

2025-26 December Scholarship Opportunities

(Scholarships are for seniors only unless otherwise noted. * denotes minority-specific programs.)

Scholarship	Criteria	Deadline
University-Sponsored	Scholarships are available from colleges or universities that you plan on applying to and vary widely. Some consider you automatically with your application and some require a separate form. In addition, most departments within the school will offer separate scholarships. Please see Mrs. Richard in the Career center or view the school's website for eligibility requirements, applications and deadlines.	Varies. See Mrs. Richard or each school's website for details
Employer-Sponsored	Ask your parents if the company he/she works for has a scholarship program. If they don't know, their Human Resources Department should be able to help them. If you are employed, ask your company as well.	Varies
State-Funded (must be a Missouri resident)	<u>Missouri Bright Flight Scholarship</u> – Must score in the top 3% of students taking the ACT (32) or SAT (790 math/780 verbal) and will attend a participating Missouri college. (Cannot pursue a degree in theology or divine studies.) <u>Marquerite Ross Barnett Scholarship</u> – Amount varies based on need and tuition. For students who will enroll in college at least half time, but less than full-time. Must be employed at least 20 hours per week and demonstrate financial need by filing the FAFSA (fafsa.ed.gov) after October 1.	July ACT/SAT test dates December 1 (FAFSA)

American College Foundation Visionary Scholarship	Five awards given with each bi-annual deadline. Awards range from \$1,000 to \$2,500 each. - Completed ACF Visionary Scholarship Application - Student's most recent unofficial high school transcript 500-word essay on "Why College is Important to Me" For application packet and registration page go to: https://americancollegefoundation.org/college-planning-visionary-scholarship-details/	Received by December 1, 2025
Ron Brown Scholarship	20-\$40,000 awards will be given to a high school seniors and plan to graduate in May 2026. (10,000 will be awarded each year). - Must be Black/African American - US citizens or permanent residents - No ACT/SAT required - Transcripts & Letters or recommendation required by 12/15	Received on line by December 1, 2025

	2 - 500 word essays are required For application and additional information go to: https://ronbrown.my.site.com/s/	
Equitable Excellence Scholarship	Several awards will be awarded. Awards ranging from \$2,500 to \$25,000. Must be US citizens or legal residents, high school senior who plans to enroll in a 2 or 4 year school, demonstrates ambition & self-drive as evidenced by achievement in school, community or work-related activities. You must submit your application on line, go to www.equitable.com/foundation.	Everything must be submitted by electronic. No paper copies will be accepted. Received by Dec. 18, 2025. Or until 10,000 entries.
BK James W. McLamore Whopper Scholarship – Scholars Program	Current high school, (you do not have to be employed by Burger King) who will be enrolling full-time next fall in a college. Citizen of United States or Canada. Minimum GPA of 3.5 and a list of your work experiences and involvement in school and community activities, family's current tax information. For additional information go to https://burgerking.scholarsapply.org/information.php	Applications accepted October 15 to December 15, 2025
Northwest Student Exchange Scholarship	Three \$300.00 awards will be given out to all qualified students currently enrolled in high school. Must submit an Essay 500-600 words (not AI generated) Essay Topics: choose one: <u>Bridging Cultures: My Vision for a More Connected World</u> <u>Lessons from Abroad: What Exchange Experiences can teach Individuals and communities</u> To apply go to: https://www.nwse.com/about/scholarships/	Received by December 15, 2025
Public Safety Recruitment & Retention Act Scholarship	This scholarship helps cover the costs of tuition for public safety personnel with at least 6 years of service and the dependent children of public safety personnel with at least 10 years of service. Additionally, individuals must meet other eligibility requirements to qualify including but not limited to: - Be a Missouri resident and remain a resident for a minimum of 5 years once approved for the award. - Have not earned a bachelor's degree - Be enrolled into approved institution or training program to pursue a qualifying post-secondary degree or credential - File a FAFSA For additional information go to: https://dhewd.mo.gov/ppc/grants-scholarships/public-safety-scholarship	Received by December 15, 2025
Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship Program	For high school seniors seeking to continue their computer science education at a four-year college, the Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship Program can make all the difference for a bright and developing future.	Received by 3:00 CST December 16, 2025

