

Scholarship -- State & National

A list of current scholarship opportunities sent to the guidance office follows (listed by due date). **Further information and applications may be obtained from Ms. Huset, school counselor, or Mrs. Hillman, guidance administrative assistant.** Students are also encouraged to seek out scholarship opportunities from other sources. Most public and private colleges offer scholarships to students planning to attend their institution. Some of the schools send information on awards and criteria to our guidance office. Information may also be obtained directly from the individual college.

REMINDER! CHECK OUT YOUR COLLEGE'S FINANCIAL AID WEBPAGE FOR INFORMATION ON SCHOLARSHIPS THAT THEY PROVIDE TO INCOMING FRESHMAN. DEADLINES VARY.

There are a number of free scholarship search sites on the internet. Some of the better and more common ones are: [Fastweb](#), [Scholarships](#), and [Schoolsoup](#).

You may also want to check for scholarships at your workplace, civic organizations and clubs. Many companies and organizations offer scholarships for their employees and for children of their employees.

Students attending MATC should note: The New Student [Scholarship Application](#) is now available online.

[Free Application for Federal Student Aid \(FAFSA\)](#)

[FAFSA4caster](#)--FAFSA4caster will help you get an early start on the financial aid process by providing you with an early estimate of your eligibility for federal student aid. In addition, FAFSA4caster will increase your knowledge of the financial aid process and provide information about other sources of aid.

Scholarships Listed by Deadline Date

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP

[Portage Elks Lodge #675—Technical College Scholarship](#)—Any Wisconsin resident who is currently (or will be within the next academic year) pursuing an eligible Vocational/Technical program in a 2-year Wisconsin Technical College. Deadline is December 1, 2017.

[Divine Savior Medical Staff Scholarship](#)—A \$1,000 scholarship is offered to area high school graduating seniors who have attained academic excellence, with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher, and exhibit involvement in community and extracurricular activities. Deadline is February 28, 2018.

[Portage USBC Association Women Scholarship](#)—A scholarship in the amount of \$500 will be awarded to a graduating senior whose mother/grandmother is a 2017-18 member of Portage USBC Association or the applicant is a 2017-18 member of the Portage Junior Bowling League. Also to qualify, parent(s), grandparent(s), and/or junior bowler must have bowled at least 21 games and be in good standings with the league and association. Application must be postmarked by April 1, 2018.

[Marvin & Darlene Raimer Memorial Scholarship](#)— A scholarship in the amount of \$500 will be awarded to a graduating senior whose parent(s)/grandparent(s) is/are a 2017-18 member of Portage USBC Association or the applicant is a 2017-18 member of the Portage Junior Bowling League. Also to qualify, parent(s), grandparent(s) and/or junior bowler must have bowled at least 21 games and be in good standings with the league and association. Application must be postmarked by April 1, 2018.

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The Pardeeville FFA Alumni Scholarship—Two scholarships will be awarded for \$300 each, and will be payable upon the completion of the first semester of college or vocational school. Applicant must be a senior from Pardeeville High School and an FFA member, be accepted to an accredited university, college, or vocational school, and have maintained a satisfactory scholastic record in school. Application deadline: Must be in guidance office prior to April 7, 2018 (Saturday).

Marcellon-Courtland-Springvale Mutual Insurance Company Scholarship—Applicant's parent/guardian must have a Marcellon Courtland-Springvale Mutual Insurance Company policy in force one year prior to application deadline. The applicant must be a Freshman/Sophomore in college or a graduating Senior or GED equivalent (in current year) and has maintained a 2.75 high school GPA. More information is available on the application. Application must be received by or postmarked by April 30th of the current year.

Steve Thomas Memorial Scholarship—One \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a senior planning to enter one of the following programs in a **technical school**: Diesel and Heavy Equipment Technician; Motorcycle, Marine and Outdoor Products; Welding; Agriculture Equipment Technology. Related Programs will also be considered. **Award will be issued upon the successful completion of the first semester, with proof of second semester registration.** Deadline is May 1, 2018.

Crawford Oil and Propane Valedictorian Scholarship—One \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to the Valedictorian (no application needed). Award will be issued upon proof of completion of the first semester and enrollment of second consecutive semester.

