

SCHOLARSHIP BULLETIN

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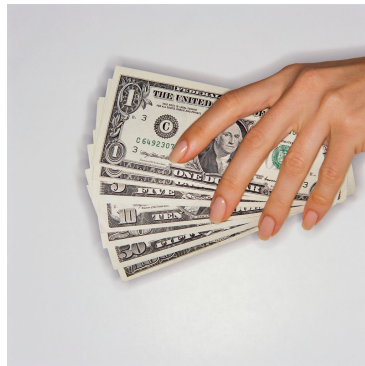
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WELCOME TO THE SCHOLARSHIP BULLETIN!

The Scholarship Bulletin lists national, regional and local scholarships for high school students.

- The Bulletin is updated every two weeks and is available in Davis Senior High School's Scholarship and Financial Aid Office (located next to counseling), the counseling office, or online at: <http://www.dhspta.org/dhs/scholarships>.
- Scholarship and financial aid information is available in the high school's Scholarship and Financial Aid Office. You can also search for scholarships at websites such as www.fastweb.com, www.finaid.org, www.collegeboard.com, www.scholarships.com, Naviance computer program, your workplace or your parent's workplace, local and regional businesses, military, foundations, unions, clubs, and religious, service and community organizations, and the financial aid office of the college you will attend.
- We **do not recommend** that you send money to scholarship search services that advertise or send information to you. The same information is available free in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office or online.
- The Scholarship and Financial Aid Office is open daily.
- Awards are for seniors unless otherwise stated.
- New listings are marked **NEW!**



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DEADLINE ➔ **LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS FOR DAVIS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS ONLY.**

SCHOLARSHIPS IN THE SHADED BOX BELOW REQUIRE ONLY ONE STANDARD APPLICATION, WHICH IS AVAILABLE IN THE SCHOLARSHIP AND FINANCIAL AID OFFICE (LOCATED NEXT TO COUNSELING).

Davis Senior High School's Scholarship Selection Committee will select the recipients for these local awards. Apply for these scholarships with one Standard Application, which is in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.

- Apr. 16 ➔ **DAVIS HOST LIONS CLUB SCHOLARSHIP:** One \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a Davis Senior High School senior with financial need who plans to enter a two- or four-year college or vocational school.
- Apr. 16 ➔ **DAVIS TEACHERS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP:** Two \$500 scholarships will be awarded to Davis Senior High School seniors on the basis of scholarship, character, leadership, ability, plans for a teaching career, and financial need.
- Apr. 16 ➔ **DAVIS WASTE REMOVAL/ROTARY CLUB OF DAVIS SCHOLARSHIP:** Two \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to Davis Senior High School seniors planning to pursue an education at a vocational/technical school.
- Apr. 16 ➔ **MILTON MORSE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP:** Two awards of \$500 each will be awarded to Davis Senior High School seniors planning to attend a four-year college with emphasis on teaching and/or using the Spanish language in helping others and who have a 3.0 GPA. Special consideration will be given to applicants who were enrolled in the Spanish Immersion Program. Financial need will be considered.
- Apr. 16 ➔ **ROTARY CLUB OF DAVIS SCHOLARSHIP:** Two scholarships of \$1,000 each will be awarded to Davis Senior High School seniors based on financial need. Applicants receiving other scholarships/financial aid are not eligible.
- Apr. 16 ➔ **TEO VILLANUEVA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP:** One \$2,000 scholarship to be awarded to a Latino Davis Senior High School senior who is planning on attending a two- or four-year college. Recipient must be friendly, caring, honest, happy, and concerned for others. Financial need will be considered.
- Apr. 16 ➔ **VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS SCHOLARSHIP:** One \$500 scholarship to be awarded to Davis Senior High School senior who meets at least one of the following criteria: 1) plans to attend one of the U.S. Service Academies; 2) plans to participate in an ROTC program at a college; 3) plans to enlist in the armed forces; or 4) is the child or grandchild of a military veteran.



