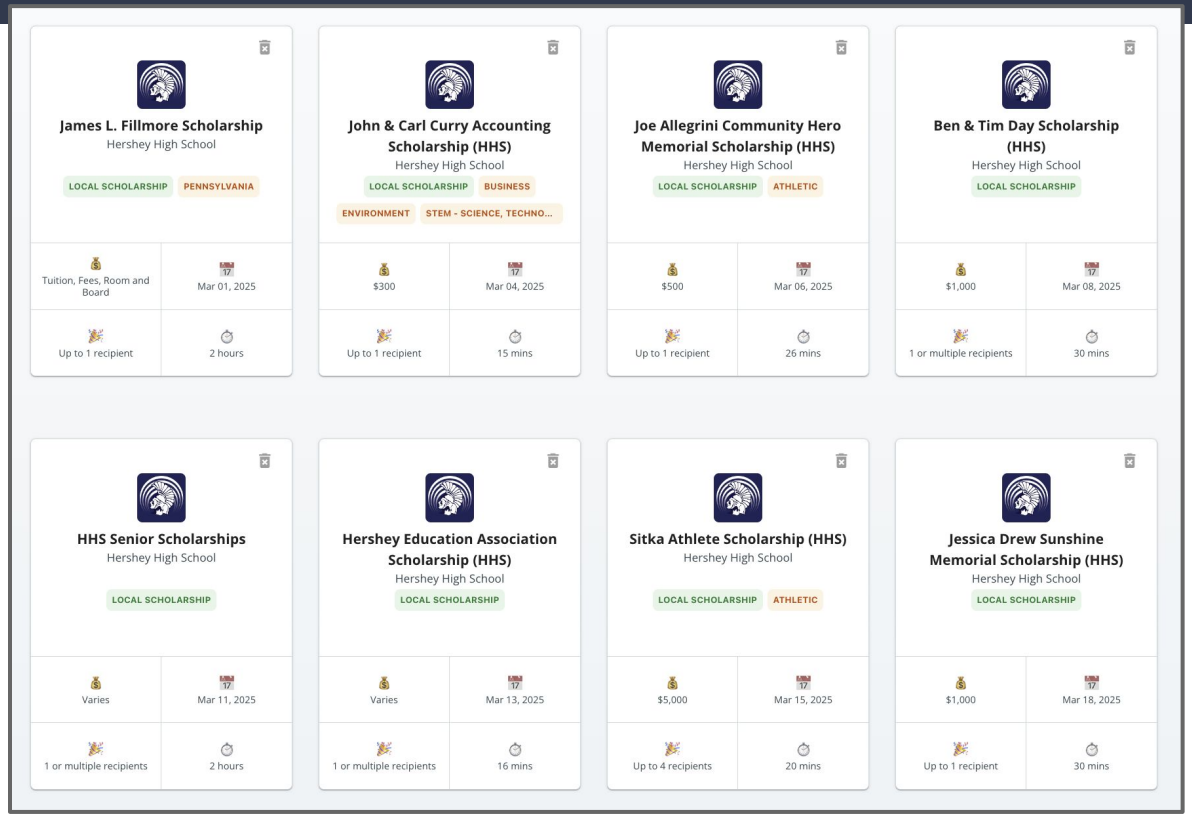
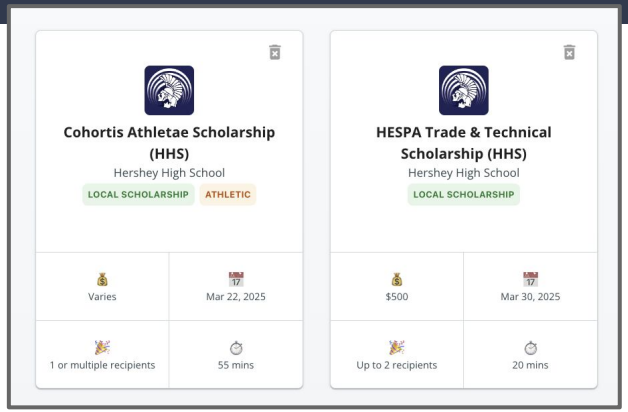




Local Scholarships

Will open on January 1, 2025

- The Foundation for Enhancing Communities (TFEC) Scholarships are designed to sort scholarships by **high school** in Dauphin County
- Can be used now as seniors and as future college students
- 130+ scholarship opportunities through the Universal Application (UA)
- 25+ Stand Alone (SA) opportunities
- TFEC Scholarship Website

Local Scholarships on Going Merry:

- Richard and Elizabeth Dean Scholarship
- PACAC Scholarship
- Best & Brightest
- Brownstone Masonic Scholarship
- Irvin E. Herr Scholarship Foundation
- AND MORE!

College Specific Scholarships

- Scholarships can also be found within a college or university's website.
- This information is found under the **Financial Aid** portion of the website.
    - For example, Temple University academic scholarships can range from $2,000 - full tuition.
- Every college will be different in terms of scholarships offered.

National Scholarships

1. Build a profile
2. Get matched to eligible scholarships
3. Apply for scholarships

Going Merry Website

- Find scholarships
- Learn more about financial aid
- College exploration

Fastweb Website

- Find scholarships, other financial aid and internships from more than 2,200 programs, totaling nearly **$6 billion**.
- Enter as much information as possible to find the most matches.
- Scholarship information is based on the College Board's Annual Survey of Financial Aid Programs.

BigFuture Scholarship Search Website

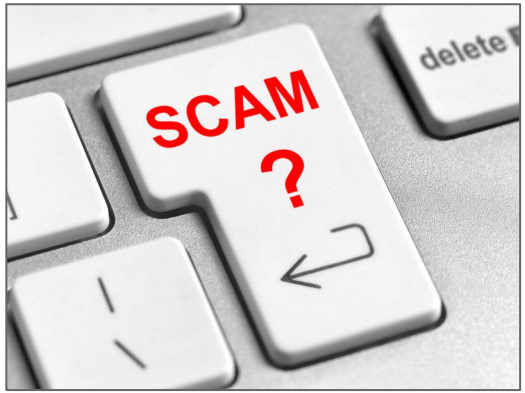
Scam Lookout

Legitimate scholarship organizations **do not ask for**:

- Social security information
- Credit card information
- Application fee or deposit

Be wary of organizations saying:

- “We’ll do all the work.”
- “The scholarship is guaranteed or your money back”



https://www.finaid.org/scholarships/scams.phtml

Questions?

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