



# BONNEY LAKE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR PROWLER NEWSLETTER



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## SAT TEST DATES

**REGISTER BY**-Please check the university you are interested in. testing dates are subject to change following health department & government guidelines.

| <u>REGISTER BY</u> | <u>TEST</u> |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Feb. 21            | Mar. 08     |
| April 18           | May 03      |
| May 22             | June 07     |

[Register for the SAT here](#)

**SAT:** [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

**ACT:** [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

## ACT TEST DATES

**REGISTER BY**-Please check the university you are interested in.

| <u>REGISTER BY</u> | <u>TEST</u> |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Feb. 28            | April 05    |
| May 09             | June 14     |
| June 06            | July 12     |

[Register for the ACT here](#)

**\*\*Seniors must take a test by Dec. if planning to attend a 4-year college.**  
BLHS School code 480111

Research has shown that 20 hours of practice on Khan Academy is associated with an average 115-point score increase from the PSAT/NMSQT to the SAT, nearly double the average gain without Khan.

[Read the full study here](#)

## VIRTUAL COLLEGE FAIRS



### Spring College Fairs

**March 23<sup>rd</sup> & April 27<sup>th</sup>**

Go to [www.nacacfairs.org](http://www.nacacfairs.org) to register



### SENIOR NIGHT

All night celebration after graduation

**COST \$170**

Price goes up 1/01/2025 \$185  
Contact Panther Parent Pride to purchase.

### **Scholarship Search Engines**

[College Board](#)

[College Net](#)

[Ready Set Grad](#)

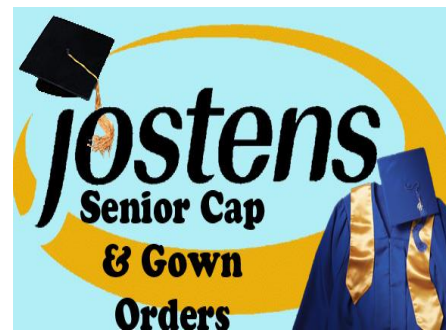
[Sallie Mae Scholarship Search](#)

[Scholarships.com](#)

[theWashBoard.org](#)

[StudentScholarships.org](#)

It's NOT too late to order!



Jostens Regalia

Order you Cap and Gown here!

[www.jostens.com](http://www.jostens.com)



### College & Military Rep Visits

Reps from various post-secondary options will be visiting during lunches. This can include apprenticeships, military personnel, trades schools, 2 & 4-year colleges. This is for you! Make the most of the visit by connecting, picking up pamphlets, and getting your questions answered.

Marines 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday Month  
Army 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday  
National Guard 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday  
Airforce 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday  
Navy 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday  
Coast Guard 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday

**\*\*\*\*\* Important Up Coming Dates \*\*\*\*\***

Cap and Gown Delivery 3/28/2025  
Guest forms for prom available 4/25/2025  
Prom tickets on sale 5/6/2025  
Senior Scholarship Awards Night 5/28 @ 6:30 PAC  
Heart of the Panther 5/29 @ 7pm PAC  
Senior Prom 5/31  
Victory Tour 6/2  
Senior Finals 6/3-6/5  
Senior Sunset 6/5  
Graduation 6/10 @ 4pm

Check out these Resources available in the Career Center (CIC)

|                         |                   |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Resume Help             | Military Contacts |
| Interview tips          | Internships       |
| Apprenticeship contacts | Scholarships      |
| Job shadow              | Volunteer info.   |

**College Open Houses and Opportunities:**

**WSU Fall Preview Day** – Limited in-person tours are available Monday through Thursday 9am and 2pm. Friday's at 9am, noon and 2pm. – This is a perfect way to experience the unique atmosphere and energy of WSU while enjoying autumn on the Palouse. Go to [www.wsu.edu](http://www.wsu.edu)

**Duke University Virtual Tours**~ Set up your own Virtual Campus visit or reality tour to receive information and ask questions about the university, the admissions process, financial aid and much more. Go to [www.admissions.duke.edu](http://www.admissions.duke.edu) to register.

**Montana State University Virtual Tours** ~ Set up your own in person visit or Virtual tour to meet with faculty and students, explore academic facilities, tour (virtually) the campus and residence halls and investigate possibilities for financial aid and scholarships. Go to [www.montana.edu](http://www.montana.edu) to start your adventure tour of MSU.

