Scholarship Update: Week of December 1, 2025

Please remember to visit the AC Flora School Counseling Website for a list of ALL scholarships that are available.

https://www.richlandone.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=5323

Here are a few we thought you might be interested in:

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Dream Keeper Scholarship Awards
Eligibility:
Applicants must be:
Eligibility:

- Applicants must be age 18 or younger, and enrolled in a Richland School District One elementary, middle or high school.
- 3.0 GPA or higher
- Nominees MUST attend the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Celebration, Monday, January 19, 2026, at 4 pm at the Martin Luther King Jr. Park and Community Center
- Meet all eligibility requirements as stated on the application

Award Amount: $1,000(1st); $500 (2nd); $250(3rd)
To Apply: https://parksandrec.columbiasc.gov/test-page/2024-mlk-dream-keeper-scholarship-awards/
Deadline: December 5, 2025

Lyceum Scholars Program
Eligibility:

- The Lyceum Scholars Program is open to incoming freshmen at Clemson University. Scholars study the original works of western political thought and engage with foundational questions such as the nature of justice and what it means to live in a free society.
- Must complete a separate application.

Award Amount: up to $20000 a year
To Apply: https://www.clemson.edu/centers-institutes/capitalism/lyceum/scholars.html
Deadline: December 7, 2025

Burger King Scholarship
Eligibility:

- Be living in the United States, Canada or Puerto Rico
- Be graduating high school seniors (U.S. and Puerto Rico), graduating from grade 12 (Canada) or graduating from home school education in the U.S., Puerto Rico or Canada
- Have a cumulative high school grade point average of 2.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale, or the equivalent
- Plan to enroll full-time, without interruption, for the entire 2025-26 academic year at an accredited two- or four-year college, university or vocational-technical school or CEGEP or equivalent in the U.S., Puerto Rico, Guam or Canada

Award Amount: awards ranging from $1000 - $60,000
To Apply: https://www.burgerkingfoundation.org/programs/burger-king-sm-scholars
Deadline: December 15, 2025

Palmetto State School Counselor Association Scholarship
Eligibility:

- Must be a high school senior attending a public or private school in South Carolina
- Must be a permanent resident of the state of South Carolina
- Must plan to attend a post-secondary institution during the 2025-2026 school year

Award Amount: $1000
To Apply: https://pssca.schoolcounselorawards.org/scoy/other-awards
Deadline: December 15, 2025

National Colaition of 100 Black Women, Inc. Columbia Chapter 2026 Scholarship
Eligibility:

- Applicant **must** reside in Richland School District 1 or Richland School District 2.
- Applicant **must** be a female graduating high school in May 2026 or June 2026.
- A minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 unweighted scale is **required.**
- Applicant must attend an accredited college, university, or other higher learning institution.
- Applicant must have digital signatures included on the last page of the application to be considered complete.

Important Items to Note:

- Scholarship winners must attend the Chapter's Annual Sheroes Scholarships & Awards Luncheon on Satuarday, April 25, 2026.
- The scholarship awards will be presented to the recipients by August 1, 2026, upon verification of enrollment provided to the scholarship committee. This includes a picture/screenshot from the student portal, including student's photo, student id#, and class schedule.

Award Amount: (5) $1000
To Apply: https://form.jotform.com/252907115663054
Deadline: December 19, 2025

Sallie Mae Scholarship
Eligibility:

- All applicants should:
  - Legal resident of the 50 United States, the District of Columbia and any US Territory
  - age 16 or older at the time of entry, and who meet one (1) of the four (4) following eligibility requirements at the time of entry:

    1. A parent who currently has a child enrolled in an accredited college or university located within the United States;
    2. A student who is currently enrolled in an accredited college or university located within the United States;

3. A parent who currently has a child enrolled as a high school junior or senior located within the United States;
4. A student who is currently enrolled as a high school junior or senior who intends to enroll in an accredited college or university located with the United States, within a year of graduating high school.

Award Amount: $2000
To Apply: https://www.salliemae.com/scholarships/2k-scholarship/?dtd_cell=SMPLSODCZPPSOTOTOTHOTHRN010000&utm_source=studentscholarships&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=acq1p_ss_s_u_u_sch_u_u&utm_content=app
Deadline: December 31, 2025

College is Power Scholarship
Eligibility:

- All applicants should:
  - age 17 years or older who plan to start a program of higher education within the next 12 months
  - Applicants must be citizens or permanent residents of the United States.