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BEEGHLY-MERRITT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Eligibility: Davis and Woodland high school seniors who plan to attend UC Davis. Eligible students must have at least a 3.5 GPA and have had significant employment during high school. *Award:* \$11,400. *Contact:* Applications are in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.

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DAVIS CHINESE ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

Eligibility: Davis Senior High School seniors of Chinese decent who have demonstrated academic excellence or have distinguished themselves in school and community activities. Students must submit an essay titled "What it means to be a Chinese American". *Award:* Various amounts. *Contact:* Applications are in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.

NEW! Apr. 16**RICHARD O'BRIEN/OUTBACK STEAKHOUSE "LIVE TO LOVE" AWARD**

Eligibility: Graduating senior of a high school in the Davis school district. Student must submit a statement that "exemplifies how you live your life to the fullest, what you value most in life, and what impact you attempt to have on others". Students do not need to attend college to receive this award. *Award:* \$1,500. *Contact:* Applications are in the Scholarship Office.

NEW! Apr. 16**DAVIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SCHOLARSHIP**

Eligibility: Davis Senior High School senior who plans to attend a four-year college, community college or any trade, technical or business school, with an emphasis on business. Financial need is a consideration but not the determining factor. Student must have a minimum 3.0 GPA. *Award:* \$500. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship Office.

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DAVIS MUSICAL THEATER COMPANY SCHOLARSHIP

Eligibility: Davis Senior High School senior who participated in Davis Musical Theater Company in any of the following areas: main stage productions, Young Performer's Theater (YPT) productions, orchestra/band for either main stage or YPT, student choreography, student directing or musical directing, summer workshop assistant, costume design, props, or technical. *Award:* \$500. *Contact:* Applications are available at www.dmtc.org

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DAVIS MUSICAL THEATER COMPANY YPT SCHOLARSHIP

Eligibility: Davis Senior High School senior who participated in Davis Musical Theater Company in any of the following areas: Young Performer's Theater (YPT) productions, orchestra/band/piano for YPT, student choreography, student directing or musical directing, summer workshop assistant, costume design, props, or technical. *Award:* \$500. *Contact:* Applications are available at www.dmtc.org

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- Apr. 16 **YOLO MASONIC LODGE SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: **Davis Senior High School senior** who has taken an active part in home, school and community and who has displayed honesty and reliability in the performance of his or her responsibilities. Must have a minimum 3.0 GPA and plan to attend a two- or four-year college. *Award:* \$500. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- Apr. 16 **DSHS PTA GRADUATING SENIOR AWARDS**
Eligibility: **Davis Senior High School senior** who has enriched DSHS, demonstrated leadership, helped build school community/spirit, and/or made significant contributions to the school through active participation in DSHS sponsored activities, clubs or athletics. Student must have a minimum GPA of 2.5. *Award:* \$500. *Contact:* Applications are in the Scholarship Office.
- Apr. 16 **HANNA BAUER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: **Davis Senior High School senior** planning to pursue a career as a resource specialist, school counselor, or school psychologist, or is currently enrolled in sheltered classes and/or The Resource Specialist Program (RSP). Student must be planning to attend a two- or four-year college, vocational or technical school. *Award:* \$500. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- Apr. 16 **KIWANIS CLUB OF DAVIS SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: **Davis Senior High School senior** who is planning to attend a community college, technical, trade, or vocational school in the fall. Student must have a minimum GPA of 2.5, and have demonstrated financial need. *Award:* \$1,000. *Contact:* Applications are in the Scholarship Office.
- Apr. 16 **ARMSTRONG FAMILY EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: **Davis Senior High School senior** who is planning to attend a two- or four-year college or university in the fall and whose career goal and educational plans will be education or education-related. Financial need is not a consideration. Students are not required to be U.S. citizens. *Award:* \$1,000. *Contact:* Applications are in the Scholarship Office.
- Apr. 16 **DAVID MURPHY SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: **Graduating senior of a high school in the Davis school district** who is an immigrant or the son or daughter of an immigrant to the U.S. Student must be planning to attend a college or university, have an academic record that meets UC admission criteria, and have demonstrated financial need. *Award:* \$1,000. *Contact:* Applications are in the Scholarship Office.