**Scholarships** - There are many scholarships available to graduating students. Don't forget to check out the websites of the College of your choice. Many times, they have scholarships available. Usually, you can locate scholarship information under the financial aid button. Do your own scholarship search as there are too many to list here. This list is intended to get you started. Start pulling your scholarship applications together early.

**Careers That Work! Scholarship Deadline June 2025**

\$1000 scholarships are awarded to three graduating seniors planning to attend.

Participating schools are: DeVry, Gene Juarez, Kitchen Academy, NW Culinary Institute, and the Salon Professional Academy and many more.



## Community Scholarship – Sumner-Bonney Lake Education Foundation Scholarship

Application “LIVE” online 11/24/2024 Many local scholarships are available to Bonney Lake High School seniors through the Sumner-Bonney Lake Education Foundation. The Education Foundation serves to recognize graduating seniors for their merit, community activities, academics, athletics, financial needs, and/or educational goals. Applications available online at [www.sumnersd.org](http://www.sumnersd.org) Deadline: 02/23/2025

- \_ Absher Construction Scholarship
- \_ Ben B. Cheney Scholarship
- \_ BLHS Band Alliance Scholarship
- \_ BLHS Panther Girls Basketball Scholarship
- \_ Bob Dalton Scholarship
- \_ Bonney Lake Chamber of Commerce
- \_ Bonney Lake Kiwanis Scholarship
- \_ Bonney Lake Lions Club Scholarship
- \_ Community Service Scholarship
- \_ Dr. Joe Eben Corliss Scholarship
- \_ East Pierce Volunteer Firefighter’s Assoc. Scholarship of Excellence
- \_ Elhi Hill Phoenix Scholarship
- \_ Eileen Leighton Beaulieu Scholarship
- \_ Jerry Downing Memorial Golf Scholarship
- \_ John Doan Arts and Music Scholarship
- \_ Kathryn Dalton Teacher Scholarship
- \_ Eismann Family Scholarship
- \_ Sunset Auto Family Scholarship

- \_ Kiwanis of Puyallup – Dean Dow Kiwanis Scholarship
- \_ Kiwanis of Puyallup – Key Club
- \_ Madison Murphy Volleyball Scholarship
- \_ Molen Orthodontics Scholarship
- \_ Newland Communities at Tehaleh Scholarship
- \_ PEO Chapter IG Scholarship
- \_ Pierce First Scholarship
- \_ Sound Family Medicine Scholarship
- \_ SBLEF Academic Scholarship
- \_ SBLEF Vocational Scholarship
- \_ Sumner Education Association Scholarship
- \_ Sumner Rotary Academic Scholarship
- \_ Sumner Rotary Vocational Scholarship
- \_ Bob Swanson Memorial Music Scholarship
- \_ Robert Thurman Memorial Scholarship
- \_ Harry Corliss Scholarship for the Trades
- \_ BELIKEHAYLEY Scholarship
- \_ Garianda-Belval Diversity Scholarship

## An easy-to-complete, no-essay college scholarship application

Attention all Males

**Men’s College Scholarship** has a **quick, easy, no-essay application that can be completed in as little as 15-20 minutes.**

Available to any male, graduating high school senior who is enrolling in a four-year undergraduate college program commencing in fall 2025,

<https://foundationfe.org/highschoolscholarship/>

**Deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025**

## The Learning Seed Foundation Scholarship

The Learning Seed Foundation Scholarship Fund was established by the Learning Seed Foundation to assist graduating high school seniors in Thurston and Pierce Counties in obtaining a higher education. This scholarship is designed to benefit primarily students of color who have overcome significant obstacles and demonstrate a commitment to others. The scholarship has the potential to be renewed for up to an additional 3 years of undergraduate education. **Deadline 03/12/2025**

[Learning Seed Foundation Scholarship](https://www.learningseedfoundation.org/scholarship)

**View Scholarships for High School Seniors** Click to view multiple scholarships.

### **Writing Contests:**

**Gilda's Club "Cancer Unwrapped" Teen Writing Contest** – Who: 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Deadline: 02/28/2025  
Share your stories about cancer in personal essays of 500 to 2,000 words. Your stories can be about your own experience of a personal diagnosis or about your experience with a diagnosis of a loved one, a schoolmate, or friend. Submit your essay at [www.cancerpathways.org](http://www.cancerpathways.org)