Award Amount: $1000
To Apply: https://www.collegeispower.com/scholarship.cfm
Deadline: December 31, 2025

Ted and Holly Rollins Scholarship
Eligibility:
Applicants must be:
Eligibility:

- Scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors based on the most compelling stories -- regarding their life story, their intended field of study, career and how they will make an impact on the world.
- Minimum 500-word essay required

Award Amount: $5,000
To Apply: https://www.rollinsscholarship.org/scholarship-application
Deadline: December 31, 2025

2025 Regions Riding Forward Scholarship Contest
Eligibility:
For purposes of this contest:

- The "Eligible States" are defined as the following states: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee and Texas.
- An "accredited college" is defined as a nonprofit, two- or four-year undergraduate college or university located within one of the fifty (50) United States or the District of Columbia.

To be eligible to enter this contest and to win an award in a Quarterly Contest, at the time of entry, you must:

- Be a legal U.S. resident of one of the Eligible States.
- Be age 16 or older.
- Have at least one (1) year (or at least 18 semester hours) remaining before your undergraduate college graduation.
- If you are not yet in college, begin your freshman year of college no later than the start of the 2026 – 2027 college academic school year.
- As of your most recent school enrollment period, have a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 in school (and if no GPA is provided at school, be in "good standing" or the equivalent thereof in school).

*Quarterly Contest prizes must be fully used by the end of the 2026 – 2027 college academic school year, and must be used toward tuition and other undergraduate college-related expenses at an accredited college. Quarterly Contest prizes may not be used toward graduate school (post graduate) tuition or other post-undergraduate program expenses.

Award Amount: $8000

To Apply: https://www.gwcf.org/scholarship
Deadline: December 31, 2025

Silver Pen Writing Competition
Eligibility:
Applicants must be:

- All high school seniors who live or attend school within 25 miles of the community they are applying to
- Community employees and children of employees
- Residents limited families – grand (great grand) children, nieces and nephews (grand nieces and nephews)
- Complete all portions of the application
- Essays which do not meet the following guidelines will be disqualified:
    - Essay must be at least 1000 words excluding cover page and works cited.
    - Essay must include a cover page and works cited.
    - Essay must be double spaced.
    - Essay must be submitted before deadline.
    - Essay must be the applicant's original work.
    - Essay must follow the prompt given.
    - Essay must have been written by the student without the use of AI.
        - **All essays will be checked using an AI tester.**
        - **Any essay written by AI will be immediately disqualified.**

Award Amount: (1st Place) $2,500; (2nd Place) $1250
To Apply: https://silverpen-slc.com/
Deadline: January 4, 2026

GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship Program
Eligibility:
- All applicants should:

- Demonstrate at school, the workplace, and within the community the attributes of leadership, integrity, drive, and citizenship
- Demonstrate strong academic performance (minimum 3.0 grade point average/4.0 scale or equivalent)
- Be citizens of the United States of America
- Be current high school seniors attending high school in the United States, or any of the U.S. territories and commonwealths, and graduating in winter 2025 or spring 2026. Homeschooled applicants and applicants living on a U.S. Armed Forces base and attending high school outside the U.S. are eligible.
- Plan to enroll in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited four-year college or university in the United States for the entire 2026-2027 academic year

Award Amount: up to $40,000
To Apply: https://www.reaganfoundation.org/education/scholarships/
Deadline: January 5, 2026

Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship
Eligibility:

- All applicants should:
  - Be a graduating, minority high school Senior
  - Be a United States citizen
  - Present evidence of financial need
  - Demonstrate a record of academic excellence
  - Demonstrate leadership potential and a dedication to community service
  - Plan to attend an accredited and JRF approved 4-year college within the United States of affiliated with a United States-based college of university
  - Have not accrued more than 25% of credits needed to graduate from college
  - Complete all application requirements.

