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## SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP LIST # 2

*Welcome seniors to your first Scholarship list of the 2015-2016 School Year! Read this document carefully. I will be conducting our first Senior Scholarship Meeting soon to discuss scholarships in greater detail. I will answer any questions you might have at that time. Good luck looking for \$\$\$\$.* We are just beginning.... The list will grow as the year moves on. See you soon!

*Kanitra Edwards/ Scholarship Chair for MOA*

The **Green Scholarship Guide** containing local scholarship information is out; however, you will have to access it electronically as it is no longer available in hard print.

See Ms. Edwards in Guidance during your lunch if you have any question about the information included in this email/ list.

### How to use this list most effectively...

Seniors may access scholarship applications online (when noted or pick up the applications in Ms. Edwards's office in Guidance.) Please note that deadline dates are in "calendar order" so that you may keep track of monthly deadline dates that you want to remember. Use your planner as a reminder to complete and mail in applications before their deadlines.

To request scholarship applications from Ms. Edwards you may print out the listing and put your name at the top of the first page. Highlight the names of the scholarships you would like applications for. Remember that the generic application that is in the front of the Local Scholarships section of the Green Book is posted on the St. Lucie County website: <http://www.educationfoundation@stlucie.org>. You need to complete and print it each time you apply for a scholarship. Identify the title of the scholarship in which you are applying for. (It should be typed) and then make multiple copies of it including your letters of recommendation and the two statements listed on page 3. You are to use this application with scholarships in the "Green Book" when you see "Use standard application form provided in this guide and mail to..." Other scholarship applications will be requested through Ms. Edwards.

**Please check the scholarship board located in Guidance as it has additional scholarships.**

### Tips for getting started.....

#### August

- Sign up on [www.fastwebcom](http://www.fastwebcom).
- Review your career plan and decide which type of school is right for you.
- Visit some colleges that interest you.
- Narrow your college list to three to five schools
- Request course catalogs and research admissions info.
- Contact guidance counselor for ACT/ SAT.

- Surf the net to review scholarships available to you.
- Begin building your senior portfolio. Consisting of: awards, academic/ athletic recognition, resume, etc.

## September

- Meet with admissions representatives who are visiting your school.
- Make a list of test names, dates, fees, registration deadlines, and deadlines for college admissions and financial aid applications.
- Remember you must take tests like the SAT and ACT at least six weeks before the deadline for scores to be submitted to colleges.
- Ask teachers, guidance counselors and employers for letters of recommendations to include with your admissions and/or scholarship applications.

**APPLY ONLINE at [www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org](http://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org) Select State Grants, Scholarships & Applications, and then Apply Here.**

## Student Scholarship Programs

**Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program-** Provides scholarships based on academic achievement. To be considered a student **must submit** a completed (error-free) *Florida Financial Aid Application* his/her last year in high school (**after December 1<sup>st</sup> and prior to graduation**).

**Jose Marti Scholarship Challenge Grant Fund-** Provides assistance to Hispanic- American students who meet scholastic requirements and demonstrate financial need- May 15<sup>th</sup> deadline.

**Rosewood Family Scholarship Fund-** Provides scholarship assistance to a maximum of 25 minority students to attend full time at eligible state universities, public community colleges, or public postsecondary vocational technical schools. Students' descendants of African-American Rosewood families affected- May 15<sup>th</sup> deadline.

**Scholarships for Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans-** Provides assistance to dependent children and spouses of Florida veterans or service members- April 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.

**Mary McLeod Bethune Scholarship Program-** Provides scholarship assistance to undergraduate students who meet academic requirements, demonstrate financial need to specified colleges/universities. For deadline check postsecondary institutions they plan to attend.

**Florida Fund for Minority Teachers Program-** The Minority Teacher Education Scholarship (MTES) program is a collaborative performance-based scholarship program for African-American, Hispanic-American, Asian-American, and Native American students administered by the Florida Fund for Minority Teachers, Inc. (FFMT).

**Florida Incentive Scholarship-** Provides a merit scholarship for Florida high school graduates who achieved the National Merit or National Achievement Scholar designation. Scholars must enroll in an eligible Florida postsecondary institution to receive the incentive award.

## Student Grants

**Florida Student Assistance Grant Program-** Florida's largest need-based grant program. Visit [www.fafas.ed.gov](http://www.fafas.ed.gov) to complete the online application.