**2025 NINTH CIRCUIT CIVICS Essay and Video contest** ~ Who: Seniors Deadline: 03/07/2025  
Contest theme is "When Duty Calls: Why Exercising the Rights and Responsibilities of Citizenship is Important to Me". This contest challenges you to dive into the rights and responsibilities of being a U.S. citizen and explore deeply how they affect you and how you can affect them. Go to <https://www.ca9.uscourts.gov/civicscontest/> to submit your essay and video.

## **2024 Smart Choices Scholarship Program**

*Applications due March 14th, 2025*

Now accepting applications for the 2024 **Gesa Credit Union, Dairy Farmers of Washington, Les Schwab Tires** Smart Choices Scholarship Program which will award three (3) \$5,000 scholarships and 12 \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors from WIAA member high schools for excellence in athletics/activities, academics, leadership and community service throughout their high school careers.

Applicants are required to fill out an [2025 SMART CHOICES APPLICATION](#) that includes an essay question. Judging is based on the following criteria:

- Athletic/Activity Excellence (30%)
- Academic Achievement (30%)
- Leadership (20%)
- Citizenship/Community Service (10%)
- Originality/Creativity of the Essay (5%)
- Financial Need (5%)

### **Attention Female Seniors: Scholarships for women only. Deadline dates vary.**

The following scholarships are only available to women. While some financial aid for women may have restrictions and special requirements, this grouping is the most widely available category of scholarships for women. Each of the following college scholarships for women requires the applicant to be enrolled in a university or college program. Go to [www.thebestcolleges.org/scholarships-for-women](http://www.thebestcolleges.org/scholarships-for-women)

- Women of independence
- Stem and industry- Specific Scholarships
- Business/Finance Scholarships
- Teaching Scholarships
- Nursing Scholarships
- Scholarships for Minority
- Scholarships for Female Veterans
- Scholarships for Single Mothers

## Scholarships

<https://www.sumnersd.org/community1/overview/scholarship-listing>

- **Cascade Warbirds Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 02/29/2025*  
Are you interested in being an aviation pilot? This scholarship program is just for you. Go to [www.cascadewarbirds.org](http://www.cascadewarbirds.org) to apply.
- **Washington State School Retirees Assoc. (WSSRA)** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 03/01/2025*  
The Washington State School Retirees' Association (WSSRA) invites senior students of your school who have a GPA of 3.0 or higher to apply for the above scholarships. These awards are given to students who wish to have a career in the "field of education". Their degree could be in one of these majors: teacher, counselor, speech therapist, occupational therapist, or psychologist. Go to [www.wssra.org](http://www.wssra.org) to apply.
- **Horatio Alger Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 03/01/2025*  
Must have 2.0 GPA or higher. \$50,000 or less adjusted gross income per family. Involvement in co-curricular and community activities. Must be pursuing a 4 yr. degree. [www.horatioalger.org](http://www.horatioalger.org)
- **PNW Marine Corps Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 03/01/2025*  
Our scholarships are for children of Marines and eligible Navy Corpsmen pursuing a post-secondary education at any accredited school—whether that be a career training, trade school, community college, or four-year university. The application must be completed online at [www.mcsf.org/apply](http://www.mcsf.org/apply). Applicants will need to provide documentation electronically for all eligibility criteria (military parent's service documentation, tax document to show household income, transcript to show GPA, etc.)
- **Build A Better Future Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 03/03/2025*  
5 scholarships of 10,000 given to seniors who have implementing a design thinking community-building projects based on the LAUNCH cycle. Project can be anything that is aimed at resolving a specific issue within their community. [Click here](#) for more details
- **American Indian Endowed Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 03/03/2025*  
Student has to have close social and cultural ties to an American Indian Tribe or American Indian community in Washington. Agree to use your education to benefit other American Indians. Student must have demonstrated financial need (as determined by the college financial aid office and be a Washington State resident.) Go to [www.wsac.wa.gov](http://www.wsac.wa.gov) to apply.
- **Ewing C. Kelly Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 03/07/2025*  
Scholarship is designed to reward students who demonstrate good citizenship while striving to attain their academic goals. Applicants will be judged on their academic merit, extra-curricular achievements, both scholastically and in their community and financial need.  
**Link to the 2024 Manual Form (to print, then handwrite answers, and mail-in):**  
<http://kellyfoundationwashington.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Official-Ewing-C-Kelly-Scholarship-Application-10-02-2024.pdf>  
**Link to the 2024 Fillable Form (can type directly in the document, then print and mail in)**  
<http://kellyfoundationwashington.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Official-Ewing-C-Kelly-Scholarship-Application-10-02-2024-form.pdf>
- **Lewis –McChord Family Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 03/09/2025*  
For families of active military personnel as well as surviving family members of a service member. Living within a 50-mile radius of Joint Base Lewis-McChord. Go to [www.jblmscholarship.org](http://www.jblmscholarship.org) to apply.
- **CTE Horatio Alger Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 03/15/2025*  
Must have 2.0 GPA or higher. \$50,000 or less adjusted gross income per family. Involvement in co-curricular and community activities. Must be pursuing a 4 yr. degree. [www.horatioalger.org](http://www.horatioalger.org)

