

**T.L. Hanna High School Guidance Department
Scholarships
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This list is updated regularly, so check back frequently. If a scholarship is of interest to you, go ahead and pursue it. Do not wait until the deadline to apply. The most recent additions to this list are in red....

[December 2009 Due Dates](#)

◆ **Spartanburg Methodist College Full-tuition Financial Aid**

For the 10th year in a row, Spartanburg Methodist College is proud to offer our full-tuition financial aid offer (no loans included) to your 2010 graduates and LIFE Scholarship (3.00 GPA or better in a college prep curriculum) eligible students. Spartanburg Methodist College has a long history of academic excellence as an upstate South Carolina College solely focusing on the student's first two years of college life. As you well know, these years are extremely important in the life of a college student and we feel we do this job better than any other college in South Carolina, because it's all we do. Our carefully planned curriculum and transfer agreements with four-year colleges and universities ensure a smooth transfer of credits. In fact, this program has become a great success at SMC and is the main reason why roughly half of our student body are now LIFE Scholars.

We are interested in those students who will graduate with at least a 3.0 GPA on the Uniform Grading Scale (Life Scholarship eligible at SMC). We will offer these students a financial aid package equivalent to the cost of tuition (no loans included)! This way, their only cost concern will be the costs associated with being a boarding student if that is their desire. In all probability these students will even qualify for additional scholarship aid to help with this cost as well. For example, students paying their reservation deposit for Fall 2010 before December 2009 will qualify for an additional \$900-\$1,200 that we call an "Early Decision Scholarship." This scholarship will be over and above our full tuition offer. The earlier a student pays a reservation deposit, the more scholarship he/she qualifies for. See <http://smcsc.edu/pages/FinancialAid-Scholarships> for more info.

◆ **Boston University Trustee Scholarship**

For over three decades, the Boston University Trustee Scholars Program has attracted students with outstanding academic ability and the potential to inspire fellow students to excel. This fall, we are proud to welcome 17 new Trustee Scholars to the Boston University community.

Trustee Scholars are selected by a faculty committee from a pool of applicants who have been nominated by principals and headmasters of high schools around the world. Each Scholar receives a renewable scholarship covering full undergraduate tuition and mandatory fees for four years. Trustee Scholars are typically in the top ten percent of their class and are also very active leaders in their schools and communities. Students who are nominated but not selected for a Trustee Scholarship will be considered for other Boston University scholarships, grants, and loans for which they apply and are eligible. Please go to www.bu.edu/admissions/trustee for more information. December 1, 2009 is deadline.

◆ **Navy ROTC Scholarships**

If a college degree and a successful career are your objectives, NROTC is the way to get both. Money for school and experience for life. Job responsibilities that some wait years to achieve. And life-accelerating adventure beyond your imagination, all conveniently packaged in one incredible scholarship. This scholarship can provide enough money (up to \$180,000) to cover up to four and in some cases (e.g., engineering, physics, etc.), even five years of tuition, textbooks, a monthly spending allowance, and other related fees. Plus, upon graduation, you will be placed in a job in an exciting career field. There are 160 top colleges and universities that participate (including USC and the Citadel), and there is no obligation to commit to the Navy until your sophomore of college. If you do commit, service options include Navy and Navy Nurse.

Visit www.navy.com/careers/nrotc for more information and to apply, go to <https://www.nrotc.navy.mil>. For further

information you may call (864) 923-6743 or (864) 224-1097. The deadline to apply is December 1, 2009. This scholarship is competitive and is based on your SAT/ACT scores.

◆ **AXA Achievementsm Scholarship**

The AXA Achievementsm Scholarship in association with U.S. News & World Report provides \$670,000 in annual scholarships to young people throughout the nation. Fifty-two winners (one from each state, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico) are selected by our nonprofit partner, Scholarship America, to receive one-time scholarship awards of \$10,000 each. From the pool of 52 state winners, ten are selected as national winners and earn an additional one-time scholarship of \$15,000. This brings the top AXA Achievers total scholarship awards to \$25,000 each. These top ten also receive the offer of an internship with AXA.