Steve Thomas Salutatorian Scholarship—One \$500 scholarship will be awarded to the Salutatorian (no application needed). **Award will be issued upon the successful completion of the first semester, with proof of second semester registration.**

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Coca-Cola Scholarship—“The Coca-Cola Scholars Program Scholarship is an achievement-based scholarship awarded to graduating high school seniors. Students are recognized for their capacity to lead and serve, as well as their commitment to making a significant impact on their schools and communities.” Deadline for submission is 5 p.m. Eastern on Tuesday, October 31, 2017.

2018 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards—The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program recognizes youth exclusively on volunteer community service. The recipient will receive an award of \$1,000, an engraved silver medallion, and an all-expense-paid trip with a parent or guardian to Washington, D.C. Deadline is November 7, 2017.

Wisconsin Elks Association Most Valuable Student (MVS) Scholarship—“The MVS scholarship is available to high school seniors who are United States citizens. Applicants do not need to be related to a member of the Elks. Applicants are judged on scholarship, leadership and financial need. The application is completed online and must be submitted by the November 27, 2017, deadline.”

Madison College Foundation New Student Scholarships—Spring 2018 Scholarship Applications will be open October 9 – December 1, 2017. Log into your myMadison College account to apply. Once logged in you will see a ‘Foundation Scholarships’ section, follow the link and apply for scholarships by completing the general application. Requirements to apply:

- Complete the Madison College Admissions Application
- Be accepted into a program
- Have a 2.0 GPA or higher

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- Be enrolled in 6 or more credits
- Complete a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
- Upload one letter of recommendation
- Upload high school transcripts.

AXA Achievement Scholarship—“Scholarship offers college scholarships of \$2,500, \$10,000 and \$25,000 to high school seniors who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in their activities in school, the community or the workplace.” AXA will be accepting applications from September 5, 2017 – December 15, 2017.

Engineers Foundation Of Wisconsin Scholarships—The EFW “scholarships are available to graduating high school seniors who plan to study engineering at a four-year ABET accredited program leading to a baccalaureate degree I engineering and intend to enter the profession of engineering upon graduation.” Scholarships are valued at \$2,000 each. All applications should be postmarked no later than Monday, December 18, 2017.

ACT Student Champion Award—“Award recognizes one student in each state who is tenacious and persistent, no matter the challenge, and is prepared for life after high school with a goal in mind and plan in place. ACT Student Champions receive a \$500 non-renewable scholarship, certificate, plaque, and state-level recognition.” Applicant should have taken the ACT and meet the following criteria: a student who has overcome challenges and can articulate education and career actions; students must have a composite ACT score of a 22 on a single test date or a 3.0 or greater on a 4.0 scale; and preference will be given to underrepresented and/or first-generation college students. Deadline is December 31, 2017.

FIRE (Foundation for Individual Rights in Education) Scholarship—One \$10,000 first prize, one \$5,000 second prize, and three \$1,000 runner-up prizes will be awarded for the best essays. Four \$500 winners will be chosen from the remaining entrants in a drawing. Free Speech Essay Contest (between 800-1,000 words) is open to juniors and seniors in U.S. high schools. Deadline is December 31, 2017.

Rove Pest Control Scholarship—“This scholarship opportunity is open to high school students and graduates *nationwide* in the United States of America who have been accepted to a college or university. This award will be presented to a United States student for the following academic year in the amount of \$500.00 and will be paid at the beginning of the fall semester (2018). The online scholarship application deadline is December 31, 2017.

WLCA (Wisconsin Landscape Contractors Association Scholarship)—“The goal of this scholarship fund is to support students who have demonstrated a successful track record of academic achievement in landscape or horticultural related studies.” Deadline is December 31, 2017

The Washington Crossing Foundation—The Washington Crossing Foundation is offering a scholarship to students completing twelfth (or final high school year) in 2018 who are planning careers in government service. Each interested student is invited to write a one-page essay stating why her/she plans a career in government service including any inspiration to be derived from the leadership of George Washington in his famous crossing of the Delaware. Deadline is January 15, 2018.

The Foundation of WATDA (Wisconsin Automobile & Truck Dealers Association) Technician Scholarship—WATDA welcomes your application for an Automotive, Diesel, Auto Collision or Motorcycle Technician. Amount varies. Deadline is January 16, 2018.

Healthcare Leaders Scholarship—“The Healthcare Leaders Scholarship is offered to students entering or currently pursuing an educational program related to nursing or medicine. Applicant must be a U.S. citizen, at least 17 years of age, and have a GPA of 3.0 or higher. All applicants must submit a 600-1,000-word essay. All applications must be received by January 29, 2018.