Award Amount: up to $35,000 over four years
To Apply: https://jackierobinson.org/scholarship/
Deadline: January 7, 2026

Live Mas Scholarship Program
Eligibility:

•Age: 16 - 26 as of deadline (Jan 6, 2026, 5:00 PM PT).
• Residency: Legal resident of the 50 U.S. states or D.C.
• Education: Intent to apply, applying to or enrolled in an accredited 2- or 4-year college, trade, vocational, or technical program.
• Taco Bell Employees & non-employees: both welcome

Award Amount: (number of awards vary) $5,000- $25,000
To Apply: https://apply.mykaleidoscope.com/scholarships/livemas2026
Deadline: January 6, 2026

The Profile in Courage Essay Contest
Eligibility:

- Student must be a United States high school students in grades nine through twelve attending public, private, parochial, or home schools; U.S. students under the age of twenty enrolled in a high school correspondence/GED program in any of the fifty states, the District of Columbia, or the U.S. territories; and U.S. citizens attending schools overseas.
- Employees of sponsors and members of their families are not eligible to participate.
- All portions of the application and essay must be complete.
    - Essays can be no more than 1,000 words but must be a minimum of 700 words. Citations and bibliography are not included in the word count.
    - Essays must be the original work of the student. Essays may be checked for AI assistance and are disqualified if AI is detected at any point in the essay or bibliography.
    - Essays must have a minimum of five sources.
- Essays should not include identifying information about the author.
- Student must have a nominating teacher throughout the essay process.

Award Amount: (1st place) $10.000; (2nd Place) $3000; (3 finalist)$1000
To Apply: https://www.jfklibrary.org/learn/education/profile-in-courage-essay-contest/getting-started
Deadline: January 12, 2026

South Carolina Junior Golf Foundation Scholarships
Eligibility:

- All applicants should:
    - Must be a resident of South Carolina
    - Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale through the spring 2022 semester
    - Must attend demonstrate community involvement through service/volunteer work
    - Must have a competitive or recreational interest in golf
    - Must demonstrate financial need

Award Amount: varies
To Apply: https://www.scholarshipprograms.org/golf/
Deadline: January 15, 2026

Mensa Foundation Scholarship
Eligibility:

- Only one application is allowed per student in this scholarship competition.
- Applicants must intend to enroll in an accredited educational institution for the 2025-26 academic year.
- Applicants must complete all required information on the entry form. Complete the online application form via the Mensa Foundation's Award Spring scholarship portal.
- Essays must be the applicants' original work and no more than 550 words in length.
- Applicants' names, addresses, and other identifying information **must not** be included in their essays.

- By submitting the form electronically via our website, applicants provide their digital signature certifying that their information and essays are their own work and that they have read these rules and guidelines.
- Applications must be submitted online on or before 11:59 p.m., CST (Central Standard Time) January 15, 2026, or 05:59 a.m. GMT (Greenwich Mean Time), on January 16, 2026.

Award Amount: awards more then $200,000 each year through various scholarships
To Apply: https://www.mensafoundation.org/what-we-do/scholarships/
Deadline: January 15, 2026

The Washington Crossing Foundation Scholarship
Eligibility:

- High School Senior
- US Citizen
- Planning on a career in service to the United States in local, state, or federal government.
- All portions of the application and essay must be complete, including:
    - Essays
    - Letter of recommendation (from Principal or School Counselor)
    - Resume
    - Transcript
    - Test Scores
    - Additional information explained in the application.

Award Amount: (24 in 2025) from $1000 to $10000 (non-renewable)
To Apply: https://www.gwcf.org/scholarship
Deadline: January 15, 2026

Penguin Random House Creative Writing Scholarship
Eligibility:

- Be current high school seniors at a public high school in the United States graduating Spring of 2026
- Be 21 years of age and under
- Plan to enroll in an accredited two-year or four-year college, university, or approved vocational-technical school Fall 2026
- Submit one original literary composition in English in one of the following genres of poetry, spoken word, fiction, personal essay/memoir, or book bans prompt.
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        - All submissions must be typed, double-spaced with a minimum 12 point font size and no longer than 10 pages.
        - All submissions with multiple pages must be numbered with a page number and total number of pages (Ex. 1/3, 2/3, 3/3).
        - A four-page minimum is recommended for the fiction genre.
        - Spoken word entries must upload a typed entry along with an emailed audio format file.