Our scholarships winners are known as AXA Achievers. They are ethnically and economically diverse, but they share these qualities: ambition and drive, determination to set and reach goals, respect for self, family and community, ability to succeed in college. Some of the remarkable accomplishments of our past AXA Achievers include: setting up a food bank in their community; designing a curriculum to get kids interested in science; founding a nonprofit organization for young-people that encourages community service and civic involvement. For more information, visit www.axa-achievement.com. The deadline to apply is December 15, 2009.

January 2010 Due Dates

◆ **Kittie Moss Fairey Educational Fund Scholarship Program**

Applicants must be seniors with a 3.0 GPA or higher on a 4.0 scale, have a combined SAT score of 1800 or a composite ACT score of 26, parents must have a household adjusted gross income not exceeding \$40,000, and student must be planning on attending an accredited 4 year college or university located in South Carolina. Applications are available online at www.wachoviascholars.com and the deadline is January 4th.

◆ **SC Junior Golf Foundation Scholarship Program**

Seniors who have a cumulative GPA of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale or higher, have a competitive or recreational interest in golf and who plan on attending an accredited public or private, 4 year college or university in South Carolina in the Fall of 2010 are encouraged to apply for this scholarship. Applications are available online at www.scholarshipprograms.org and the deadline is January 4th, 2010.

◆ **American Legion 2010 High School Oratorical Scholarship Program**

The purpose of The American Legion High School Oratorical Scholarship Program "A Constitutional Speech Contest" is 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, 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. Rules and regulations brochures are available from The American Legion, Department of South Carolina at www.scarolinalegion.org under Legion Programs (Oratorical Contest). Post Contests must be concluded by January 31, 2009.

◆ **National Washington Crossing Foundation Scholarship Awards**

Seniors planning careers in government service are eligible to apply. Applications are available at www.gwcf.org. The deadline is January 15th, 2010.

◆ **Carolina Tall Club Scholarship**

One scholarship of \$250 will be awarded to a senior who will be entering a two or four year accredited institution of higher learning in the fall of 2010 and meets the following criteria: minimum height (5'10" females; 6'2" males), 2010 high school graduate 21 years of age or younger, school activities, volunteer work, academic achievement, and personal achievement. The Carolina Tall Club Scholarship Committee will select semi-finalists and will conduct personal interviews to select finalists. Recipient will be notified in March. The recipient info also will be sent to Tall Clubs International Scholarship Committee for a chance to win an additional \$1000 scholarship. Applications and additional information are available at www.tall.org/clubs/sc/carolina. If you are interested, you must notify guidance no later than January 25, 2010.

◆ **NWTF Conservation Scholarship Announced**

The National Wild Turkey Federation has announced their Conservation Scholarship. A winner will be selected at the local level and will then advance to the state and national level. ANYONE can apply for this scholarship. Applications can be found on the scholarship bulletin board or can be downloaded at <http://www.nwtf.org/jakes/educators/scholarships.html>. Scholarship deadline is January 1, 2010.

◆ **John Lennon Endowed Scholarship**

Awards \$5,000 to a student studying communications, media arts, performing arts, vocal, theater or drama at a school endowed by the United Negro College Fund. Applications accepted through until May 30. For details, go to www.uncf.org. and click on the "For Students" tab.

◆ **John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Contest**

It takes courage to stand up for your beliefs. Some elected officials risk their careers to (to right lay their community and country. In "Profiles in Courage," John F. Kennedy described eight U.S. elected officials who demonstrated political courage. Here's your chance to write a new profile in courage. The John F. Kennedy Library Foundation invites U.S. high school students to write an original essay on the political courage of a U.S. elected official. For contest information, registration, and to submit your essay online, visit the Profile in Courage Award Program at www.jfklibrary.org. Entries must be submitted by January 9, 2010. First place winner receives \$10,000. Second place winner receives \$1,000. Up to five finalists receive \$500 each.