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[WEAC \(Wisconsin Education Association Council\) Scholarship](#)—“Scholarship winners will receive grants of \$1,450 per year for four years of college or university study, if they remain eligible. Only high school seniors are eligible to apply, and only if a parent qualifies in one of these membership categories: an active WEAC member, an active retired member, or a parent who died while holding a WEAC membership. In addition, the student must rank in the top 25% of his or her class or have achieved a 3.0 cumulative grade point average (based on a non-weighted 4.0 scale) at the time of application, plan to pursue an education major or minor, and intend to teach in Wisconsin.” Deadline is February 1, 2018

[Wisconsin Professional Police Association Scholarship](#)—“Any Wisconsin resident enrolling in a college or vocational/technical school in a course of study leading to a two- or four-year degree in police science, criminal justice, or a law enforcement-related field – which does not include law school – is eligible.” Deadline is February 1, 2018.

[VFW Auxiliary Continuing Education Scholarship](#)—VFW Auxiliary is offering this scholarship to assist member and their immediate family members who wish to further their education by pursuing a college degree or career direction at a vocational/technical school. Four \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded. Deadline is February 15, 2018.

[Mediacom World Class Scholars Scholarship Program](#)—Mediacom awards \$1,000 scholarships to winning applicants. Scholarship recipients is based on Academic Achievement, leadership, participation in school activities, honors received. Completed application materials should be postmarked on or before February 16, 2018.

[Vietnam Veterans of America, Inc. Scholarship \(Richard T. Nuske Memorial Scholarship\)](#)—Two-\$1,500 scholarships will be awarded. “Write an original essay based on an interview with a U.S. Vietnam Veteran.” Deadline is February 17, 2018.

[Wisconsin Trappers’ Association Michael Abrahamson Memorial Scholarships](#)—Amount of this scholarship is \$500. Applicant: Must have a grade point average of 3.0 overall or B, must be pursuing a career in Wildlife-related science, such as biology, botany, natural resources, etc. and not a physical science like chemistry or physics.” Deadline is March 1, 2018.

[Texas Instruments Arne Engebretsen Memorial Scholarship](#)—“In cooperation with Texas Instruments, Wisconsin Mathematics Education Foundation offers one \$2,000 scholarship opportunity for a high school senior who plans to major in mathematics education or to have a mathematics concentration at the elementary or middle level.” Deadline is March 1, 2018.

[Wisconsin Sheriffs & Deputy Sheriffs Association Scholarship Award Program](#)—“The Wisconsin Sheriffs and Deputy Sheriffs Association annual scholarship award program was developed to offer financial assistance to full-time students enrolled in Criminal Justice programs at any Wisconsin college or university. Its purpose is to encourage educational growth and professionalism among police officers and deputy sheriffs in the State of Wisconsin. Seven \$500 scholarships will be awarded and winners will be selected on a competitive basis. Any Wisconsin state resident that is enrolling in a Wisconsin college, and has a course of study leading to a degree in law enforcement, is eligible.” Deadline is Tuesday, March 6, 2018.

[SF Foundation Scholarship](#)—“SFM Foundation is a non-profit organization created to administer a scholarship program to benefit children of workers injured or killed in work-related accidents.” Scholarship may range between \$1,000 and \$10,000. Deadline is March 31, 2018.

[American Fire Sprinkler Association Scholarship Program](#)—The High School Senior College Scholarship Contest is open to high school seniors who are citizens or aliens legally residing in the USA. Deadline is April 1, 2018.

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Wisconsin Restaurant Association—“The WRA Education Foundation awards over \$39,000 in scholarships annually based on future plans in foodservice, academic records and recommendations. Deadline is April 1, 2018.

Ayn Rand’s Novel Essay Contest—The *Fountainhead* and *Atlas Shrugged* are the two novels offered to 12th Graders. Essay must be between 800-1,600 words in length. The *Fountainhead* and the *Atlas Shrugged* entry deadline is May 15, 2018.

Abbott & Fenner Scholarship—Scholarship(s) are available to all high school juniors and seniors as well as all students currently registered in any accredited post-secondary institution. Deadline is June 14, 2018

BigSun Scholarship—The BigSun Organization is offering a “scholarship to a deserving student. 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. Deadline is June 19, 2018