# WESLEY CHAPEL HIGH SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIP NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2012

For further information on any of the following scholarships, please see Ms. Kiser in Room 424. This list is NOT all-inclusive. This is a compilation of all scholarships directly received by the school. Please be sure to check this list monthly! Students may use the WCHS Careers Lab to access scholarship applications online. See Ms. Kiser to schedule a time to use the lab before or after school.

\*\*Beware of any scholarships that request an application fee. For more information on protecting yourself from scholarship scams, visit: http://www.finaid.org/scholarships/protecting.phtml.

Senior Parents: The federal government requires the filing of a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) to consider students for aid. Many other scholarships also require this form be on file. This CANNOT be filed before January 1, 2012, but must be completed as soon as possible after that date. Please plan now by logging into www.fafsa.ed.gov for further information.

All seniors will have the opportunity to apply for the Bright Futures scholarships in our computer lab in January. If you would like to check your status today towards an award, log onto <a href="www.facts.org">www.facts.org</a> and click on high school academic evaluation.

For all grade levels:

## **American Legion Scholarships**

Amount: Various Award Amounts

Deadline: Various Deadlines

Description: The American Legion has several scholarships available for high school students.

Contact: www.legion.org/scholarships for grade-level requirements and other eligibility criteria.

## **DeBartalo Family Foundation**

Amount: \$2,500

Deadline: April 2, 2012

Description: The DeBartalo Family Foundation awards scholarships to students who have achieved

academic excellence despite financial obstacles.

Contact: www.debartolofamilyfoundation.com or see Ms Kiser for more information.

## WiseChoice.com "Find the Right College" Scholarship

Amount: \$2,500

Deadline: May 31, 2012

Description: Open to US students graduating from high school in 2012-2015.

Contact: www.wisechoice.com

For juniors and seniors:

## **Christian College Scholarship Drawing**

Amount: \$2,500

Deadline: Not specified

Description: www.christianconnector.com is a FREE Christian college information service that will

automatically enter students in a drawing for a scholarship just by logging in to request

information on Christian colleges.

### **Naval ROTC Scholarships**

Amount: Up to full tuition
Deadline: Not Specified

Description: NROTC scholarships are available for several schools in Florida and across the country.

High School Juniors are eligible to apply in the spring of their junior year.

Contact: <a href="http://nrotc.navy.com">http://nrotc.navy.com</a> for applications and details on eligibility.

For seniors only:

## **American Chemistry Society Scholars Program**

Amount: Maximum of \$5,000 per year.

Deadline: March 2012

Description: Applicants must be African-American, Hispanic/Latino, or American Indian; be a full-

time student at a high school or accredited college, university, or community college; be a graduating high school senior, college freshman, sophomore or junior intending to or already majoring in chemistry, biochemistry, chemical engineering or a chemically-related science OR intending to or already pursuing a degree in chemical technology; be planning a career in the chemical sciences; demonstrate high academic achievement in chemistry or science; demonstrate financial need according to the Free Application for Federal Student Aid form and the Student Aid Report form. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent

residents of the U.S., GPA: 3.0 or higher.

Contact: Robert J. Hughes, Manager, American Chemistry Society, 1155 16th Street NW,

Washington, DC 20036; (800) 227 - 5558, Ext. 6250; scholars@acs.org;

## The Art Institute High School Competitions

Amount: Various amounts Deadline: Not specified

Description: The Art Institute is sponsoring several high school scholarship competitions for future

students. Competitions include, Photography, Best Teen Chef, Poster Design, and Passion

for Fashion competitions.

Contact: www.artinstitutes.edu/competitions/high-school.aspx for more information.

## **Aspiring Animation Professional Scholarship Program**

Amount: \$1000

Deadline: May 1, 2012

Description: Our program offers scholarship opportunities to high school seniors in three states:

California, Florida, and Ohio. Scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors who intend to pursue an animation related field at an accredited post-secondary school or college, have a demonstrable record of academic success, and have a passion and drive for

an animation and/or design related career.

Contact: Information, application, and essay information may be found at

www.AnimationCareerReview.com

### Aver Information Scholarship Award

Amount: \$5,000 distributed over of four years

Deadline: March 27, 2012

Description: Applicants must be a graduating high school senior entering an accredited four year

college/university. Proof of college acceptance and enrollment will be required. To receive future payments of the scholarship, students must submit a copy of their updated college transcript at the closing of each school year; must be enrolled full-time over the course of

four years and maintain a 2.5 GPA.