**Florida Public Postsecondary Career Education Student Assistance Grant Program-** Provides assistance to eligible Florida residents who demonstrate financial school boards. Must complete a FAFSA application by the specified time of the institution.

**William L. Boyd, IV, Florida Resident Access Grant-** Provides tuition to full-time Florida undergraduate student. For participation and application, students should check with the postsecondary institutions they plan to attend.

**Access to better Learning and Education grant Program-** Provides tuition assistance to full-time Florida undergraduate students enrolled in degree program. For participation and application, students should check with the postsecondary institutions they plan to attend.

**Florida Work Experience Program-** Provides eligible Florida students the opportunity to secure work experiences that complement and reinforce educational programs and career goal. To be considered students must complete FAFAS by the deadline specified by the participating college, university, community college, career center operated by a district school board, or educator preparation institute.

**First Generation Matching Grant Program-** Provides grant funding to undergraduate students enrolled at state universities and community colleges, who demonstrate financial need and whose parents have not earned baccalaureate degrees. Complete FAFSA to be considered. For participation and application, students should check with the postsecondary institutions they plan to attend

### Additional Scholarships:

**The QuestBridge College Prep Scholarship-** is designed for high school juniors who have shown outstanding academic ability despite facing economic challenges. Please apply to [www.questbridge.org](http://www.questbridge.org) for additional questions and the application. Deadline: September 28, 2015

**The GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship Program-** rewards college-bound students who demonstrate exemplary leadership, drive, integrity, and citizenship with financial assistance to pursue higher education. Please visit <http://www.reaganfoundation.org/GE-RFScholarships.aspx> the 2016 applications will open October 12, 2015.

**Samsung American Legion-** Is for high school juniors. If you are child of a veteran please apply at [www.legion.org](http://www.legion.org) for more information. Contact the local American Legion for deadline details.

**Horatio Alger Scholarship-** For high school students who have had adversities and/ or financial need. Apply to [www.haratioalger.org](http://www.haratioalger.org) for an application. **Deadline: October 25, 2015**

**Disney Dreamer Academy-** This program is intended to encourage and reward students who reflect strong character, positive attitude, and persistence to take advantage of opportunities. Students enrolled in grades 9-12 qualify. Apply on-line at [www.disneydreamersacademy.com](http://www.disneydreamersacademy.com) for an application and more information.

**George Jenkins Scholarships-** This is a scholarship for students attending Miami University. Please visit [www.miami.edu/jenkins](http://www.miami.edu/jenkins) for more information. **Deadline: December 1, 2015.**

**Coca-Cola Scholarships 2013 is comprised of three distinct scholarships:**

**The Coca-Cola Scholars Program-** For **seniors only** who are US citizens, have a 3.0 GPA, and are not children/ grandchildren of coca-cola employees. Scholarship applications can be found at <https://connect.coca-colascholars.org/scholarshps/application-2014/login> . **Deadline: October 31, 2015.**

**Coca-Cola Community College Academic Team-** There is three tiers: \$1,500 awards for Gold; \$1,250 for Silver; and \$1,000 for Bronze. Application details can be found at [www.ptk.org/](http://www.ptk.org/) .

**Coca-Cola Leaders of Promise Scholarship-** Offers a \$1,000 scholarship. This application doesn't open until **February 27, 2015**. Please apply at [www.ptk.org/](http://www.ptk.org/).

**The Adrian M. Sample Scholarship-** For students who have a 3.0 GPA, resident of St. Lucie or Okeechobee County, unmarried, attending and accredited college or university in Florida or Davidson College in Davidson, N.C. **Please apply at [www.adriansamplescholarship.com](http://www.adriansamplescholarship.com) . The new scholarship WILL NOT open until January.**

Please visit [www.scholarshipamerica.org](http://www.scholarshipamerica.org) to view an array of scholarships and information.

**Additional financial aid sources of information:**

- **AmeriCorps National Service:** [www.americorps.org](http://www.americorps.org)
- **American Council on Education:** [www.CollegeIsPossible.org](http://www.CollegeIsPossible.org)
- **Scholarship Resource Network:** [www.srne.press.com](http://www.srne.press.com)
- **The Smart Student Guide to Financial Aid:** [www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org)
- **Register at:** [www.cappax.com](http://www.cappax.com) **and complete a profile**
- **Register at:** [www.collegegreenlight.com](http://www.collegegreenlight.com) **or** [www.greenlight.com](http://www.greenlight.com)