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- Apr. 16 **CALIFORNIA SCHOOL EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION (CSEA)
CHAPTER 572 SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: Davis Senior High School senior whose parent or legal guardian is a dues paying member of the California School Employees Association (CSEA) Chapter 572 (local Davis chapter). Student must have a minimum 2.0 GPA and be planning to attend a two- or four-year college, university or vocational school. *Award:* \$500. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- Apr. 16 **ED AND CLARA COMINGORE SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION**
Eligibility: Davis Senior High School senior whose major or career goal is education, education-related, or Engineering. Student must be a U.S. citizen, have a minimum GPA of 3.0, be planning to attend a two- or four-year college, and have demonstrated financial need. *Award:* \$500. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- Apr. 16 **NOVOZYMES, INC. SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: Davis Senior High School senior who shows promise for scientific achievement and plans to enter a four-year college. Must plan to major in a biological or chemical science, be in good academic standing and be well-rounded. A one-page essay on career interests and goals is required. Financial need is not a consideration. *Award:* \$2,000. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- Apr. 16 **NOVOZYMES, INC. AND ROTARY INTERNATIONAL
SCHOLARSHIP AWARD FOR CREATIVE ARTS**
Eligibility: Davis Senior High School senior who has shown outstanding achievement in the Fine Arts, such as painting, drawing, sculpture, photography, jewelry, etc. Must be in good academic standing, show a promise for a creative arts career, and submit a one-page essay on career interests and goals. Financial need is not a consideration. *Award:* \$1000. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- Apr. 16 **SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF DAVIS ARCHIE MOORE
MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: Davis Senior High School senior who intends to major in a business field in college with an emphasis in journalism or communications. Financial need, volunteer activities, and academic merit will be considered. *Award:* \$1,500. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.



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- Apr. 16 **AARON ARONSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: Davis Senior High School senior who has an overall GPA of 2.0, proven involvement in community service, and the intent to pursue course work that will lead to preserving the environment or protecting human rights. *Award:* \$1,000. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- Apr. 30 **MONSANTO/CALGENE BIOTECHNOLOGY SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: Davis Senior High School junior or senior who has excelled at the internship portion of DSHS's biotechnology class. Eligible students must be interested in pursuing a career in biological science and be planning to attend a two- or four-year college. An essay is required. *Award:* Two awards of \$1,000 each. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- May 1 **LILY NISEN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: Davis Senior High School seniors who are planning to attend a college, technical or vocational school, and have played with AYSO in the U14 and/or older division(s). Financial need will be considered but is not an absolute criterion. *Award:* \$250-\$500. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.

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- Mar. 22 **NATIONAL COALITION OF 100 BLACK WOMEN SCHOLARSHIPS**
Eligibility: High school seniors who have a minimum 2.5 GPA and financial need. An essay titled "My Life-My Goals" must be included. African American students are encouraged to apply. *Award:* Various amounts. *Contact:* Applications are in the Scholarship Office or online at: www.sacncbw.org.
- NEW!** Mar. 29 **LISTEN TO LIFE ESSAY CONTEST**
Eligibility: **Students 8-18 years of age** must submit an essay based on an interview with a grandparent or "grandfriend" who is 50 years or older about their hopes in life, how they achieved their goals and overcame obstacles, or how dreams changed along the way. *Award:* Lenovo ThinkCentre computer, an iPod classic, and \$25,000 software for the winner's school. *Contact:* Apply online at: www.legacyproject.org/contests/Ital.html.

