2024-2025 Scholarship List

Check out the "Scholarhip Corner" on Mrs. Victoria Williams'
Teacher Website (www.leonschools.net/williamsv3) to access PDFs of
applications for Local Scholarships below and More!

FAFSA Info

Dear Students and Families,

We are excited to inform you that the 2025-2026 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is now open! Completing the FAFSA is an essential step in securing financial aid for college, including grants, scholarships, work-study opportunities, and federal student loans.

Why Complete the FAFSA?

- Access to Financial Aid: Many colleges, universities, and scholarships require the FAFSA for eligibility.
- Maximize Your Opportunities: Submitting your application early can help ensure you meet priority deadlines for the most aid.

How to Get Started:

- 1. Create your Going Merry Account: <u>Student</u> Account or <u>Parent Account</u>
- 2. Students, be sure to list our school in your profile.
- 3. Complete the <u>FAFSA Preparation Assignment</u> and review the FAFSA Insights presentation.
- 4. Go to the FAFSA page and get started!
- Need Help? Consult Going Merry's <u>FAFSA Knowledge Base</u>, contact me, or email the Going Merry team of financial aid advisors at <u>fafsa@goingmerry.com</u>.

We encourage you to complete the FAFSA as soon as possible to take full advantage of the financial aid available. If you have any questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Your Counselors

Local	Description	Deadline
Scholarship		
Florida Visionary Scholarship	Scholarship Value \$5,000 grant per year for up to four years of full-time enrollment, helping offset tuition and expenses. A Program offered by Wallot that celebrates academic, athletic, and extracurricular achievement by awarding recipients a yearlymerit scholarship toward their college's cost of attendance. Wallot is a Tampa-based tech firmspecializing in AI and Fintech. We launched the Florida Visionary Scholarship to support local students and foster innovation in our community. Submit your application today by visiting wallot.app/scholarships.	Priority applications close on February 28 at 11:59 pm EST Late submissions are accepted until March 23 at 11:59 pm EST
Omega Psi Phi	The Chi Omega Chapter fo the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity,	March 21,
Fraternity, Inc Chi	Incorporated is conducting its annual scholarship selection	2025
Omega Chapter	process. The chapter will select area high school seniors to	
Annual	receive monetary scholarship awards payable to their chosen	
Scholarship	institution of higher learning. The scholarship committee will evaluate all applicants based upon their academic record, honors and extra curricular activities in school and within the community. The committee will also judge the applicants ability to express themselves in written (essay)communication. Each applicant is required to type a 200-300 word essay with their application. Students should be advised to complete the application along with an essay and return by email at rattlers85@yahoo.com . For an application, see Mrs. V. Williams in the Front office or her Teacher Websitewww.leonschools.net/williamsv3, Your Guidance Counselor, English Teacher, or Mr. Hankerson in AVID.	

New Leon County Chapter Florida A & M University National Alumni Association	The V. L. Elkins Scholarship Program was established to provide educational opportunities to high school Seniors in Leon county, who have been accepted and will be attending Florida A&M University. In 2003 the scholarship committee deemed it necessary to include the community college students as part of the Program.	March 28, 2025
V.L. Elkins Scholarship Program	The scholarship program was named after Mr. Virgil L. Elkins who had given many years of dedicated service to the chapter, and was a former chapter president. Mr. Elkins was a Farmers Home Extension Officer for many years and was a servant to his church and the community.	
	This program has grown tremendously over the years due to the outstanding leadership of the chairpersons, and committee members who have worked hard to provide many golden opportunities for young minds to grow and develop at Florida's Opportunity UniversityFAMU!	
	To be considered for the scholarship, please view the Scholarship Criteria and submit the following:	
	 A completed application form; <u>Scholarship Application</u> Submit two letters of recommendation from non-relatives, who are members of your community and who can attest to your character, school and/or community involvement and potential for future success; and 	
Carrela Cierra	3. Submit a copy the applicant's official transcript (sealed).	Manala 20
South City	Scholarship Value: \$2,000	March 28,
Foundation, Inc. Alex Boyd	In honor of Alexander Boyd, a graduate of Rickards High School, the South City Foundation awards two Community	2025 *Must leave
Scholarship	Service Scholarships in the amount of \$2,000 to a graduating	completed
Jenolarsinp	senior from Rickards High School. Alexander Boyd was	applications at
	dedicated to giving back and serving his community. The	the Rickards
	recipient of the Alexander Boyd Scholarship exemplifies strong	