◆ **SC Governor's Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities**

This committee is offering a writing contest to both high school Juniors and Seniors. To enter, write a three-page article on the benefits of hiring people with disabilities. The contest winner will receive a four-year scholarship to a South Carolina state-supported institution of his or her choice. The scholarship pays for undergraduate tuition and fees. Entrants must be South Carolina residents aged 16 to 19 years old, and **entrants do not have to have a disability**. Entries must be postmarked by January 19, 2010. For more information and complete rules and eligibility requirements, visit: www.journalism.scvrd.net.

◆ **Harry Hampton Scholarship**

This scholarship consists of \$2,500 annually, for up to four (4) consecutive years, to help a student further his/her education in the natural resources discipline. The recipient must major in a natural resources discipline such as: wildlife, biology, fisheries biology, forestry, marine science or environmental science to qualify. The Board of Directors of the Harry Hampton Wildlife Fund will make final approval of the recipient and notify the winners. See your guidance counselor for an application. The deadline to apply is January 31, 2010.

◆ **Wallace F. Pate Scholarship**

This scholarship consists of a one-time award of \$1,500 to help a student further his/her education in the natural resources discipline. The recipient must have a major in a natural resources discipline such as: wildlife, biology, fisheries biology, forestry, marine science or environmental science to qualify. The Board of Directors of the Harry Hampton Wildlife Fund will make final approval of the recipient and notify the winners. See your guidance counselor for an application. The deadline to apply is January 31, 2010.

◆ **The Gates Millennium Scholars Program**

Students are eligible to be considered for a Gates Millennium Scholars scholarship if they:

- Are African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian and Pacific Islander American, or Hispanic American;
- Are a citizen/legal permanent resident or nationals of the United States;
- Have attained a cumulative GPA of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale (un-weighted);
- Will be enrolling for the first-time at a U.S. accredited* college or university as a full-time, degree-seeking, first-year student in the fall of 2010; or GED
- Have demonstrated leadership abilities through participation in community service, extracurricular or other activities;
- Meet the Federal Pell Grant* eligibility criteria; and
- Have all three forms (Nominee Personal Information Form completed by the student, Nominator Form

completed by an educator familiar with the student's academic record and a Recommender Form completed by a person familiar with the student's leadership and community service) submitted by the deadline.

Individuals selected as Gates Scholars will receive funds in an amount to be determined by GMS based on financial need. The award will be based on the cost of tuition, fees, books and living expenses for the academic year, as well as the availability of grants and other scholarships reported on the financial aid award letter. Nomination materials must be submitted online before Monday, January 11, 2010 11:59 p.m. EST or postmarked on or before January 11, 2010. Visit <http://www.gmsp.org> for more information.

◆ **The ACT Poster Concept Contest**

Students can enter this contest by designing a poster that encourages other students to attend college and to take the ACT as their college entrance exam. The winning design concept will be used to produce the 2010-11 ACT test date information poster that will be distributed to high schools nationwide. The contest is open to high school students who are residents of any one of the 50 United States and who are eligible and applying for 2010 or 2011 admission to a 2 year or four year college in the US. The first place winner will receive a \$5000 non-renewable scholarship of his or her choice. Second and third place winners will receive \$2500 and \$1000 respectively. The official entry form and poster must be postmarked on or between October 19, 2009 and January 30, 2010. The Poster Concept Contest winners will be announced in March on the ACT website. Visit <http://www.actstudent.org/postercontest/index.html> for the entry form, info sheet and complete official rules.

◆ **The Washington Crossing Foundation**

The Washington Crossing Foundation is pleased to announce the 41st annual National Washington Crossing Foundation Scholarship Awards for students completing twelfth grade (or final high school year) in 2010 who are planning careers in government service. Scholarship applicants must be citizens of the United States. Interested students should visit www.gwcf.org. The deadline is January 15, 2010.

[February 2010 Due Dates](#)

◆ **NIAAA Scholarship**

The NIAAA Scholarship for senior male and female athletes. State level SCAAA will give \$500 to each male and female winner. Section 3 Level NIAAA will \$1000 to each male and female winner. National level NIAAA will give \$2000 to each male and female winner. For more information and an application please visit www.scaaa.org. Application and essay must be postmarked no later than February 1, 2010.

