

Scholarships & Financial Aid at Fishers High School

Looking for help paying for college? Here's what you need to know about scholarships, financial aid, and how to get started.

Scholarships: What to Expect

- Scholarships are usually based on **GPA, test scores (SAT/ACT), community service, or your career interests**.
 - The stronger your **resume** (grades, activities, leadership, service), the more options you'll have.
 - Scholarships are **competitive** – apply to as many as you can and put effort into every application.
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Where to Find Scholarships

Stay updated – new opportunities pop up often!

- **FHS Scholarship Guide:** [Visit the FHS website](#)
 - **Follow @FishersGuidance on X (Twitter)**
 - **Check Canvas and student announcements**
 - **Explore Naviance**
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Don't Forget Colleges Themselves

- **Colleges and universities** often offer their own scholarships.
 - Smaller, private schools may give **more aid** to balance out higher tuition. Always ask!
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Trusted Scholarship Websites

- [Fastweb](#) – one of the largest scholarship databases
 - [Scholarships.com](#)
 - Peterson's: <https://www.petersons.com/scholarship-search.aspx>
 - Unigo: <https://www.unigo.com/>
 - Sallie Mae Scholarship Search: www.SallieMae.com/ScholarshipSearch
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FAFSA: The Key to Financial Aid

The **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** opens the door to:

- Federal aid (grants, loans, work-study)
- State of Indiana aid
- Many college-specific scholarships

👉 File online at studentaid.gov. It's always **FREE!**

Important Dates

- **Opens:** October 1 every year
- **Indiana state deadline:** April 15
- **Federal deadline:** June 30 (but apply early—money can run out!)

Tip: Even if you think you won't qualify, still file. Many scholarships require a completed FAFSA.

Other Helpful Resources

- FAFSA Help: studentaid.gov/help-center/contact
 - General Aid Info: finaid.org
 - SAT, the PSAT/NMSQT, Advanced Placement Program: www.collegeboard.org/
 - ACT Test: www.actstudent.org
 - Financial Aid Calculator: www.finaid.org/calculators
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Quick Tips for Success

- Start early—don't wait until spring.
 - Stay organized: keep deadlines and essays in one place.
 - Ask your **guidance counselor** for help—we're here for you!
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💡 **Remember:** Scholarships = free money. FAFSA = the first step. The more you apply, the more chances you'll have!