- Only one entry per student may be submitted and considered.
- Freedom of Expression entries must write about the provided topic:

Book bans are on the rise in America, driven by new laws and regulations limiting the kinds of books young people can access—and books by and/or about LGBTQIA+ and BIPOC communities are disproportionately targeted. Penguin Random House and We Need Diverse Books believe books change lives, and that everyone deserves to see themselves in a book.

Freedom of Expression Prompt: In the face of these book bans and attacks on free expression, we are celebrating the power of books and stories. Tell us about one banned book that changed your life and why.

- ***Only the first 1,000 applications will be accepted.***
- ***Family members, employees of Bertelsmann, Penguin Random House, its subsidiaries, divisions or affiliates are ineligible.***
- ***Entries that have won previous awards are not eligible.***

Award Amount: (6) $10000 (over 4 years)

To Apply: https://scholarshipamerica.org/scholarship/penguinrandomhouse/
Deadline: January 15, 2026

FOSSI STEM Scholarship
Eligibility:

- Be a citizen or legal permanent resident of the United States
- Complete or have completed high school with a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (unweighted) and be entering their freshman year of college
- Pursue studies in a pertinent chemical and engineering industry STEM field. See preferred majors
- Attend an HBCU for the entirety of their college education
- Have interest in pursuing a career in chemical manufacturing, engineering, environmental health and sustainability or other related chemical-industry fields
- Demonstrate financial need

Award Amount: up to $40,000
To Apply: https://futureofstemscholars.org/FOSSI/apply#p-47111
Deadline: January 15, 2026

Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship
Eligibility:

- Planning to pursue a bachelor's degree in computer science, software engineering, computer engineering, mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, robotics, or other computer science related field of study and are planning to attend an accredited 4-year college or university in the United States (or an accredited 2-year college, with the intent to transfer to a 4-year institution).
- If you have taken computer science or hardware engineering classes in high school or at a college dual program, or currently be enrolled in one.
    - Examples include:
        - International Baccalaureate Computer Science Course
        - Advanced Placement (AP) Computer Science

        - A or AP Computer Science Principles
        - Computer science through a college dual enrollment program
        - Engineering
        - Robotics
        - Physical Computing
        - Design Mechanics
        - Computer Manufacturing
        - Aerospace Engineering
        - If you have not, you can take a qualifying exam offered by Amazon.
- **Be a high school senior with a 2.3 cumulative GPA**
- Be a United States citizens, United States permanent residents (holders of a Permanent Resident Card), or Employment Authorized to work in the United States. Employment authorization must be valid for at least 2 years.

Award Amount: up to $40,000
To Apply: https://scholarshipamerica.org/amazonfutureengineer/
Deadline: January 16, 2026

Harry Hampton Scholarship
Eligibility:

- All applicants should:
    - The applicant must be a full time resident of South Carolina and a senior in a public or private high school in South Carolina.
    - The recipient must attend an institution of higher learning in South Carolina.
    - The recipient must have a major in the natural resources discipline such as: wildlife biology, fisheries biology, forestry, marine science or environmental science to qualify.(NOTE: General biology, pre-medical biology and veterinary science are NOT eligible for this scholarship.)
    - The recipient must maintain a GPA of 2.5 or above for a given academic year to receive funds for the following year. If the GPA falls below the 2.5 average for any academic year, the student will not receive any further funds, and a new recipient will be sought.

Award Amount: $5,000 (yearly for 4 years)
To Apply: https://hamptonwildlifefund.org/scholarships/
Deadline: January 30, 2026

Thomas Webster Hardwick Jr. Scholarship:
Eligibility:

- All applicants should:
    - The applicant must be a full time resident of South Carolina and a senior in a public or private high school in South Carolina.
    - The recipient must attend an institution of higher learning in South Carolina.
    - The recipient must have a major in the natural resources discipline such as: wildlife biology, fisheries biology, forestry, marine science or environmental science to qualify.(NOTE: General biology, pre-medical biology and veterinary science are NOT eligible for this scholarship.)

- The recipient must maintain a GPA of 2.5 or above for a given academic year to receive funds for the following year. If the GPA falls below the 2.5 average for any academic year, the student will not receive any further funds, and a new recipient will be sought.