◆ **Ronald McDonald House Charities US Scholarship Program**

Students across the country work hard to earn top marks; they dream of the college they'll attend and the education they'll receive. Unfortunately, many of those students can't afford to get the education of their dreams. We want these students to reach their full potential. To help them accomplish this, our network of U.S. Chapters, along with RMHC Global, offer scholarships to students in financial need who have demonstrated academic achievement and community involvement. For more information, visit www.rmhc.com and to apply, [click here](#). The deadline is February 16, 2010.

◆ **Dr. Seuss's "Oh, the Places You'll Go!"**

Dr. Seuss's "Oh, the Places You'll Go!" College scholarship recognizes a high school senior who understands and values the limitless possibilities that education can offer with a \$5,000 scholarship award. Visit www.ohtheplaces.org to download an application. Entries must be postmarked by February 15, 2010.

◆ **Eighth Annual Co-op Scholarship Program**

The National Commission for Cooperative Education, on behalf of the eight NCCE Partner colleges and Universities, is pleased to announce and sponsor its Eighth Annual National Co-op Scholarship Program. As the largest independently sponsored merit co-op scholarships program in the United States, the National Commission will award 170 merit co-op scholarships of \$6,000 each, for total renewable value of \$4,200,000. These merit co-op scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors and transfer students who plan to participate in college cooperative education at one of our eight Partner Colleges and Universities. These include Drexel University, Johnson & Wales, Kettering University, PACE

University, Rochester Institute of Technology, University of Cincinnati, University of Toledo, Wentworth Institute of Technology. Deadline to apply is February 15, 2009. For more information, visit www.co-op.edu and then see your guidance counselor for an application. Applicants must have a GPA of 3.5 or better on a 4.0 scale.

◆ **Agriculture Scholarship**

Each year the National FFA Organization awards approximately \$2 million in scholarships designed to fit the diversity of our applicants. Scholarships are sponsored by businesses and individuals through the National FFA Foundation and are given for a wide variety of experiences, career goals and higher education plans. For more information and eligibility requirements please visit: http://www.ffa.org/index.cfm?method=c_programs.Scholarships. The deadline is February 15, 2010.

◆ **Burger King® Scholars Program**

Every year, the Burger King® Scholars Program helps graduating high school seniors build brighter futures. The awards (\$1,000 each) are sponsored annually by the fundraising efforts of Burger King Corporation, BURGER KING® franchisees and our restaurant guests in the United States, Canada, and Puerto Rico. An eligible applicant must be a current high school senior who will be enrolling full-time in the fall of the scholarship year. The applicant must also have a 2.5 or higher GPA, work part time for at least 15 hours per week, and demonstrate financial need and participation in community service and extracurricular activities. Deadline to apply is February 1, 2009. For more information you may visit their web site at: http://www.haveyourwayfoundation.org/burger_king_scholars_program.html.

◆ **South Carolina National Teenager Scholarship Organization**

Celebrating our 40th anniversary in 2010, America's National Teenager Scholarship Organization has awarded more than \$120 million in college scholarships. We remain committed to recognizing America's outstanding young women and are proud to help them achieve their future goals. ANTSO provides more than \$5 million annually to help young women meet their educational goals

The South Carolina National Teenager Scholarship Organization is now accepting applications for the 2010 South Carolina National Teenager Pageant to be held March 27, 2010, in Charlotte, NC. Academic performance is part of the scoring process in our program. Combining the elements of Alamos, scholarship, style and service, our ANTSO State and National Programs draw on a positive approach to pageantry that implements a scoring system focusing on the "real girl's, with no swimsuit or mandatory bleat competition. Deadline for entry is February 27, 2010. Visit www.nationalteen.com and/or www.ncscnationalteen.com for more information. Also, see your guidance counselor for an entry form.