Contact: Rebecca Treachler, Scholarship Coordinator, AVerMedia Technologies, Inc., 423 Dixon

Landing Rd., Milpitas, CA 95035; (408) 263 - 3828

http://www.avermedia-usa.com/presentation/scholarship.asp

#### **AXA Foundation Scholarships**

Amount: Various amounts

Deadline: Various deadlines

Description: The AXA Foundation awards over \$1 million in scholarships to high school seniors each

year. Eligibility requirements vary by scholarship.

Contact: http://www.axa-equitable.com/axa-foundation/AXA-achievement-access.html for

scholarship descriptions and online applications.

# **Big Sun Scholarship**

Amount: \$500

Deadline: June 22, 2012

Description: The successful applicant will be attending a post-secondary institute and currently involved

in some sport at that institution or in the community. Students must include a short essay answering the following questions with their applications: "How has your education contributed to who you are today? Why do you want to earn a college education?"

Contact: www.bigsunathletics.com

## **Call Me MISTER Scholarships**

Amount: Up to full tuition Deadline: Not specified

Description: This scholarship is for students from underserved, underprivileged, or economically

disadvantaged backgrounds. Students must be accepted into a participating college or

university in which they plan to earn a teaching degree. Contact:

www.callmemister.clemson.edu for an application and more information.

## **CHCI Scholarship**

Amount: 1,000 community college or AA/AS granting institution; \$2,500 4-year academic

institution; \$5,000 graduate-level institution

Deadline: Mid-April

Description: The mission of CHCI Scholarship Program is to provide critical financial assistance that

will increase graduation rates among Latino students. Opportunities are afforded to Latino students in the United States who have a history of performing public service-oriented activities in their communities and who demonstrate a desire to continue their civic engagement in the future. There is no GPA or academic major requirement. Students with

excellent leadership potential are encouraged to apply.

Contact: Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute (CHCI), 911 2nd Street NE, Washington, DC

20002; 1-800-EXCEL-DC; http://www.chci.org/scholarships

## Florida Association of Postsecondary Schools and Colleges

Amount: \$1000, \$5000, full scholarships are awarded

Deadline: April 6, 2012

Description: These scholarships are awarded to high school graduates and GED recipients to further

their education for short-term diplomas to four-year college degrees in a variety of programs including healthcare, cosmetology, computer information technology and

culinary arts.

Contact: <u>www.FAPSC.org</u> or <u>www.FLCareers.org</u> to fill out an application and discover

participating institutions. E-mail any questions to scholarship@FAPSC.org

Description: This scholarship is for PTSA members who are citizens and are planning to attend a four

year university located in the state of Florida.

Contact: Ms. Kiser will give you a copy of the application.

## **HSF/Verizon Foundation Scholarship**

Amount: \$5,000

Deadline: July 20, 2011.

Description: Applicants must be of Hispanic heritage and a U.S. citizen or a permanent resident. They

must be enrolled full-time at a 4-year undergraduate institution and possess a minimum 3.0

GPA. Applicants must apply for FAFSA and be majoring in one of the following: Accounting, Business Administration, Finance, Hospitality Administration, Human Resource Management, Management, Marketing, Computer Science, Computer

Engineering, Information Technology, Electrical, Industrial, or Mechanical Engineering.

Contact: Hispanic Scholarship Fund; http://www.hsf.net/Verizon Foundation.aspx

### Law Firm for Family Law

Amount: \$500-1000 Deadline: March 31, 2012

Description: The awards will go to three graduating seniors from Pinellas or Pasco counties who will be

attending an accredited university in the United States, full time, starting in the fall

semester of 2012.

Contact: www.TheLawFirmForFamilyLaw.com

## **Minority Geoscience Undergraduate Scholarships**

Amount: \$500-\$3,000 per year.

Deadline: March 1, 2012

Description: Applicants must be geosciences majors (or a related field) who are U.S. citizens and

members of the following underrepresented ethnic minority groups: African-American, Hispanic, and Native American (American Indian, Eskimo, Hawaiian, and Samoan). Related geosciences fields include geology, geophysics, hydrology, meteorology, physical

oceanography, planetary geology, and earth-science education.