	values in community service through their proven track record	High Front
	of volunteer effort and community service. For an application,	Office
	see Mrs. V. Williams in the Front office or her Teacher	
	Website-www.leonschools.net/williamsv3, Your Guidance	
	Counselor, English Teacher, or Mr. Hankerson in AVID. How to	
	Submit Application and Deadline: Applicants must leave their	
	completed application at the Rickards High front office by	
	Friday, March 28, 2025.	
Gulf Winds Credit	Scholarship Value: \$5,000	March 28,
Union Scholarship	Gulf Winds believes in the power of education and is proud to	2025
·	support and celebrate accomplished students. Every year, we	
	award five scholarships to a diverse group of young people	
	pursuing further education.	
	The 2025-2026 Gulf Winds Scholarship Program is now open!	
	If you're a high school senior, a student planning to attend	
	trade school, or a student currently enrolled in higher	
	education courses seeking a career in the medical field, please	
	apply. For more information, visit	
	https://www.gogulfwinds.com/scholarship	
Alpha Kappa	Requirements: 3.0 GPA, Proven Student Leader, Two (2)	March 30,
Alpha Sorority,	letters of recommendation, Essay. Application must be	2025 at 11:59
Inc. Delta Kappa	submitted electronically. Student applicants are required to	pm
Omega Chapter	have either their counselor or advisor upload the page from	·
High School and	their transcript reflecting the student's Cumulative GPA.	
Collegiate		
Scholarships	To access the 2025 High School Delta Kappa Omega Chapter	
·	Scholarship Application, please use the following	
	link: https://forms.gle/oM2u7afdRQmJfE6t6	
	The Delta Kappa Omega Chapter has awarded thousands of	
	dollars in scholarships to deserving high school students in the	
	Big Bend area throughout the years and we are happy to be able	
	to continue this program to assist area scholars. Please send any	

	questions to Brenda C. Spencer at spencerbc99@aol.com or	
	(850) 321-8002.	
	For the flyer with QR Code, see Mrs. V. Williams in the Front	
	office or her Teacher Website-	
	www.leonschools.net/williamsv3, Your Guidance Counselor, English Teacher, or Mr. Hankerson in AVID.	
Self-Help Credit	Scholarship Value: \$1,000	March 31,
Union	Apply for the chance to receive \$1,000 towards your tuition.	2025
Community	For students committed to positive change in their	2023
Scholarship	communities. Open to learners of any age pursuing any type of	
Scholarship	higher education. To appy visit <u>www.self-help.org/scholarship</u>	
Mercedes Hall	Scholarship Value: \$1,000	March 31,
Thomas	This scholarship was created in memory of our beloved	2025 by 5:00
Scholarship	mother, Merceds Hall Thomas. The scholarship is awarded to a	p.m.
	student who attends James S. Rickards High School and	'
	embodies the principles community involvement, leadership,	
	and academic achievement. The scholarship will be awarded	
	to a student that has been accepted and attends either TCC,	
	FAMU, or FSU. The scholarship amount is \$1,000.00. For an	
	application, see Mrs. V. Williams in the Front office or her	
	Teacher Website-www.leonschools.net/williamsv3, Your	
	Guidance Counselor, English Teacher, or Mr. Hankerson in	
	AVID. For more information, please contact Brenda Christie at	
	850-878-0664.	
Southern	Earn \$73,000 in Scholarship Award With Rent-Free Housing	April 1, 2025
Scholarship	The SSF supports students with limited financial resources	
Foundation (SSF)	who demonstrate excellent academic merit and exemplify	
	good character to attend institutions of higher education.	
	Student Benefits: Save \$18,400 per year in housing costs,	
	Leadership development opportunities, Stable food & housing	
	security, Peer support, Access to no cost mental health	
	counseling. Partner Institutions: FAMU, FGCU, FSU, TSC, SF, UF	
	APPLICATIONS FOR FALL 2025 ARE NOW OPEN!	