◆ **The KFC Colonel's Scholars Program®**

The KFC Colonel's Scholars Program is about you, your dreams and aspirations, and the perseverance to succeed. This program is offered to high school seniors planning to attend a public in-state college or university. Students who meet the criteria may apply online to become a KFC's Colonel's Scholar. Students selected for this scholarship are eligible to receive up to \$20,000 to complete a bachelor's degree program. To be eligible to compete for the KFC Colonel's Scholars Scholarship, an individual must:

- Graduate from high school this academic year
- Earn a minimum cumulative high school GPA of 2.75
- Plan to pursue a bachelor's degree at a public, in-state college or university (start date no later than 9/30/10)
- Be a US citizen or permanent resident
- Demonstrate financial need

Visit www.kfcscholars.org to apply online. Applications may be submitted between December 1, 2009 and February 10, 2010.

◆ **Epsilon Sigma Alpha Foundation Scholarship**

Epsilon Sigma Alpha Foundation Scholarship offers about 150 scholarships a year for US and International students who meet the criteria of individual endowments. The information about the scholarships, requirements and applications are available on their website at www.esaintl.com/esaf. Completed applications with all the documentation must be submitted by February 1, 2010 to be considered for this academic year.

[March 2010 Due Dates](#)

◆ **Kohl's Kids**

Who Care Scholarship Program: Kohl's plans to recognize more than 2,000 kids with prizes ranging from \$50 Kohl's gift cards to \$5000 scholarships. Students (ages 6-18) should visit www.kohlskids.com to nominate themselves or others who have done great work to benefit the community. Nominations will be accepted February 1 through March 15.

[April 2010 Due Dates](#)

◆ **SunTrust Off To College for High School Seniors**

Free to enter and eligibility not based on GPA or financial need. Fifteen chances to win with one winner chosen every two weeks from October to May. Enter online at www.offtocollege.info beginning September 14, 2009 and no later than April 30, 2010. High school seniors can win a \$1,000 scholarship for their first year expenses at a college or private career school. One winner will be chosen every two weeks from October 30, 2009 through May 14, 2010.

Students can begin registering September 14, 2009, and the first drawing will be held October 30, 2009. Scholarship check will be payable to the winner's school of attendance. Only one entry per person for each drawing; however, students can register after each completed drawing for the next scheduled drawing. No purchase or transaction necessary to enter or win. Entrants must be at Least 13 years of age.

◆ **The Fountainhead Essay Contest**

The *Atlas Shrugged* Essay Contest is open to high school seniors and college students. There are 521 Prizes. More than \$81,000 in award money. For more information, visit their web site www.aynrandeducation.com. Entry deadline is April 26, 2010. Essay must be between 800 and 1,600 words in length.

[May 2010 Due Dates](#)

[June 2010 Due Dates](#)

◆ **South Carolina Tuition Grants Program**

Need-based grants awarded to qualified South Carolina residents who attend eligible South Carolina independent colleges. Must apply annually by submitting the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) on the internet at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Annual application receipt deadline of June 30, 2009. College freshmen must graduate in top 75% of high school class or score at least 900 on SAT or score at least 19 on ACT or graduate from high school with at least a 2.0 GPA on the South Carolina Uniform Grading Scale. See www.sctuitiongrants.com.

◆ **African American Women in Computer Science**

Scholarships from \$4000.00 to \$10,000.00 per year. AAWCS program runs until June, 2012. Contact Dr. Jason Black (Principal Investigator of this NSF Grant) at jblack@cis.famu.edu

◆ **BigSun Scholarship 2010**

The BigSun Organization is proud to be able to help young athletes succeed in their academic pursuits. In order to do our part we are offering an annual scholarship to a deserving student. All student athletes are eligible for this award, regardless of which sport they are participating in. Athletes may apply by sending a short essay answering the following question: *How has your participation in sports affected the person you are becoming?* All essay submissions should be sent to: athleticawards@bigsunathletics.com. For more information, visit <http://www.bigsunathletics.com>. The deadline is June 24, 2010.