	Amazon Future Engineer Scholarship awards 100 high school seniors with a \$40,000 scholarship for college, plus a guaranteed paid internship programming at Amazon. Requirements: ● Must be a U.S. Citizen, Permanent Resident, or Employment Authorized to work in the United States. ● Be high school seniors in the U.S. who are currently enrolled in or who have completed a high school or college dual degree course where computer science is the subject. ● Students who have not taken this course can opt-in to taking an assessment offered by Amazon. ● Be planning to attain a bachelor's degree in computer science, software engineering, computer engineering or other computer science related field of study from an accredited 4-year college or from a 2-year college intending to transfer to a 4-year college. ● Have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (or its equivalent). ● Must show financial need. More information and to apply: https://www.amazonfutureengineer.com/scholarships	
AGC of Missouri Education Foundation Scholarship Program	The AGCMO Education Foundation Scholarships are awarded to students entering the construction industry or a related field, such as engineering (civil, mechanical, etc.) or architecture. Last year a total of \$58,000 was divided between 28 students in \$1000, \$2000, or \$3000 amounts. Scholarships Awarded: ● Young Executives Club Scholarship ● Construction Leadership Council Scholarship ● Education Foundation Scholarship Scholarship Awards: ● Each application will be considered for one of the three scholarships listed above. ● You need only submit one application. At the discretion of AGC of Missouri Education Foundation, multiple awards of each scholarship listed above are available based upon merit, in the following amounts: ● College Scholarship: \$2,000 (multiple awards) ● Skilled Trades /Vo-Tech Scholarship: \$1,000 (multiple awards) Eligibility: 1. College Scholarship - Applicants MUST attend a Missouri college, university or other eligible school or such an institution which is located in a state contiguous to Missouri, on a full time basis. The applicant's field of study MUST be in construction or a construction related field. 2. Skilled Trades /Vo-Tech Scholarship - Applicants MUST attend a Department of Labor registered Apprenticeship Program or pursue a program	Received by December 31, 2025

	requiring one academic year or more for certification at an institution which is located in a state contiguous to Missouri, on a full time basis. 3. Graduating high school seniors and college students attending accredited universities, colleges, community colleges, vocational or technical schools, and DOL registered Apprenticeship programs are eligible to apply. Vocational and technical school students MUST be pursuing a program requiring one academic year or more for certification. Only apprentices or students pursuing certification in skilled trades related to construction will be considered for the Skilled Trades /Vo-Tech Scholarship. 0. Applicants MUST desire a career in the construction industry upon graduation. Eligibility is not limited to students pursuing technical degrees. The AGC of Missouri Education Foundation retains the right to determine if a major or program in which the student is enrolled meets this eligibility requirement. 0. Applicant MUST be a U.S. citizen or documented permanent resident of the United States (i.e. must possess a "permanent resident" card). Application: 1. Applicants must complete the correct application for their program furnished by AGC of Missouri Education Foundation, provide official high school or college transcripts, provide two letters of recommendation, complete an essay on their desire to work in the construction industry and be willing to submit to a personal interview. 2. Applications, transcripts, reference forms and other required material must be submitted digitally to the AGC of Missouri Office (nlake@stl-cts.org). If additional space is needed to answer any questions, please complete in a word processing document specifying the section and question and email to. Make sure your name is on the document. Application forms may be obtained on-line at www.agcmo.org/scholarships 0. Application must be opened in Adobe Acrobat Reader (free) and completed electronically.	
MU Extension Education Foundation of St. Charles *CAN BE USED AT ANY COLLEGE OR TRADE SCHOOLS	One \$1,000 award to a senior who plans on attending any accredited college, trade or technical school in the state of MO. Requirements: 1. Completed application 2. 500 word essay 3. Letter of recommendation from a teacher See Mrs. Richard for application	Deadline for submission on line is December 31, 2025
Kelly Lynn Lutz Memorial Scholarship	One \$8,000 award to a senior, up to \$2,000 per year for four years who has Lost a parent (biological or not) to cancer. Plans on attending a 2 or 4-year University, have an interest in education, arts, environment, math or science. Has involvement in the community, church, school or other non-curricular activity, be an US	Applications must be received by January 10, 2026 – Mail by Jan. 5 or you can overnight it. Or can be submitted by email.