	Join Southern Scholarship Foundation's rent-free living and learning community.	
	https://southernscholarship.org/	
First Commerce	Scholarship Value: \$1,000	Friday, April 4,
Credit Union	At First Commerce, we are committed to empowering	2025
MyWay	generations and transforming the communities we serve. One	
Scholarship	way we do that is by helping to build bright financial futures	
	through our MyWay Scholarship program. First Commerce will	
	award two \$1,000 scholarships to students pursuing degrees	
	in higher education. For the flyer with application access via	
	QR Code see Mrs. V. Williams in the Front office or her	
	Teacher Website-www.leonschools.net/williamsv3, Your	
	Guidance Counselor, English Teacher, or Mr. Hankerson in	
	AVID.	
National	Scholarship Value: The first-place award recipient will receive	April 13, 2025
Association of	\$2500, second place will receive \$1500, and third place will	
Buffalo Soldiers &	receive \$1000.	
Troopers	The Edwin Bethea Scholarship honors the memory and	
Motorcycle Club	dedication of NABSTMC™ Tallahassee Chapter member Edwin	
(NABSTMC™)	Arthur "Bravo 6" Bethea. He was a proud graduate of Florida	
2025 Scholarship	A&M and a commissioned 2nd Lt. in the US Army. He faithfully	
Program	served our country for 20 years, including three tours of duty	
Tallahassee, FL	in Vietnam. He retired from the military in 1981. Mr. Bethea	
Chapter Edwin	embarked on a 20-year career with the Leon County Public	
Arthur Bethea	School System as a teacher and administrator. He served as	
Scholarship	the first African American principal of Cobb Middle School and,	
	subsequently, principal of Griffin Middle School. This	
	scholarship serves as financial assistance to offset the cost for	
	graduating high school seniors attending secondary	
	institutions.	

New "Phillippians Four Seasons, Inc." presents The North Florida Gold Cup Award Academic Scholarship	Applications may be downloaded from https://bsmctally.com Under the tab scholarship/charities, you will find the application. Completed applications and required documents must be attached as MS Word documents or scanned in PDF format, in ONE (1) PDF file and emailed to tallybsmc@gmail.com on or before the stated deadline. Scholarship Value: \$1,000 The North Florida Gold Cup Award Academic Scholarship is for high school seniors enrolled in Leon and Gadsden Counties, Florida. The students must be interested in enrolling in an institution of higher education, pursuing a four-year degree with an interest in Music Education, Elementary Education, Secondary Education, Health Care, Social Sciences or a Business related major. For an application, see Mrs. V. Williams in the Front office or her Teacher Website-	Tuesday, April 15, 2025
	www.leonschools.net/williamsv3, Your Guidance Counselor, English Teacher, or Mr. Hankerson in AVID.	
The National Hook-Up of Black Women, Inc. Gwen Cherry Scholarship	Scholarship Value: \$1,000 The Gwen Cherry Scholarship was created to enable Black female students who have demonstrated exemplary academic achievement, extracurricular involvement, a commitment to volunteerism in the pursuit of higher education, and a passion for making the world a better place. Two scholarships of one thousand dollars each are available for students meeting the prescribed criteria. The scholarship is open to students admitted to Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University, Florida State University, or Tallahassee State College. For an application, see Mrs. V. Williams in the Front office or her Teacher Website-www.leonschools.net/williamsv3, Your Guidance Counselor, English Teacher, or Mr. Hankerson in AVID.	Friday, May 2, 2025