◆ **Abbott and Fenner Scholarship Program**

Abbott and Fenner Business Consultants are pleased to be able to continue with their scholarship program for the 4th year. They will be awarding \$1000 to the winner(s) each year. Deadline is June 19, 2010. The application process requires an essay submission. Full details are available at www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm

[July 2010 Due Dates](#)

◆ **Southern Wesleyan University Scholarships**

Southern Wesleyan University awards institutional scholarships to those students that apply to SWU and are accepted. These scholarships range in value from \$3,000 to \$8,000 and are renewable for up to four years. Visit www.swu.edu for more information.

[Scholarships with Multiple Due Dates](#)

◆ **Anderson University**

Anderson University offers scholarships in Visual Art, Theatre, and Music. These scholarships are \$3500/year, \$4000/year, and \$6000/year respectively. Students must compete to win these scholarships. Competition dates are October 23, 2009, November 14, 2009, January 15, 2010, and February 26, 2010. Visit www.andersonuniversity.edu for more information.

[More Scholarships](#)

◆ **Army ROTC**

Full Scholarship - US Army, Army Reserve or Army National Guard. Visit <http://www.goarmy.com/rotc> or contact LTC Hale, USC, 803-777-3639. You may also visit www.highlanderbn.com or Brian Pinson for even more information.

◆ **Call Me Mister**

The "Call Me mister" Program is a collaboration between Clemson University and three private, historically black colleges in South Carolina (Benedict College, Claflin University, Morris College) to recruit, train, certify and secure employment for minority males as elementary teachers in the public schools of South Carolina. For scholarship information and an application, call 800-640-2657, www.callmemister.clemson.edu, or e-mail Mister@clemson.edu.

◆ **American Legion Scholarship**

Can attend college **free** in S.C. if parent was a war time veteran and met certain criteria: 1) was KIA 2) died while in service 3) died of disability resulting from service 4) was POW 5) is permanently and totally disabled, as determined by the VA from any cause 6) was awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor 7) is MIA or 8) applicant is the child of deceased veteran who qualified under items 4) and 5). Must go to state supported or Tec School. Eligibility terminates at age 26. Free tuition as long as work and conduct are satisfactory to the institution's governing body. Application: Write to Office of the Governor, Division of VA, 1801 Assembly Street, Room 230, Columbia, SC 29201. Phone: 803-255-4317

◆ **South Carolina Lottery Financial Assistance**

Information can be obtained at http://www.che.sc.gov/New_Web/GoingToCollege/FinAsst.htm for information regarding the LIFE, HOPE and Palmetto Fellows Scholarships.

◆ **LTAP (Lottery Tuition Assistance Plan)**

Some tuition at all two year colleges in South Carolina is covered by the regardless of income or GPA. The LTAP does require completion of the FAFSA as soon as you complete your tax returns each year. Many scholarships and institutional money require completion of the FAFSA yearly. See www.fafsa.ed.gov funding your education. A new FAFSA form is developed each year and will be available January 1, 2010 on their website. Use your 2008 income tax returns to complete this form on-line. The LIFE Scholarship at a two year college requires a 3.00 GPA (final senior GPA as of June, 2010) and covers a substantial amount of tuition and book fees. The LIFE Scholarship at a two year school does not require completion of the FAFSA but we strongly encourage you to complete the FAFSA.

◆ **Navy ROTC**

Over 160 Colleges and Universities. Apply on-line at <https://www.nrotc.navy.mil>. For more information: www.navy.com/careers/nrotc.

[Even More Scholarships](#)

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www.finaid.org Lists multiple scholarships.

www.winscholarships.com Lists multiple scholarships.

www.college-scholarships.com Lists multiple scholarships.

www.cashe.com Lists multiple scholarships.

www.meritaid.com Lists multiple scholarships.

www.excellence.org Academic Scholarships.

www.tmsf.org Thurgood Marshall – Historically Black Universities.

www.statefarm.com Exceptional student fellowship.

www.horacemann.com Parent must be employed by public school district or public college.

www.makingcollegecount.com Sponsored by Chevrolet.

<http://sportsfigures.espn.go.com> Academic achievement, service, and interscholastic sports.

www.kidschancesc.org Must be dependent upon someone who has been seriously or fatally injured as a result of a work-related accident or occupational disease.