	citizen and indicate financial need. Personal essay and personal reference required. Application is available at http://kllscholarshipfund.org/ or see Mrs. Richard in guidance.	
John F. Kennedy Presidential Library Scholarship	Open to grades 9-12. Essay of not more than 1,000 words on topic of "Political courage as described by John F. Kennedy in profiles in courage". You must have a teacher review your essay and submit their name as your nominator. For further contest info, previous winning samples and entry rules, go to www.jfklibrary.org	Postmarked by January 12, 2026
US JCI Senate Foundation Scholarship	1,000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors who plan to continue their education at accredited post-secondary colleges, universities or vocational schools. (Number of scholarships varies annually) • Must be a US Citizen • 3 Letters of Reference • Personal Statement no more than 500 words • GPA of 3.75 or above • High School Transcript Refer to website: www.usjcisenate.org	Postmarked by January 12, 2026 Nothing will be excepted online
America's Farmers Grow Ag Leaders Scholarship	\$1,500 scholarships to students pursuing a career in various sects of agriculture. Must be a high school senior. Must be planning to pursue a degree in a qualifying area of study. Must be planning to attend a vocational, 2 or 4 year qualifying ag related program. Must have a minimum 2.5 GPA. And obtain at least 2 electronic endorsements from qualifying farmers. Go to www.FFA.org/scholarships to apply.	Received by January 15, 2026
Missouri Society of CPAs Scholarship- MOCPA	One 500.00 award will be given to a high senior who plans to major in accounting and declare it as their major. • Recommendation required by teacher or administrator • Must become a student member (free) • Plans to attend school in Missouri • ACT, GPA scores and leadership are taken into consideration when choosing recipient For application and Complimentary Student Membership Recommendation Form go to: http://www.mocpa.org/students/scholarships	Online applications due by January 16, 2026
Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation – (LOCAL)	40 \$1,500 awards will be given. Any major can apply, but preference given to those pursuing careers in aviation, engineering, aerospace or technology. • Must have minimum 3.0 GPA, & attached a high school transcript • A personal essay about yourself • 1-page essay on "The Tuskegee Airmen" • 3 recommendation letters • Parent's 2024 1040 adjusted gross income form required • Picture of yourself • List of extracurricular and community activities See Mrs. Richard or go to www.tuskegeearmenstl.com/ for application.	Received by January 26, 2026 Would mail around Jan. 19, 2026
Earl Collins Foundation/MO-ARK Kiwanis Chapter – (LOCAL)	Two \$1,500.00 awards. Must have one of the 3 to apply, ACT score of 23 or above, a GPA of 3.25 or rank in the top 35% in the senior class. Demonstrate leadership, Key Club helpful, but not necessary. Short essay on your goals, two	Must deliver to the O'Fallon Kiwanis Club by January 30, 2026

