

## Scholarship Web Search

Below is a list of sites that can be used to track down college funding. The following sites will point you to scholarship lists, tips, and resources **for free**. *Never* pay for these services. Most scholarship search services require you to fill out a personal profile listing your individual characteristics and accomplishments. The program then combs the database of scholarships to find those that you may be eligible for, according to the information that you gave in the profile. Again, you should *never* have to pay to use a scholarship search service. **Any** of the factors could qualify you for a scholarship, so be sure to complete **all** information in the profile

- 1) [www.Americorps.gov](http://www.Americorps.gov)
- 2) [www.cashe.com/runsearch.html](http://www.cashe.com/runsearch.html)
- 3) [www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)
- 4) [www.collegenet.com](http://www.collegenet.com)
- 5) [www.collegequest.com](http://www.collegequest.com)
- 6) [www.embark.com](http://www.embark.com)
- 7) [www.fastaid.com](http://www.fastaid.com)
- 8) [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)
- 9) [www.finaid.com](http://www.finaid.com)
- 10) [www.gocollege.com](http://www.gocollege.com)
- 11) [www.collegequest.com](http://www.collegequest.com)
- 12) [www.scholaraid.com](http://www.scholaraid.com)
- 13) [www.scholarships101.com](http://www.scholarships101.com)
- 14) [www.4scholarships.com](http://www.4scholarships.com)
- 15) [www.smexpress.com](http://www.smexpress.com)
- 16) [www.college-scholarships.com](http://www.college-scholarships.com)
- 17) Absolutely Scholarships – [www.absolutelyscholarships.com](http://www.absolutelyscholarships.com)
- 18) Aclsop – [www.acls.org](http://www.acls.org)
- 19) Actuarial Scholarships for Minority Students – [www.beanactuary.org](http://www.beanactuary.org)
- 20) Ambassadorial Scholarships – [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)
- 21) American Indian Fund – [www.collegefund.org](http://www.collegefund.org)
- 22) American Scholars Academy (must be under 25 yrs old) – [www.naas.org](http://www.naas.org)
- 23) Americorps – [www.cns.gov](http://www.cns.gov)
- 24) Art, Film, Writing Scholarships/ Competitions List [www.xensei.com/users/adl](http://www.xensei.com/users/adl)
- 25) ASWA (women accountants only) – [www.aswa4.org](http://www.aswa4.org)
- 26) Ayn Rand Foundation – [www.aynrand.org](http://www.aynrand.org)
- 27) Baptist Scholarships – [www.free-4u.com](http://www.free-4u.com)
- 28) Brand Essay Competition – [www.instituteforbrandleadership.org](http://www.instituteforbrandleadership.org)
- 29) Ron Brown Scholar Program (major scholarships) [www.ronbrown.org](http://www.ronbrown.org)
- 30) College Health Scholarship -  
<http://www.scholarships.com/health-scholarship/college-health-scholarship.aspx>
- 31) College Scholarships – [www.collegescholarships.com](http://www.collegescholarships.com)
- 32) Discover Card Tribute Award Scholarships – [www.aasa.org](http://www.aasa.org)
- 33) Federal Scholarships & Aid Gateways – [www.fedmoney.org](http://www.fedmoney.org)
- 34) Financial Aid Resource Center – [www.theoldschool.org/scholars2.asp](http://www.theoldschool.org/scholars2.asp)

- 35)Foundation of the National Student Nurse Association (FSNA) - <http://www.nsna.org/foundation/scholarships/undergrad.asp>
- 36)Gates Millennium Scholarships (for minorities) – [www.gmsp.org](http://www.gmsp.org)
- 37)Gateways to US Government Grants – [www.students.gov](http://www.students.gov)
- 38)GE and Lulac Scholarship Funds – [www.lulac.org](http://www.lulac.org)
- 39)Harry S. Truman Scholarship Site – [www.truman.gov](http://www.truman.gov)
- 40)Hispanic College Fund – [www.hispanicfund.org](http://www.hispanicfund.org)
- 41)Hispanic Scholarship Fund – [www.hsf.net](http://www.hsf.net)
- 42)Holocaust Remembrance Scholarships – [www.holocaust.hklaw.com](http://www.holocaust.hklaw.com)
- 43)Hope Scholarships & Lifetime Credits – [www.ed.gov/offices/ope/hope/indep.html](http://www.ed.gov/offices/ope/hope/indep.html)
- 44)Inroads Internships – [www.inroads.org](http://www.inroads.org)
- 45)International Students Scholarships & Aid – [www.iefaf.org](http://www.iefaf.org)
- 46)NACME Scholarship Program – Scholarship Program – [www.nacme.org](http://www.nacme.org)
- 47)National Merit Award – [www.nationalmerit.org](http://www.nationalmerit.org)
- 48)Microsoft Scholarship Program – [www.microsoft.com/college](http://www.microsoft.com/college)
- 49)“Olympics in the Mind” Scholarships – [www.naacp.org](http://www.naacp.org)
- 50)Pacific Northwest Scholarship Guide – <http://collegeplan.org>
- 51)Jackie Robinson Foundation – [www.jackerobinson.org](http://www.jackerobinson.org)
- 52)The ROTC Scholarships – [www.todaysmilitary.com](http://www.todaysmilitary.com)
- 53)Sallie Mae’s Free Online Scholarships – [www.salliemae.com](http://www.salliemae.com)
- 54)Scholarships – [www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com)
- 55)The Scholarship Page – [www.scholarship-page.com](http://www.scholarship-page.com)
- 56)State Farm Insurance Achievement Scholarships – [www.statefarm.com/foundati/awards.htm](http://www.statefarm.com/foundati/awards.htm)
- 57)Thompson Peterson’s – [www.petersons.com/finaid](http://www.petersons.com/finaid)
- 58)Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund – [www.thurgoodmarshallfund.org](http://www.thurgoodmarshallfund.org)
- 59)Tylenol Scholarships - [www.scholarship.tylenol.com](http://www.scholarship.tylenol.com)
- 60)United Negro College Fund/Merck Science Initiative – [www.uncf.org/merck/program.htm](http://www.uncf.org/merck/program.htm)

FYI: Just because you are starting school does not mean your scholarship search should end. You should continue searching until you near the end of your education program. Any scholarship money you are awarded will go towards your educational expense. Good Luck!

Note – The sites listed above were obtained from several sources and some of the scholarships may have already been exhausted for this year. However, keep this document to utilize these sites for the upcoming school year.

## **What Makes A Good Scholarship Essay?**

When applying for scholarships to help with your college educational expenses, a good essay is an extremely important part of your application. Most applicants can boast of memberships in clubs and sports but the essay is one place where you can set yourself apart from other students.

*A good essay should:*

- Be typewritten and neatly printed
- Approximately one page in length (4-5 paragraphs)
- Explain why you believe you are the best candidate for this particular scholarship
- Give specific information into why you are pursuing your major
- Be explicit why you chose your college
- Give the scholarship committee insight into your personality, interests, motivations and goals
- Tell of significant people or events in your life that have helped shape your interests, attitudes, goals, etc.
- Give an explanation of special circumstances you feel would be important for the scholarship committee to know when reviewing your application.
- Demonstrate that you have put as much effort into the writing of your essay as you would expect the scholarship committee to put into reviewing your application
- Proofread, proofread, and proofread! (absolutely no mistakes)