Contact: Cindy Martinez, Director, American Geological Institute, 4200 King Street, Alexandria,

VA 22302; (703) 379-2480 ext. 216; mpp@agiweb.org; http://www.agiweb.org/mpp

## National Reach: Warner Bros. Animation Hanna - Barbera Honorship

Amount: \$10,000 college scholarship and paid summer internships during college

Deadline: First Monday of March, no later than 5PM.

Description: Applicants must be graduating high school senior that will major in animation in college. Contact: Michelle Yates, Warner Bros. Entertainment Inc., 4000 Warner Blvd., Burbank, CA

91522; (818) 954 - 1998; Michelle. Yates@WarnerBros.com;

http://www.WBCommunityConnection.com

#### National Society of Professional Engineers Scholarship

Amount: \$1,000-\$2,500 Deadline: March 1, 2012

Description: Scholarships are for high school seniors graduating in top 25% of their class studying

engineering. Special scholarships are available for minorities and women. Scholarships are

issued by state chapters: call the NSPE for state chapter contacts

Contact: Janelle Coleman, National Society of Professional Engineers, 1420 King Street,

Alexandria, VA 22314-2715; (703) 684 - 2800; jcoleman@nspe.org; http://www.nspe.org

#### Raymond W. Sarber Awards

Amount: \$1,500 plus framed certificate.

Deadline: July 1, 2012.

Description: Money will be awarded to undergraduate and predoctoral students attending accredited

U.S. university enrolled in a microbiology-related major.

Contact: American Society for Microbiology, 1752 N St. NW, Washington, DC 20036;

awards@asmusa.org

### **Northwood University Academic Merit Scholarships**

Amount: Various scholarships ranging from \$16,000 to \$36,000

Deadline: Not specified

Description: Northwood University has several scholarships available based on academic achievement

and involvement with school activities.

Contact: www.northwood.edu for eligibility requirements and an application.

## **Oglethorpe University**

Amount: \$3,500 per year, renewable for 4 years

Deadline: Not specified

Description: Oglethorpe University recognizes the academic achievement of Florida residents who

graduate with a state GPA of 3.0 or higher.

Contact: www.oglethorpe.edu for more information.

## St. Joseph's College Brooklyn Campus

Amount: Up to full-tuition Deadline: Not specified

Description: All of St. Joseph's scholarships are awarded based on academic achievement.

Contact: www.sjcny.edu for specific award requirements.

## Society of Exploration Geophysics Scholarship

Amount: \$500-\$14,000 Deadline: March 2012

Description: Applicants should be entering freshmen and undergraduate students in financial need

maintaining above average grades. Students should be pursuing a career in geophysics,

physics, mathematics and/or geology.

Contact: Bernadette Ward, Society of Exploration Geophysicists, P.O. Box 702740, Tulsa, OK

74170-2740; (918) 497 - 5524; scholarships@seg.org; http://www.seg.org

## University Honors Program at the University of South Florida St. Petersburg

Amount: \$1,000 per year, renewable for 4 years

Deadline: Not specified

Description: Candidates for the University Honors Program must have a high school GPA of 3.7 or

above with a combined SAT math and verbal score of 1250 or higher, or ACT score of

29 or higher.

Contact: www.stpt.usf.edu/coas/honors

#### www.WeeklyScholarshipAlert.org

This site if a free resource that does not gather personal information beyond name and email address. Log on to receive 1-5 scholarship notices each week.

#### www.scholarships.com

This site is a key resource featuring a wealth of financial aid information and free scholarship searches.

#### www.fastweb.com

Go here to create a profile for yourself. You will then receive regular email updates informing you of new scholarships to apply for.

#### www.ecampustours.com

In addition to providing virtual tours of over 1,300 college campuses, this Web site also offers a free scholarship search.

Remember to also check with the office of financial aid at the institutions you are applying to. There are many school specific scholarships and grants available this way. Some examples of these scholarships are listed by school at <a href="https://www.meritaid.com">www.meritaid.com</a>.

### Salliemae.com/scholarships

This free scholarship search provides students with access to an award database containing more than 3 million scholarships worth over \$16 billion. The site is expanded and updated daily.

## http://educatorsconnection.com/

This Web site contains information on thousands of scholarships as well as information on over 600 schools and summer programs for high school students.

www.studentscholarships.org

http://www.scholarshipsandgrants.us/scholarships-highschool-seniors/