	recommendation letters required, transcript, list of activities, and a copy of parent's 2023 tax return will be required before check is issued. See Mrs. Richard for application. or go to http://www.moarkkiwanis.org/ , click on ECF Application.	
Conservation Foundation of MO- Ed Stegner Natural Resources Scholarship	5 \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded. Must be a Missouri residents and plan to enroll at a Missouri College and major in natural resource management: fisheries, forestry, wildlife, parks & recreation or soil & water conservation. No minimum GPA or ACT required. Must submit a letter on why this scholarship is important to you, resume & transcript. See Mrs. Richard for application or go to www.moswcs.org/scholarship	Received by January 31, 2026
Epsilon Sigma Alpha Foundation Scholarships	The ESA Foundation is offering 1352 scholarships this year for students in the US who meet the criteria of individual endowments. ESA International is an organization founded in 1929 and is a premier leadership and service organization bringing volunteers together in program and projects that make a positive difference to the community. To find scholarships currently available, under "Search Scholarships" click on Missouri to see which ones are available to Missouri residents. www.epsilonsigmaalpha.org/scholarships-and-grants	Received by February 2, 2026
Elks National Foundation-Legacy Award	350 \$4,000 awards will be awarded. You must be a child or grandchild of an Elks member in good standing. Essay, ACT Scores and transcripts must be uploaded. Applicants will be judged on knowledge, charity, community involvement and integrity Apply online at www.elks.org/enf/scholars/legacy	Received by February 2, 2026
The Vegetarian Resource Group	3 awards up to 10,000 will be given to a 2024 high school graduate. An essay on your vegetarianism is required, along with transcript, 3 or more recommendations, and any documentation related to your promotion of vegetarianism. Go to http://www.vrg.org/student/scholar.htm for additional information	Must be post-marked by February 20, 2026
Simon Youth Foundation – Simon Youth Community Scholarship – (LOCAL)	\$1,500 award will be awarded to a high school senior planning to attend either a two or four year college. Must be a legal US resident, demonstrate academic promise and financial need. Must submit essay, letter of recommendation, work experience and community/extracurricular involvement. For online application, visit www.syf.org/scholarships/	Received by February 13, 2026
Greater St. Louis Mothers of Twins Club (LOCAL)	7- \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to a senior from the Greater St. Louis Area. Must be a multiple birth. • Compose 300 or less essay on "What advice would I give to parents of multiples?" • 2 letters of recommendations • Official transcript. See Mrs. Richard for application or go to http://www.stlmotc.org/	Received by February 20, 2026
College Board Opportunity Scholarships	Applying to college is a complicated process, so we've created a program that guides you through it. This scholarship program is open to all students and it doesn't require an essay, application, or minimum GPA. Instead, it rewards your effort and initiative. Complete key steps along your path to college for a chance to earn scholarships. The Scholarships: The more effort you put in, the more opportunities you have to earn a scholarship. Class of 2025 students, complete five	Received by February 28, 2026

	of the six actions (Build, Practice, Strengthen, Complete and Apply) and you're eligible to earn \$40,000. Scholarships will be awarded through monthly drawings to students who complete each action. Link: https://opportunity.collegeboard.org/ 1. Build Your College List: \$500 Get started by exploring colleges you're interested in. 2. Practice for the SAT: \$1,000 Use Official SAT Practice on Khan Academy® to get ready for test day. 3. Improve Your Score: \$2,000 Show how practice pays off by improving your SAT score. 4. Strengthen Your College List: \$500 Make sure your college list has a mix of academic safety, match, and reach schools. 5. Complete the FAFSA: \$1,000 Fill out the free government form to apply for financial aid. 6. Apply to Colleges: \$1,000 Apply to the schools you want to attend. Complete Your Journey: \$40,000 Complete five of the six steps (Build, Practice, Strengthen, Complete and Apply) to be eligible for a \$40,000 scholarship **COVID UPDATE: There will be 50 Improve Your Score scholarships awarded in September, November and January. Students no longer need to complete the Improve Your Score step to be eligible for the Complete Your Journey scholarship.	
DeWalt Trades Scholarship * <u>TRADE School Scholarship</u> *	Several \$5,000 awards will be given to a 2026 high school graduate who plan to enroll in a full time student. Must attend a 2 year college or vocational-technical school. Must major in trade construction, motor/power sector. Must have a 2.0 or above GPA, must submit a 300 words or less essay on "How will a career in Construction and/or trades empower your future." Must submit a transcript, and copy of the first 2 pages of the most recently filed 1040. Must be American or Canadian Citizen. To apply go to: https://www.dewalt.com/growthetrades	Applications due on line have been received or by February 28, 2026
Crossroads Art Council <u>(LOCAL)</u>	1 \$500.00 award will be given to a local senior high school graduate. Open to all seniors in the St. Charles Area. Must compete at least 5 works of art but no more than 10. Listing any shows and awards that you have received. See Mrs. Richard for application or go to www.crossroadsartcouncil.org	Postmarked by March 1, 2026
AFA Teens for Alzheimer's Awareness Scholarship	Several awards will be awarded to college bound students. (No gap year). A 1200-1500-word essay or no more than a 4 minute long video that describes the impact of Alzheimer's disease on themselves, their families or their communities, and what they have learned in light of coping with the brain disorder & what are your plans to raise awareness in regards to Alzheimer's disease. Must be a US citizen or permanent resident. An autobiography and	Received March 1, 2026