Scholarship	Description	Deadline
Variety of Scholarships	*See Mrs. V. Williams in the front office (upstairs) to access scholarship guides titled, <u>The Ultimate Scholarship Book 2023</u> , <u>The Ultimate Scholarship Book 2024</u> , and <u>The Full Ride Scholarships Book 2024</u> . Scholarships are listed by school, subjects, challenges, topics, and more.	Varies
Florida Shines	General information about scholarships that may be available at Paying for College in Florida Florida Education Costs (floridashines.org)	Varies
BigFuture CollegeBoard Scholarships and More	What can you do with BigFuture? You can check out careers you're interested in. You can find colleges based on what's important to you. You can discover ways to pay for college. You can take the "Scholarship Quiz" and begin applying for scholarships. Visit https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/	Varies
U.S. Air Force Scholarship	We are dedicated to developing leaders of tomorrow who will go on to fulfill the Air Force MISSION, represent our CORE VALUES and live up to the rich HISTORY of Air Force ROTC. We have different types of scholarships so you are focusing on school, not paying for it. For more information: https://www.afrotc.com/scholarships/high-school/types/	Varies
University of Miami Scholarships	The Office of Academic Enhancement has detailed information and application instructions on many major awards at the University of Miami. For more information visit: https://oae.miami.edu/prestigious-awards-and-fellowships/search-scholarship-listings/index.html	Varies
Bright Futures Scholarship Program	The Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program has helped more than 950,000 Florida students attend a postsecondary institution. Bright Futures awards include: Florida Academic	No later than August 31 after

	Scholars award (FAS), Florida Medallion Scholars award (FMS), Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars award (GSC) and the Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars award (GSV). Visit https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/ for more information and https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/	high school graduation
	to access the application. The application opens October 1 st .	
	*Apply even if you initially think you are going out of state to school.	
Equitable Excellence Scholarship	The 2025 scholarship will open in the fall of 2024 with a renewed focus to recognize students who show potential by demonstrating the qualities of leadership, determination and resilience as critical enablers of their future success. For more information: https://equitable.com/foundation/equitable-excellence-scholarship	Application opens in Fall of 2024; apply early
Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Introduction to Technology, Engineering, and Science (MITES) Programs	Calling All Juniors! MITES provides transformative, FREE of cost STEM programs for students from diverse, underrepresented and underserved backgrounds. MITES Semester: Six-month hybrid STEM experience for rising high school seniors from across the U.S., June through December MITES Summer: Six-week residential STEM experience for rising high school seniors from across the U.S. For flyer and more information, see Mrs. V. Williams in the front office or visit mites.mit.edu	Apply now!
The Computing Community for Good (CCG) Scholars Program Scholarship of the University of Maine	Scholarship Value: \$7,500 annually CCG Scholars Receive: • \$7,500 annual scholarship • Early move-in to a dedicated computer science residence hall • Faculty and peer mentorship	We have a rolling deadline but give priority to applications on a first-come first-served

	Exclusive professional development workshops and events Personal introduction to key campus resources Eligibility Requirements: Must be accepted to the University of Maine's School of Computing and Information Science Major in Computer Science Minimum 3.0 GPA (high school or community college) Pell Grant-eligible The CCG program fosters a close-knit community where scholars can learn from each other, collaborate on projects, and receive guidance from experienced faculty and industry professionals. This program provides a unique opportunity for students to excel in their academic pursuits while preparing for a rewarding career in the everevolving field of computer science. Interested students can find more information and application materials on the CCG Scholarship Program website and reach out to Dr. Laura Gurney: https://umaine.edu/scis/https-umaine-edu-scis-computing-community-for-good-scholars-program/	basis. We plan to start interviews towards the end of January and continue through March.
New Ben Brock Memorial Scholarship	Scholarship Value \$7,500 Ben Brock was a lifelong learner in the fields of computer science and geography. Ben was constantly improving himself by continuously developing new knowledge and skills, and he acted as a mentor to everyone around him and was happy to let others learn from him.	March 29, 2025