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- Mar. 31 **U.S. BANK INTERNET SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**
Eligibility: High school seniors planning to enroll at an eligible four-year college or university participating in the U.S. Bank No Fee Education Loan Program. Recipients will be selected at random. A list of participating colleges can be found on the online application. *Award:* \$1,000. *Contact:* Apply at http://www.usbank.com/cgi_w/cfm/studentloans/marketing.cfm
- Mar. 31 **SUTTER DAVIS HOSPITAL AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIPS**
Eligibility: **Seniors in Davis, Dixon and Winters** who intend to pursue a human health related career, with an emphasis on the field of nursing. Applicants will be judged on financial need, GPA, personal essay, and letters of reference. *Award:* \$1,000. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- April 2 **CALIFORNIA WINE GRAPE GROWERS SCHOLARSHIPS**
Eligibility: High school seniors whose parent(s) or guardian is/was a vineyard employee of a wine grape grower during the 2008 or 2009 season. Selection is based on financial need, scholastic ability, community involvement and leadership and/or work history. *Award:* \$500 - \$1,000. *Contact:* Apply online at: www.cawg.org/cwggf/.
- Apr. 5 **YOUTH AUTOMOBILE SAFETY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**
Eligibility: High school seniors with a minimum 3.0 GPA who are children of full-time or retired public employees. Students must submit an essay that discusses ways the teenage automobile accident rate can be reduced. *Award:* \$500-\$1,500. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship Office or online at: www.cseinsurance.com/aboutus/scholarship.cfm.
- Apr. 10 **YOLO COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS (YCAR) SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: **Graduating seniors from Yolo County high schools** who have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and plan to attend college in the fall. Must submit a brief summary about yourself during high school, your career objectives, and the benefits to be gained from this financial award. *Award:* \$500. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- Apr. 10 **TEENNOW CALIFORNIA SCHOLARSHIPS**
Eligibility: Male and female graduating seniors who are expectant or parenting, and who are planning to pursue further education or training after high school. Students must be sponsored by a current, paid member of TeenNow California. An essay about your experiences as an expectant or parenting teenager is required. *Award:* \$300 - \$500. *Contact:* Applications are in the Scholarship Office or at: www.teennowcalifornia.org

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- Apr. 12 **AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES SCHOLARSHIPS**
Eligibility: High school seniors pursuing career studies in any Family and Consumer Science related field (Consumer Science, Child Development, Food Science, Dietetics, Nutrition, Food Service, Fashion or Interior Design, etc.) at a community college, technical or vocational school. *Award:* \$300. *Contact:* Applications are in the Scholarship Office or at www.aafcs-ca.org.
- Apr. 15 **WOODLAND ELKS LODGE #1299 SCHOLARSHIPS**
Eligibility: High school seniors. Awards will be made based on the student's financial need, interest in attending college, scholastic record, traits of leadership, character, and ability. *Award:* \$1,000. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- Apr. 16 **CONGRESSIONAL HISPANIC CAUCUS SCHOLARSHIPS**
Eligibility: High school Latino seniors who have a history of performing public service-oriented activities in their community and who demonstrate a desire to continue their civic engagement in the future. Students must have financial need, strong writing skills, and be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident. *Award:* \$1,000-\$2,500. *Contact:* www.chci.org/scholarships.
- Apr. 19 **DIANE DAWSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: Seniors in the greater Sacramento area who have a parent or legal guardian with terminal cancer or other terminal illness, or who have lost a parent to a terminal disease during their tenure in high school. Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.5. *Award:* \$500-\$1,500. *Contact:* Applications are in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office or online at: www.sacregcf.org.
- Apr. 22 **STUDENT VIEW SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**
Eligibility: High school seniors who plan to attend a four-year college, community college or career school. Students must complete a 15-20 minute application survey about colleges in their area. *Award:* \$500 - \$4,000.
Contact: Apply online at: www.student-view.com.
- Apr. 23 **PHILIP M. DOWD MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: Graduating seniors who have endured hardship and/or overcome obstacles to achieve their goals. Eligible students must have a minimum GPA of 3.0, demonstrated financial need, and plan to pursue a degree in Public Affairs/Administration or Political Science and Government. *Award:* \$2,000.
Contact: Applications are in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office or online at: www.sacregcf.org.



