

SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE
RJ Reynolds High School
September 12, 2019

Important scholarship practices for students and parents:

1. Search scholarship and financial aid opportunities available from the colleges and universities where you plan to apply-know deadlines and application procedures.
2. Research scholarship opportunities on a national database such as <http://www.fastweb.com/college-scholarships> to find broad and some unique scholarship opportunities.
3. Earn "Micro-Scholarships" at <https://www.raise.me/>
4. Many state universities, like Clemson University, the University of South Carolina, the University of Alabama and The Ohio State University, have scholarship programs for out-of-state students with specific GPA and test score credentials-look closely at schools that interest you.

JEFFERSON SCHOLARS PROGRAM @ THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

- Criteria: Demonstrated uncommon academic abilities, exceptional leadership talents and an understanding of the broader community around them-LEADERSHIP, SCHOLARSHIP, CITIZENSHIP (**one RJR senior** may be nominated to apply and will be selected by the RJR scholarship committee)
- Awards: 4 years of tuition, fees, room & board, and expenses; extensive enrichment program (over \$240,000 for non-Virginians)
- Deadline: December 2, 2019 is the deadline for submission of all forms.
If you are seeking a nomination, please submit to the Guidance office by **October 16, 2019 the Senior Resume and Scholarship form (which includes short answers, an attached activities and leadership resume and a request for an essay of your choice). A short additional personal statement that describes how you meet the criteria of exceptional leadership, scholarship and citizenship is suggested but not required.**
To be considered, please **email** Mrs. Beale nbbeale1@wsfcs.k12.nc.us and put "**Nominate**" in the subject.
- Contact: Complete information available at www.jeffersonscholars.org

JOHN MONTGOMERY BELK SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM @ DAVIDSON COLLEGE

- Criteria: Seniors with the following attributes: intellectual depth and academic achievement, strength of character and integrity, global awareness, commitment to service, and leadership ability and potential for continuing impact (**RJR may nominate ONE or TWO seniors**)
- Awards: Eight Belk Scholars will be chosen, each receiving an annually renewable scholarship equivalent to the college's comprehensive fees (valued in 2019-20 at \$67,794) and two \$3,000 special study stipends.
- Deadline: November 22, 2019 for a completed admission application
If you are seeking a nomination, please submit to the Guidance office by **October 16, 2019 the Senior Resume and Scholarship form (which includes short answers, an attached activities and leadership resume and a request for an essay of your choice). A short additional personal statement that describes how you meet the criteria of demonstrated academic excellence and enthusiasm, integrity, and leadership ability and potential is suggested but not required.**
To be considered, please **email** Mrs. Beale nbbeale@wsfcs.k12.nc.us and put "**Nominate**" in the subject.
- Contact: Find more details at www.davidson.edu/Belk

THE ROBERTSON SCHOLARS PROGRAM @ UNC-CHAPEL HILL AND DUKE UNIVERSITY

Criteria: Scholars that pursue a range of passions, academic interests, and personal and professional goals; strong applicants demonstrate purposeful leadership intellectual curiosity, strength of character and collaborative spirit

Awards: Full merit scholarships

Deadline: November 15, 2019

Contact: Complete information available at www.robertsonscholars.org

COCA-COLA SCHOLARS FOUNDATION

Criteria: 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.

Awards: 150 scholarships of \$20,000 (\$3 million each year)

Deadline: October 31, 2019

Contact: Apply online at www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org/apply/

RON BROWN SCHOLAR PROGRAM

Criteria: The Program which was named for the late Secretary of Commerce and inspired by his dedication to public service, focuses on encouraging civic engagement among Scholars while promoting academic excellence, community and lifelong interactions. Recipients are young African Americans of outstanding promise who are offered academic scholarships, service opportunities and leadership experiences.