Award Amount: $5,000 (yearly for 4 years)
To Apply: https://hamptonwildlifefund.org/scholarships/
Deadline: January 30, 2026

Wallace F. Pate Scholarship
Eligibility:

- All applicants should:
  - Be a South Carolina graduating Senior
  - Complete application fully
  - Plan to further education in the natural resources discipline such as wildlife biology, fisheries biology, forestry, or marine or environmental science

Award Amount: $2,500 (for 1 year)
To Apply: https://hamptonwildlifefund.org/scholarships/
Deadline: January 30, 2026

David M. Cline Scholarship
Eligibility:

- All applicants should:
  - Be a South Carolina graduating Senior
  - Complete application fully
  - Plan to further education in law enforcement/criminal justice/forensic science

Award Amount: $2,000 (yearly for 1 year)
To Apply: www.hamptonwildlifefund.org/scholarship.html
Deadline: January 30, 2026

James O. Thomason Scholarship
Eligibility:

- All applicants should:
  - Be a South Carolina graduating Senior
  - Complete application fully
  - Plan to further education in electronic, print or photo journalism, advertising, public relations, or mass communications
  - The recipient must maintain a GPA of 2.5 or above for a given academic year to receive funds for the following year. If the GPA falls below the 2.5 average for any academic year, the student will not receive any further funds, and a new recipient will be sought.

Award Amount: $2,000 (yearly for 4 years)
To Apply: www.hamptonwildlifefund.org/scholarship.html
Deadline: January 30, 2026

Daughter's of the American Revolution (DAR) Scholarship
Eligibility:

- All applicants should:
  - An applicant must be a United States (US) citizen. Proof of US citizenship includes the following documents: a US birth certificate, a current US passport, or government-issued naturalization papers.
  - An applicant must attend or plan to attend an accredited college or university in the United States.
  - Please review each scholarship's description for specific eligibility criteria

Award Amount: varies (multiple scholarships available)
To Apply: https://dar.academicworks.com
Deadline: January 31, 2026

THE GARDEN CLUB OF SOUTH CAROLINA, INC. SCHOLARSHIPS
(9 different scholarships available)
Eligibility:

- All applicants should:
- Must be a U S citizen and and meet requirements as a South Carolina resident.
- International, foreign exchange, and doctoral program students are not eligible.
- Must be enrolled as a full time student with a minimum of 12 graded hours of classes as an undergraduate and 9 graded hours of classes as a graduate student.
- Must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale.
  (Exception Pearl Fryer Award GPA is 2.5 on a 4 point scale}

SELECTION CRITERIA

- All applications received by GCSC Chairman will be judged by that chairman and a committee of 8 in order to choose the winning applications.
- After judging is complete at the state level the SAR and NGC Scholarship Chairmen will receive their application by March 1 for judging.
- The following Sample Scale of Points may be used for evaluation of each application.
  Academic Record 40%
  Applicant's Essay 25%
  List of Honors/ Extracurricular Activities/ Work 13%
  Financial Need 15%
  Recommendations 5%
  Conformance 2%
- GCSC will notify all applicants in writing of the committee's decisions on or before March 15. Winners will be honored at the April GCSC State Meeting.
- Applicants who continue to maintain a 3.0 average are encouraged to apply next year.

Award Amount: range from $500 - $2,000
To Apply: https://gardenclubofsc.org/Scholarships ; the AC Flora School Counseling Office, Class of 2023 Schoology page
Deadline: February 1, 2026

SME Education Foundation Scholarship
Eligibility:

- **One application can apply you for multiple scholarships**
- Must be a permanent resident or citizen of the United States or Canada.
- Must have minimum of 2.0/4.0 GPA or higher.
- Must be on a path toward an associate, bachelor's or graduate degree in manufacturing engineering, technology, or closely related field at an accredited college or university in the United States or Canada.

