Scholarship Newsletter



Rainier Beach Scholarships

Equitable Excellence Scholarship - \$20,000

The Equitable Excellence Scholarship places an emphasis on empowering students' future so that they can continue to have positive impacts in their community. Will provide 100 \$5,000 annual scholarships that will be renewed to award recipients each academic year for four years, for a total of \$20,000 per recipient.

- Eligibility: U.S. Citizen or legal resident, current high school senior enrolling full-time in an accredited 2- or 4-year college.
- Due Date: December 17, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: https://scholarshipguidance.com/scholarships/27259/equitable-excellence-scholarship

"You Deserve it" Scholarship – \$2,222

Raffle-style scholarship for any student enrolling in a qualified college or university in the U.S. Approximately 1 in 140,000 chance. Actual odds of winning depend upon the total number of eligible applications received. Each application, regardless of method of entry has the same chance of winning.

- Eligibility: U.S. Resident, at least 16 years old
- Due Date: December 29, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: https://scholarshipowl.com/awards/you-deserve-it-scholarship

Poetry Contest Scholarship - \$500

All poets whose work is published in JUST POETRY!!! will receive a free copy of the issue in which their work appears and be eligible for the \$500.00 Best of Issue Scholarship Award. There will also be one Editor's Choice Award per issue carrying a \$100 scholarship prize.

- Eligibility: Open to any U.S. High School Students
- Due Date: December 31, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: http://www.justpoetry.org/

Top 10 List Scholarship - \$1,500

In 250 words or less submit a response to the question: "Create a Top Ten List of the top ten reasons you should get this scholarship." This unique scholarship gives you the chance to show us what's truly special and different about you. Get creative, be serious, or tug at our heart strings. Whatever you do, you only have ten reasons to convince us, so make each one count.

- Eligibility: At least 14 years old, Legal U.S. resident, resident of one of the 50 U.S. states or territories.
- Due Date: December 31, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: https://www.unigo.com/scholarships/our-scholarships/top-ten-list-scholarship

Unigo 10k Scholarship - \$10,000

Submit an online written response to the question: "2020 was a year to be remembered. What will you remember most about 2020 and why is it important to you?" (250 words or less)

- Eligibility: U.S. Citizen or legal resident, current student residing in the U.S., at least 14 years old.
- Due Date: December 31, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: https://www.unigo.com/scholarships/our-scholarships/unigo-10k-scholarship

Ron Brown Scholarship - \$40,000

The Ron Brown Scholarship honors the legacy of Ronald H. Brown through a selective scholarship program that advances higher education for community-minded and intellectually gifted African Americans.

RBSP competitively awards 45 – 50 four-year \$40,000 scholarships (\$10,000 each year) to the most talented and economically-challenged high school seniors who demonstrate a keen interest in public service, community engagement, business entrepreneurship and global citizenship – the four pillars of the late Ronald H. Brown's mission to uplift people of all races, cultures and ethnicities – especially our disadvantaged youth.

- Eligibility: U.S. Citizen or legal resident, current student residing in the U.S, must attend a four-year accredited university within the United States, MUST be Black/African American.
- Due Date: December 31, 2021 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: https://ronbrown.org/apply/ron-brown-scholarship/

FFA Scholarships - \$10,000

Through the National FFA Foundation, businesses and individuals support scholarships that are awarded to students with a wide variety of higher education plans and career goals. Whether you are planning on attending a specialized training program or seeking a four-year degree, the National FFA Scholarship Program has opportunities for all. Scholarships support FFA high school seniors and collegiate members as well as non-FFA members. Just one application is required for multiple scholarship opportunities totaling close to \$2 million.

- Eligibility: U.S. Citizen or legal resident, current student residing in the U.S., at least 14 years old.
- Due Date: January 11, 2022 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: https://www.ffa.org/participate/grants-and-scholarships/scholarships/

Terry Crews "Creative Courage Scholarship - \$20,000

In an effort to continue to lift up those in need, the Terry Crews' Scholarship is designed to create more opportunities for struggling artists chasing their dreams. One artist will receive \$20,000 to use toward their artistic development and education.

- Eligibility: 16 years or older, good academic standing, enrolled in a public, private or parochial high school or home study program in the U.S.
- Due Date: January 12, 2022 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: https://scholarshipguidance.com/scholarships/36969/terry-crews-creative-courage-scholarship

GSBA Scholarship

Established in 1981, GSBA is the largest LGBTQ and allied chamber of commerce in North America. Represent 1,400 small businesses, corporate, and nonprofit members who share the values of promoting equality and diversity in the workplace. Funds provides educational scholarships to LGBTQ and Allied students from Washington State yet can be used at any accredited post-secondary institution in the world. One application enrolls you in up to 61+ other scholarships!

- Eligibility: Personal Statement, No GPA requirement, No SSN, LGBTQ+ community member or ally.
- Due Date: January 14, 2022 at 5 p.m.
- Link: https://thegsba.org/scholarship-home/become-a-scholar

Alexander Hamilton Scholarship

The Hamilton Award recognizes outstanding HS juniors for their academic, personal, and service achievements and selects students for the Hamilton Leaders Academy – a three-year, no-student-cost program that helps students get into college, transition to college, succeed while in college, and transition to the post-college world.