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- Apr. 26 **CACHE CREEK CONSERVANCY SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: Yolo County high school senior pursuing an education in an environmental/natural resource science related field at a two- or four-year college or university in the fall. *Award:* \$1,000. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- NEW!** Apr. 30 **ASSOC. FOR CALIFORNIA SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS (ACSA)**
Eligibility: High school seniors in Yolo County who are planning a career in education. Students must have a minimum GPA of 3.25 and demonstrate involvement in school/community activities. *Award:* \$500. *Contact:* Applications are in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- Apr. 30 **KRISTI KARACOFF MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: High school seniors in northern California who have a GPA of at least 3.0 and demonstrate a chronic or life-threatening illness. *Award:* \$250-\$1,500. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office or online at: www.sacregcf.org.
- Apr. 30 **YOLO COUNTY FARM BUREAU CHARLIE ROMINGER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: Yolo County high school seniors entering a college, university or community college in the fall. Student must be pursuing a career in the agricultural industry. *Award:* \$1,500. *Contact:* Applications available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- Apr. 30 **BLOODSOURCE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: High school seniors who have chaired or participated on a blood drive committee at their high school during the 2009-10 school year. Eligible students must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and plan to attend a four-year college, community college or technical school. *Award:* \$500. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- May 10 **ROTARY CLUB OF WOODLAND SUNRISE FOUNDATION WATTS FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: Yolo County high school seniors planning to enroll in a technical or trade school, or community college studying to learn a marketable trade. *Award:* \$500-\$1,500. *Contact:* Applications are available in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- May 15 **YOLO COUNTY FARM BUREAU YOUNG FARMERS & RANCHERS AGRICULTURAL SCHOLARSHIP**
Eligibility: Yolo County high school seniors planning a career in the agriculture industry or an agriculture-related field. Scholarships will be based on scholastic achievement, leadership skills and agriculture involvement. *Award:* \$500 - \$1,000. *Contact:* Applications are in the Scholarship Office.

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- May 15 **NORDSTROM SCHOLARSHIP AWARD PROGRAM**
Eligibility: **High school juniors** with a minimum un-weighted GPA of 2.7, who have participated in community or volunteer activities, and have financial need. *Award:* \$10,000. *Contact:* Apply at Nordstrom.com/scholarship.
- NEW!** May 27 **CALTRANS DISTRICT 3 TRANSPORTATION SCHOLARSHIPS**
Eligibility: High school seniors pursuing a career in transportation who have participated in extra-curricular and/or community-related activities. *Award:* \$500. *Contact:* Apply at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist3/pdfs/2010scholarap.pdf>.
- May 31 **CSEA YOLO COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS**
Eligibility: High school seniors who are planning to attend college in the fall, have a minimum GPA of 3.0, and have submitted the FAFSA. *Award:* \$300. *Contact:* Applications are in the Scholarship and Financial Aid Office.
- June 15 **JO-ANN OWN YOUR LOOK PROM CONTEST 2010**
Eligibility: **Students ages 14-19.** Entrants must make their own prom outfit, including an accessory, with fabric and other products from Jo-Ann. Winning entries will be chosen for workmanship, originality, and level of detail. *Award:* \$1,000 - \$50,000. Apply online at: www.joann.com/prom.
- Various **UNUSUAL SCHOLARSHIPS**
 Scholarships are available for every type of student. FinAid has a list of interesting, esoteric and unusual scholarships such as physical characteristics, creativity, last name, sports, field of study, the final frontier, animal appreciation, food-related, activity-related, good works, what you don't do, twins, and legacies. Go to <http://www.finaid.org/scholarships/unusual.phtml>.
- Various **LATINO SCHOLARSHIPS**
 The Tomás Rivera Policy Institute (TRPI), a nonprofit organization that advances policy on key issues affecting Latino communities, has compiled a list of all regional organizations that award scholarships targeting California Latino students. Go online to www.latinocollegedollars.org for the Latino College Dollars directory.
- Various **SPORTS SCHOLARSHIPS**
 Go online to www.athleticaid.com for a list of links to sports scholarships, sports medicine, preparing for college, etc.
- Various **SCHOLARSHIPS FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**
 Go online to <http://www.finaid.org/otheraid/disabled.phtml> for information about financial aid and scholarships for students with disabilities.
- Various **MINORITY STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**
 You can search online for minority scholarships. Go to: <http://www.blackexcel.org/100minority.htm>, or www.thecollegeexpo.org for minority scholarship opportunities.