Award Amount: varies
To Apply: https://www.smeef.org/sme-education-foundation-scholarships/scholarship-opportunities/
Deadline: February 1, 2026

Archibald Rutledge Scholarship Program
Eligibility:

- Complete all requirements to apply Students must currently be enrolled in twelfth grade in a public school in South Carolina.
- Students must plan to attend a South Carolina college or university.
- Students must be a U.S. citizen and have attended public school in South Carolina for the past two years.
- Students may only apply for one scholarship.
- **What is it?** The Archibald Rutledge Scholarship program, named for South Carolina's first poet laureate, offers twelfth-grade students (enrolled in a public school in South Carolina) the opportunity to compete for a scholarship in creative writing, dance, music, theatre, or visual arts as well as encourages and recognizes academic and artistic excellence among South Carolina students.
- **What does the program include**? Students will mail or deliver original compositions, process folios, and other required documentation in one of the five arts disciplines (creative writing, dance, music, theatre, or visual arts) to the South Carolina Department of Education.

Award Amount: (5) $2000 scholarships available
To Apply: https://ed.sc.gov/instruction/standards-learning/grants-and-awards/archibald-rutledge-scholarship-program/
Deadline: February 2, 2026

Kitty M. Fairey Educational Fund Scholarship
Eligibility:

- All applicants should:
  - Be enrolled or plan to enroll to a full-time accredited college or university in the state of South Carolina
  - A cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
  - Demonstrate financial need

Award Amount: varies
To Apply: https://www.csascholars.org/kmfr/
Deadline: February 5, 2026

James F. Byrnes Foundation Scholarships
Eligibility:

To be eligible for the James F. Byrnes Scholarship, a student must meet the following qualifications:

• have one or both parents deceased
• be a United States citizen and a South Carolina resident
• have need of financial assistance to attend college
• be a current senior in high school
• have a satisfactory academic record
• plan to pursue a bachelor's degree at an accredited four-year college or university

Award Amount: $4500, renewable for four years
To Apply: https://www.byrnesscholars.org/index.php
Deadline: February 6, 2026 (mailed to the address requested) **(OPENS DECEMBER 5, 2025)**

SC Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities Annual Journalism Contest
Eligibility:

- All applicants should:
  - must be a South Carolinian 16 to 19 years old;
    • must not have entered a post-secondary school before March 1, 2026; and
    • must be a high school senior, or otherwise qualified to begin post-secondary education no later than the 2026-2027 school year.
  - You do not have to have a disability to enter.
  - Student must verify financial need

Award Amount: 4 year scholarship to the South Carolina state- supported institution of his/her choice if the winner meets all qualifications for acceptance to the college/university

- **To Apply:** https://www.scvrd.net/172/Annual-Journalism-Contest

Deadline: February 6, 2026

McDonalds HACER National Scholarship
Eligibility:

- You're a high school senior
- You're a legal U.S. resident or a DREAMER/DACA recipient
- You're younger than 21 years old
- You carry a minimum 2.8 GPA
- You're eligible to attend a two- or four-year college or university with a full-time course of study
- You'll disclose other scholarship programs that you've applied for
- You'll enroll and attend an accredited institution in the academic year after your selection (verification needed, as scholarship funds are paid directly to the schools)
- You must turn in all required paperwork.

Award Amount: 30 overall scholarships; amount varies from $5000 - $100,000
To Apply: https://www.mcdonalds.com/us/en-us/community/hacer.html
Deadline: February 17, 2026

Act of Kindness Scholarship

- **Eligibility:**

Applicants must:

- Be currently enrolled or plan to be enrolled part-time or full-time in an accredited U.S. college or university. Vocational/technical, two-year, four-year, or graduate institutions are eligible.
- Be a high school junior or senior, undergraduate student, or graduate student
- Have a grade point average of 2.5 or above on a 4.0 system
- Recipients must provide an official transcript confirming their reported GPA and proof of enrollment. No transcript or proof of enrollment is required until after students are selected as winners.

Award Amount: $1000
To Apply: https://www.parent-volunteer.org/act-of-kindness-scholarship
Deadline: February 28, 2026

Engebretson Foundation Scholarship
Eligibility:
Applicants must be:

- Be a graduating senior from a United States high school.
- Plan to attend a four year college.
- Be in need of financial assistance in order to attend a four year college.
- Have achieved a score of 28 composite or higher on the ACT exam (or at least 1240 on the SAT).
- Have achieved at least a 3.75 GPA or above and/or top 5% of graduating class.
- Have applied for federal financial aid and have already received back the Student Aid Report that contains your Expected Family Contribution (EFC); see Filing for FAFSA.