	This scholarship aims to honor the life of Ben Brock by supporting lifelong learners who are active military, veterans, or the family members of active military or veterans. Any high school senior, undergraduate student, or graduate student majoring in geography, software engineering, or computer science may apply for this scholarship if they're active military members, veterans, or the family members of military members or veterans. To apply, tell us how you became interested in geography or computer science/software engineering and what your connection to the military is. For more information, visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/33043/ben-brock-memorial-scholarship	
Foundation for	Scholarship Value: \$8,000	March 30,
Women in	To be eligible for the scholarship a student must: A) Identify as	2025
Accounting	a female and be accepted or enrolled in a degree with a focus	
Scholarships	in accounting. B) Demonstrate financial need. Applications can	
	be found by going to:	
	https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/9566/educational	
New	<u>-foundation-for-women-in-accounting-scholarships</u> Scholarship Value: \$5,000	March 21
Planet Fitness	Planet Fitness is offering \$5,000 scholarships to fifty deserving	March 31, 2025
Judgement Free	Boys & Girls Club teens who model the Judgement Fre, pro-	2023
Generation	kindness values for which Planet Fitness and Boys & Girls Clubs	
Scholarship	of America collectively stand. While many scholarships take	
,	into consideration only academics and/or athletics, this	
	scholarship – part of Planet Fitness' Judgement Free	
	Generation® philanthropic initiative – celebrates and awards	
	students who are creating kinder communities and	
	contributing to a more accepting, welcoming and Judgement	
	Free™ future. For eligibility, visit:	

	https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/33154/planet-	
	fitness-judgement-free-generation-scholarship	
New 4-H Youth in Action Scholarships	Scholarship Value: \$5,000 The 4-H Youth in Action program amplifies the diverse stories and leadership of 4-H youth who are making a difference in their communities every day. It is a premiere community of 4-H'ers who are preparing for their future while showcasing how	March 31, 2025
	4-H changed their lives and equipped them to change the lives of others. Each year, program participants receive an exciting year of media training and national opportunities to share their 4-H story and leadership. To apply, visit https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/32173/4-h-youth-	
	<u>in-action-scholarships</u>	
New	Scholarship Value: \$1,500	March 31,
NWCA	Navy Wives Clubs of America annually awards 9 scholarships in	2025
Foundation Scholarship	the amount of \$1,000 to \$1500. Each grant is given with the knowledge that no repayment is expected. To be eligible for a scholarship, an applicant must be the child, grandchild, greatgrandchild, or spouse of an enlisted (E1-E9) member of the Navy, Marine Corps, or Coast Guard, active duty, retired, widow or widower.	
	The applicant must show a basis of need for financial assistance, have a scholastic standing of at least 2.5 grade point average (GPA). The applicant must be accepted for admission to an accredited school. Further information on the qualifications for each scholarship and the application can be found on the NWCA website. Visit https://studentscholarship to get started.	

Niche \$50,000 Scholarship	Scholarship Value: \$50,000 Covering the cost of college expenses for four years without writing a single essay? Sounds too good to be true. It isn't with Niche. We are giving one student \$50,000 (our biggest scholarship yet) to help pay for tuition, living expenses, books, and other educational expenses. Who Can Apply All high school and college students, as well as anyone looking to attend college or graduate school in the next year. How It Works The \$50,000 "No Essay" Scholarship is an easy scholarship with no essay required. Only one entry allowed per person. The winner will be determined by random drawing and then contacted directly and announced in Niche's e-newsletter and on the Scholarship Winners page. To apply, visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/20302/niche-50000-scholarship	March 31, 2025
Faith Based College Scholarship	Scholarship Value: \$2,000 The Christian Connector offers various scholarship drawings for Christian/Faith Based colleges and universities. All of the information services provided by The Christian Connector are offered absolutely free! Eligibility: Students applying to the Faith Based College Scholarship must be current high school students (Class of 2025, 2026, 2027 or 2028) interested in attending a Christian/Faith Based university or college. For more information visit https://studentscholarship .org/scholarship/32396/faith-based-college-scholarship	March 31, 2025