- **Ben B. Cheney Foundation Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 03/15/2025*  
Student must have participated on at least on varsity interscholastic high school sponsored athletic team. Go to [www.benbcheneyfoundation.org](http://www.benbcheneyfoundation.org)
- **2025 Norm Manly Maritime Education Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 03/24/2025*  
Student must be currently enrolled as a senior in high school. Must plan to pursue post-secondary training or education program leading to a maritime, marine science, or marine related career. Student must have at least a 2.5 GPA. Go to [www.ymta.net](http://www.ymta.net) to apply.
- **Jerry Beckendorf Community Service Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 03/27/2025*  
These scholarships are granted to students that are dedicated to community service, and who are passionate about making a meaningful impact in the society we live in.  
To be eligible, students must be a graduating senior living in Pierce County, have a parent or guardian that is a Union member, and have a record of community service. Application online at <https://www.atu758.org>
- **SAE Engineering Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Opens 1/6/2025 Deadline: 03/31/2025*  
Student intending to earn a degree in engineering or a related science (Examples of related science include: math, chemistry, physics, biology, technologies, computer science.) Visit <https://www.sae.org/participate/scholarships> for information
- **HonorsGradU Multimedia Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 04/07/2025*  
Calling Creative Voices! Honors Grad U is an educational blog dedicated to help students graduate and go to college. This is a chance for creative voices to be heard! Through art, music, photography, creative writing, or video, you can use our prompt to create and share your work for a chance at earning \$10,000 toward your tuition! Visit our website for details! [www.honorsgradu.com](http://www.honorsgradu.com)
- **Scott Banke Memorial Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 04/08/2025*  
Scholarship criteria: Student performs well academically, exemplify kindness and compassion. Exhibits leadership skills in school and community. Demonstrates Commitment to community service. Go to <https://www.seeyalater.org/wa-college-scholarships>
- **OAR Schwallie Family Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 04/21/2025*  
For a full time, student that has been diagnosed with ASD. Go to [www.researchautism.org](http://www.researchautism.org)
- **Willie Stewart Community Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 05/01/2025*  
Student who has a minimum of 100 hours Community and or Volunteer Services. Write a 500-word essay, along with a letter of recommendation. Go to <http://www.uwpc.org/scholarship> to apply.
- **Camron Nicholas Cozzi Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 05/02/2025*  
Former Bonney Lake Panther Student, Camron Cozzi was diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumor, Diffuse Intrinsic Pontine Glioma (DIPG). He passes away in March of his senior year and this scholarship is to honor his legacy. Come by the CIC to pick up the application.
- **The Edmund F. Maxwell Foundation Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 05/09/2025*  
Must be a graduating senior, resident of Western Washington, demonstrates financial need and planning on attending a private college. For more details go to [www.maxwell.org](http://www.maxwell.org)
- **Abbott and Fenner Scholarship** Who: Seniors *Deadline: 06/10/2025*  
Student must submit an essay on the topic that appears on the scholarship page of the web site: [www.abbottandfenner.com](http://www.abbottandfenner.com) Award of \$1,000.

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