PLEASE NOTE:

- Applicant does not have to be Pell eligible to qualify for the scholarship.
- Students obtaining dual enrollment credits while in high school are still eligible to apply.
- Due to the number of applications received, the Engebretson Foundation will only notify the winning recipient.

Award Amount: (1) $10,000
To Apply: https://www.engebretsonfoundation.org/
Deadline: March 1, 2026 (opens January 1)

USPAACC Scholarship
Eligibility:

- High school senior
- Citizen or permanent resident of the United States
- Beginning full-time study at an accredited post-secondary educational institution in the United States in Fall 2026
- Academic achievement of 3.3 GPA or higher
- Leadership in extracurricular activities
- Involvement in community service
- Financial need

Award Amount: 10 to 20 ($3,000 - $5000)
To Apply: https://celebrasianconference.com/scholarships
Deadline: March 2, 2026

Central Carolina Community Foundation Scholarship Opportunity
Eligibility:
o All applicants should:
- Complete ONE online application to be entered into multiple scholarship opportunities
- Review Scholarship opportunities at: https://www.yourfoundation.org/grants-scholarships/scholarships/scholarship-descriptions/
- Transcript, Personal statement, completed application, 2 recommendations, and family income information
- **There is one scholarship specifically for AC Flora seniors.**

Award Amount: 200 scholarships valued at $550,000
To Apply: https://www.yourfoundation.org/grants-scholarships/scholarships/
Deadline: March 5, 2026 **(Application opens January 1, 2026)**

Woman's Western Golf Foundation
Eligibility:
To be eligible to apply for a Women's Western Scholarship, applicants must be a woman high school senior and meet the following requirements:

- Active participant in the sport of golf (golf ability is not a criterion for selection)
- Have a 3.5 GPA or above on a 4.0 scale
- Be outstanding in character, integrity and leadership
- Require financial assistance to attend a four-year college in the USA

Award Amount: 20 ($5,000 yearly)
To Apply: https://www.wwga.org/scholarships
Deadline: March 7, 2026

Altruism & All Good Deeds Scholarship
- **Eligibility:**

Applicants must:
- Be currently enrolled or plan to be enrolled part-time or full-time in an accredited U.S. college or university. Vocational/technical, two-year, four-year, or graduate institutions are eligible.
- Be a high school junior or senior, undergraduate student, or graduate student
- Have a grade point average of 2.5 or above on a 4.0 system
- Recipients must provide an official transcript confirming their reported GPA and proof of enrollment. No transcript or proof of enrollment is required until after students are selected as winners.

Award Amount: $1000
To Apply: https://www.parent-volunteer.org/a-a-altruism-all-good-deeds-scholarship
Deadline: May 31, 2026

Big Sun Athletics Scholarship

Eligibility

- All student athletes are eligible regardless of the sport they are engaged in or the capacity in which they participate. The student must be a high school senior or be attending a post secondary institute.
- Please remember to include your name and the name of the school that you are attending.
- Complete the essay

Award: $500
Apply: https://bigsunathletics.com/
Deadline: June 19. 2026

South Carolina Workforce Industry Needs Scholarship
Eligibility:

- A statewide technical college scholarship program designed to address workforce shortages in South Carolina
- *The scholarship covers any remaining tuition, fees, and required course-related expenses left after applying all other scholarships or grants.*
- **Programs**
  A student must pursue a professional certificate, industry-recognized credential (IRC), diploma or degree from one of the SC Technical College System's 16 colleges. Students can receive the SC•WINS for only one certificate, diploma or degree unless the additional certificate, diploma or degree constitutes progress in the same field of study.
- **Criteria**
  Qualifying students must:
  - Be a South Carolina resident
  - Be enrolled in an eligible program
  - Meet one of the following criteria:
  - Be employed,
  - Take a financial literacy course offered at the technical college, or
  - Complete 100 hours of voluntary time contributing to a nonprofit or public service organization
  - **GPA/Continued Eligibility**
    All credit-seeking students must maintain a 2.0 GPA each academic year.
  - **Changing Majors**
    Changing majors is allowed within the acceptable disciplines in workforce program areas.
  - **Covered Expenses**
    Recipients can receive up to $5,000 per academic year after applying all other scholarships or grants. The scholarship may cover the cost of tuition, fees, and course-related expenses.
- Visit your local technical college for more information