Peace of Mind Scholarship	Scholarship Value: \$1,000 Eligibility Criteria: This scholarship is open to any student who is currently enrolled in an accredited undergraduate, graduate, or professional program in the United States. This includes accredited community college students as well as high school seniors and students who possess a GED who have been accepted to or are enrolled in an accredited program.	March 31, 2025
	The scholarship applicant must be dedicated to helping to give people peace of mind, and be able to demonstrate this commitment in their essay.	
	All eligible candidates must be in good academic standing with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.00 or above.	
	For more information, visit https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/24235/peace-of-mind-scholarship	
Kezian Science Scholarship	Scholarship Value: \$1,200 The Dr. Arthur A. Kezian DDS Science Scholarship will be awarding \$1,200 to help deserving science students. Applicants are required to be high school seniors to graduate students in university, majoring in a science field and pursuing advanced education.	March 31, 2025
	Applications will be reviewed by our scholarship committee and will be awarded based on academic merit, community service, and financial need. Please send all of the required documentation (see below) in ONE email delivered to kezian@msn.com	
	To be eligible for our company scholarship you must be at least 18 years of age. Note that your age is based on the date of the deadline. The deadline for the scholarship will be 11:59	

	pm Eastern Standard Time on March 31, 2025. For eligibility	
	and requirements, visit	
	https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/14576/kezian-	
	<u>science-scholarship</u>	
Beyond the Cure	Scholarship Value: \$3,500	March 31,
Ambassador	To be eligible for the scholarship a student must: A) Be a	2025
Scholarship	childhood cancer survivor under the age of 25 and diagnosed	
	before the age of 18. B) Be accepted into a post-secondary	
	school for the fall semester of the upcoming academic year.	
	Applications can be found by going to:	
	https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/15058/beyond-	
	the-cure-ambassador-scholarship	
Kochhar & Co.	Scholarship Value: \$1,000	March 31,
Scholarship	To be eligible for the scholarship a student must: A) Be	2025
	attending college or university on a full-time or part-time basis	
	no later than September 2026. B) Have achieved a GPA of 2.5	
	or greater during the last academic year. Applications can be	
	found by going to:	
	https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/27348/kochhar-	
	<u>co-scholarship</u>	
Airmen Memorial	Scholarship Value: \$5,000	March 31,
Foundation	To be eligible for the scholarship a student must: A) Be age 23	2025
Schoalrship	years or younger and have a GPA of 3.5 or higher. B) Be a	
Program	child/adopted or stepchild of an active duty, retired or veteran	
	member of USAF, ANG or AFRC. Applications can be found by	
	going to:	
	https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/21237/airmen-	
	memorial-foundation-scholarship-program	
SM Scholarship	Scholarship Value: \$2,000	March 31,
	The \$2,000 Sallie Mae Scholarship is only open to legal	2025
	residents of the 50 United States, the District of Columbia and	
	any US Territory age 17 or older at the time of entry, and who	
	meet one (1) of the four (4) eligibility requirements at the time	

	of entry. For list of requirements, visit: https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/18358/sm-	
	scholarship	
Student-View	Scholarship Value: One \$10,000 scholarship, Two \$1,000	April 23,2025
Scholarship	scholarships, and Three \$500 scholarships	
Program	The 2025 Student-View Scholarship Program is offering over \$13,000 worth of scholarships to high school seniors who plan to attend a four-year college, community/junior college or career school. It's quick and easy to apply: No minimum SAT/ACT score or grade point average, No essay required, No lengthy application forms or application fees. Simply log on to www.student-view.com and complete a 15-20 minute application survey about colleges in your area. The scholarship will be awarded via a random drawing of all completed	
C II 14:	applications.	
College Mix	Scholarship Value: \$3,500	May 31, 2025
Christian College	The Christian Connector offers various scholarship drawings	
Scholarship	for Christian colleges. All of the information services provided	
	by The Christian Connector are offered absolutely free! For	
	elegibility and more information, visit:	
	https://studentscholarships.org/scholarship/32396/college-	
	mix-christian-college-scholarship	