Awards: Scholarships (\$10,000 per year for four years)

Deadline: November 1, 2019 (for early consideration for Ron Brown Program); January 9, 2020 for Ron Brown scholarship

Contact: Complete up to date information and application available at: www.ronbrown.org

THE THOMAS WOLFE SCHOLARSHIP @ UNC-CHAPEL HILL

Criteria: Student writers who will apply to UNC-Chapel Hill for fall 2020; sponsored by the Creative Writing Program and Department of English

Awards: One full scholarship

Deadline: November 15, 2019 and admissions application must be completed by October 15, 2019

Contact: Complete information at <http://englishcomplit.unc.edu/creative/scholarships>
Please [email](mailto:nbbeale@wsfcs.k12.nc.us) Mrs. Beale at: nbbeale@wsfcs.k12.nc.us for the scholarship attachment.

GOODNIGHT SCHOLARS PROGRAM @ NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY

Criteria: Be a NC resident, select a STEM career, and demonstrate a history of exceptional academic performance

Awards: Scholarships valued at \$20,500 and are renewable for up to four years

Deadline: Must submit general NCSU application for admission by November 1, 2019 Indicate a family income of less than \$110,000 on the NC State Application. FAFSA must be submitted by February 15th.

Contact: Find more information at <http://goodnight.ncsu.edu/> or see Mrs. Beale for details

THE PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY AWARDS

Criteria: Student who has devoted a significant number of volunteer hours over the past year (awards at the local, state, and national levels); applicants may also be eligible for the President's Volunteer Service Award

Awards: State award is a \$1,000 scholarship and trip to Washington, D.C. National Honorees receive an additional \$5,000.

Deadline: November 5, 2019 to complete the online application and request certification by your principal

Contact: Visit <http://spirit.prudential.com> or www.nassp.org/spirit, click on the "Apply Now" link, and follow the onscreen instructions.

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION "MOST VALUABLE STUDENT" SCHOLARSHIPS

Criteria: High school seniors based on academic achievements and records, leadership, financial need and community involvement

Awards: Local Regional, State, and National scholarships (500 four-year awards), ranging from \$1,000 to \$12,500 per year-six local scholarships (3 male and 3 female) will be awarded; top scholarship at national level is \$50,000

Deadline: November 5, 2019

Contact: Applications available at www.elks.org/enf/scholars/mvs.cfm (Carefully follow all directions and seek assistance from Mrs. Beale, if you have questions). This organization expects and appreciates applications that are neatly completed and placed in a folder with all parts in order. Exhibits (newspaper articles, certificates of achievement, copies of awards or any form of documentation that supports your accomplishments) should be included. Questions email Scholarship@elks.org

WINSTON-SALEM/FORSYTH COUNTY EMANCIPATION ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

Criteria: Academic Excellence (3.0 GPA or higher), Character, Service, Strength of Essay and Personal Interview

Awards: Several \$1,000 scholarships and other awards

Deadline: October 25, 2019 to mail application. See Mrs. Beale for help mailing.

Contact: Applications available in RJR Guidance Office

JACK KENT COOKE FOUNDATION COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

Criteria: Students that will graduate in spring of 2019 with a cumulative unweighted GPA of 3.5 or higher and SAT (combined critical reading and math) of 1200 or higher and/or ACT composite of 26 or above and demonstrate financial need. The average family income of Cooke Foundation scholars selected this past year was \$26,000

Awards: Several scholarships up to \$40,000 per year

Deadline: November 13, 2019 Student will apply through the common application.

Contact: More information and online application at: <https://www.jkcf.org/our-scholarships/college-scholarship-program/how-to-apply/>

CHEATHAM-WHITE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM @ NORTH CAROLINA A&T OR NORTH CAROLINA CENTRAL UNIVERSITY

Criteria: To be nominated student should show exceptional qualities of character and leadership, be significantly involved in extracurricular activities and demonstrate a strong commitment to service. Minimum 4.0 or higher weighted cumulative GPA and a minimum score of 1280 (SAT) or 28 (ACT)

Awards: A fully funded 4 year scholarship (Reynolds had a winner in 2018)

Deadline: November 15, 2019

Contact: **Please let Mrs. Beale know by October 16, 2019, if you would like to be considered for this scholarship.** Information available at: <http://www.ncat.edu/admissions/financial-aid/aid/scholarships/cheatham-white-scholarship.html>