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Various **SCHOLARSHIPS FOR CHILDREN OF DECEASED OR DISABLED VETERANS AND DEPENDENTS OF MILITARY PERSONNEL**

Children from military families can take advantage of the many resources available to them. The American Legion offers an online publication to help students of deceased and disabled veterans in their pursuit of higher education. Visit www.needalift.org. Another resource is the new GI Bill, which allows active duty or selected reserve members to transfer their GI Bill benefits to their children. For more information, go to www.gibill.va.gov.

Various **QUESTBRIDGE NATIONAL COLLEGE MATCH PROGRAM**

Questbridge pairs outstanding low-income students with early admission and full four-year scholarships to top-ranked partner colleges. Questbridge invites applications from high school seniors who have demonstrated academic excellence in the face of economic obstacles. Apply at www.questbridge.org.

Various **PG&E EMPLOYEE RESOURCE GROUPS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS**

Pacific Gas and Electric Company Employee Resource Groups support their communities through sponsorship of scholarship programs to eligible students living within the communities served by PG&E. The Employee Resource scholarship applications are available online at www.pge.com/scholarships.

Various **MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS**

Music scholarships can be found online at websites such as <http://www.musicscholarships.us/>, which offers resources for scholarships, grants, competitions and awards resources for students preparing for an exciting career in music.



TOP TEN SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION TIPS

1. **GIVE CONCRETE EXAMPLES WHEN ANSWERING AN ESSAY QUESTION**
If your answer to an essay question is abstract, support it with a concrete example that illustrates your point. The sponsor wants to see evidence that you satisfy their criteria, not just unsupported statements.
2. **APPLY ONLY IF YOU ARE ELIGIBLE**
Read all eligibility requirements and directions carefully. Your application will not be considered if you aren't qualified to apply.
3. **IDENTIFY THE SPONSOR'S GOALS**
Try to understand the sponsor's motivation in offering the award. Are they promoting interest in their field? Do they want to identify future researchers and business leaders? Identifying their goals can direct your application toward satisfying those goals, increasing your chances of winning the award.
4. **COMPLETE THE APPLICATION IN FULL AND FOLLOW DIRECTIONS**
You can give yourself a competitive advantage by following the directions carefully. Provide everything required, but don't supply things not requested. Complete the entire application. If a question doesn't apply, note that on the application rather than leaving it blank.
5. **NEATNESS COUNTS**
Make several photocopies of all the application forms to use as working drafts as you develop your application packet. It is always best to type the application. If you must print, do so neatly and legibly. Proofread the entire application carefully. Nothing is less impressive than an application with misspelled words or grammar errors. Ask a friend, teacher or parent to proofread it as well.
6. **WRITE AN ACCOMPLISHMENTS RESUME**
Compile a list of all your accomplishments. This will help you identify your strengths and prepare a better application. Give a copy of the resume to the people writing letters of recommendation for you. It will help them know you better.
7. **WATCH ALL DEADLINES**
Impose a deadline for yourself that's at least two weeks before the application deadline. Use this time to proofread your application. You are responsible for making sure the application arrives on time. This includes supporting materials, such as letters of recommendation and transcripts. Give contributors to your application ample lead-time.
8. **MAKE SURE YOUR APPLICATION GETS WHERE IT NEEDS TO GO**
Before sending, make a copy of the entire application packet for your file. Make sure your name appears on all pages of the application. Pieces of your application may get lost unless the pages are clearly identified.
9. **ASK FOR HELP IF YOU NEED IT**
If you have problems with the application, call the sponsor. They will be glad to help. But don't expect them to do the work for you. Completing the application is your job.
10. **YOUR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION REPRESENTS YOU**
Your ability to submit a neat, timely, complete application reflects on you. It's the face you present to the sponsoring organization. Take pride in yourself by submitting the best application you can.