- Eligibility: be high-achieving and service-focused, possess grit and perseverance, demonstrate financial need, live in the U.S. (but don't have to be a resident), commit to participating in a rigorous 5-year curriculum, be able to attend New York Leader Week July 9-14, 2022.
- Due Date: January 26, 2022 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: https://thegsba.org/scholarship-home/become-a-scholar

APIASF Scholarship Program – (Up to \$20k)

APIA Scholars provides scholarships to underserved APIA students with a special focus on those who: are of low socioeconomic status; Are the first in their families to attend college; Are representative of the APIA community's diversity, (geographically and ethnically), especially those ethnicities that have been underrepresented on college campuses due to limited access and opportunity; and have placed a strong emphasis on community service and leadership as well as solid academic achievement.

- Eligibility: Be of Asian and/or Pacific Islander ethnicity, be a citizen or legal U.S. resident, enrolling as an undergraduate student, minimum GPA of 2.7, apply to FAFSA, letter of recommendation.
- Due Date: January 26, 2022 at 5 p.m.
- Link: https://apiascholars.org/scholarship/apia-scholarship/

The UW DO-IT Scholars Program

DO-IT Scholars are Washington State high school students with disabilities planning to continue their education after they graduate. Scholars prepare for their transition to college—which includes exploring careers, independence, self-advocacy, and leadership. Is open to high school sophomores or juniors.

- Eligibility: Parent/guardian recommendation and consent, High school Teacher/Administrator/Counselor recommendation, current transcript.
- Due Date: January 30, 2022 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: https://www.washington.edu/doit/programs/do-it-scholars/applying

The American Legion Oratorical Contest - \$5,000

"A Constitutional Speech Contest" aims to develop a deeper knowledge and appreciation of the Constitution of the United States on the part of high school students. Other objectives of the contest include the development of leadership qualities, the ability to think and speak clearly and intelligently, and the preparation for acceptance of the duties and responsibilities, the rights and privileges of American citizenship. Here in Washington State, we will award \$5,000 in scholarships to the top 4 finishers.

- Eligibility: Be under the age of 20, currently a high school senior, legally domiciled within or attend an educational institution within the State they enter competition.
- Due Date: January 31, 2022 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: https://waconstitutionalspeechcontest.org/

Naval Reserve Officer Training Corps Scholarship

Selected applicants for the Navy ROTC Scholarship Program are awarded scholarships through a highly competitive national selection process, and receive full tuition, books stipend, educational fees and other financial benefits at many of the country's leading colleges and universities. Upon graduation, midshipmen are commissioned as officers in the unrestricted line Naval Reserve or Marine Corps Reserve.

- Eligibility: Submit Privacy Act, SAT/ACT, Physical Evaluation, select a Navy affiliated college or university.
- Due Date: January 31, 2022 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: https://www.netc.navy.mil/Commands/Naval-Service-Training-Command/NROTC/Apply/

USDA/1890 National Scholars Program - Full Tuition & Expenses

Scholarships are awarded annually and must be used at one of 1890 Historically Black Land-Grant Universities. Each award provides full tuition, as well as room and board, for the term of the scholarship. The scholarship may be renewed each year, contingent upon satisfactory academic performance and normal progress toward the bachelor's degree.

- Eligibility: Be a U.S. Citizen, cumulative GPA of 3.0 or better, attending a one of the nineteen 1890 Historically Black Land-Grant Universities, study agriculture or a related field, demonstrate leadership and community service, 21 ACT or 1080 SAT
- Due Date: January 31, 2022 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: https://www.usda.gov/partnerships/1890NationalScholars

USDA 1994 Tribal Scholars Program

The program provides full tuition, employment, employee benefits, fees, and books each year for up to 4 years to selected students pursuing a bachelor's degree in agriculture, food science, natural resource science, or a related academic discipline at one of 35 federally recognized tribal colleges and universities. The scholarship may be renewed each year, contingent upon satisfactory academic performance and normal progress toward the bachelor's degree.

- Eligibility: Attending one of the thirty-five 1994 federally recognized tribal colleges and Universities, study agriculture or a related field, demonstrate leadership and community service.
- Due Date: January 31, 2022 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: https://www.usda.gov/partnerships/1994-program

American Indian Endowed Scholarship - \$500 to \$2,000

Helps financially needy students with close social and cultural ties to an American Indian community in the State of Washington. Students can use the scholarships at public colleges and many independent colleges in Washington. The program prioritizes upper division and graduate level students, however, all applicants receive award consideration.

- Eligibility: Demonstrate financial need based on FAFSA, meet WA residency requirements, intend to enroll full-time as an undergraduate or graduate student in WA, not yet received a total of five years of this scholarship.
- Due Date: March 1, 2022 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: https://wsac.wa.gov/american-indian-endowed-scholarship

Civic Courage Scholarship - \$5,000

Competition asks students to write an essay (between 1,500 - 2,000 words) about an individual or group of individuals from Washington state who have demonstrated civic courage on an issue of importance to the community at great personal, political, or professional risk. Two runners up get a \$2,500 scholarship. NOTE: Pool for this scholarship tends to be small so chances of winning are high!

- Eligibility: Reside, attend school, or work in Seattle, be 13 years or older, have an active Seattle Public Library card, be a current high school senior or undergraduate enrolled at a two- or four-year college.
- Due Date: March 15, 2022 at 11:59 p.m.
- Link: https://supportspl.org/what-we-do/scholarship/

WashBoard Scholarhsips

Visit the WashBoard website to <u>find additional scholarships that match your specific interests.</u> You can apply specific filters that match your interests!

Scholarships for Undocumented Students

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