	complete application, copy of birth certificate and transcript is required. Apply on line at www.afateens.org for information.	
Create-A-Greeting Card Scholarship	\$10,000 award will be awarded plus \$1,000 to the winner's school. Must submit original photo, artwork or computer graphics for the front of a greeting card. For more information go to: www.gallerycollection.com/greeting-cards-scholarship.htm	Received by March 9, 2026
Missouri Women's Golf Association Scholarship	Scholarships will be awarded to female golfers who will graduate high school in 2026. Must be a U.S. citizen who resides in Missouri. Must provide 2 references: One from a high school coach or golf course/club junior golf program director or instructor and the other from a high school teacher, counselor or principal. Submit a statement of your involvement in golf, community and/or school activities, future field of study and educational path to success in that area and a statement of future goals pertaining to golf. Half-page essay: <i>"What qualities make me an excellent candidate for this scholarship?"</i> Go to: www.mogolf.org for application.	Must be submitted by March 9, 2026
Briana Nicole Worthy Memorial Scholarship (LOCAL – WEST HIGH STUDENTS ONLY)	In memory of Briana Worthy, student of West High Class of 2012. One \$1,000 award to a West High Senior who has an IEP, and plans on attending a college, community college or tech school in the fall. Minimum GPA of 2.5 or higher, 12 hours of community service and a 500-word essay on "Why you feel deserving of this scholarship". Essay must be single spaced and typed. See Mrs. Richard for application.	Received by 2:30 PM on April 9, 2026 – to Mrs. Richard in guidance
Michael Lindquist Memorial Scholarship (WEST HIGH ONLY)	In memory of a former West High Ass't principal, teacher and coach. One \$1,000 award to a West High student. Must have participated in a varsity sport, achieved academic excellence, and financial need. Any major can apply, but special consideration will be given to education majors. Minimum GPA of 3.0, 500 word or less essay on "Your career goals and how you plan to achieve them.", and an official copy of your transcript. See Mrs. Richard for application	Received by 2:30 PM on April 9, 2026 – to Mrs. Richard in guidance
The American Legion Shane Dean Voyles Memorial Scholarship	One \$750.00 award • One student nominated from each school • Nominee will be selected on athletic, scholastic and leadership abilities This application needs to be submitted to Mrs. Richard in the Guidance Office.	Needs to be returned to Mrs. Richard in guidance by 2:30 April 14, 2026
The American Legion Charles L. Bacon Memorial Scholarship	Two \$750.00 awards • Must be a member of The American Legion, the American Legion Auxiliary or the Sons of The American Legion or a descendant of a member of any of the above. See Mrs. Richard for application or go to www.missourilegion.org	Postmarked by April 20, 2026

The American Legion Erman W. Taylor Memorial Scholarship	Three \$750.00 awards to students planning on obtaining a degree in education. • Submit an essay of 500 words or less on the subject: "In your opinion, what was the most significant event of the past year?" Descendant of a veteran with at least ninety days active service. A copy of the veteran's DD214, discharge or separation notice must accompany the scholarship application. See Mrs. Richard for application or go to www.missourilegion.org	Postmarked by April 20, 2026
The American Legion Lillie Lois Ford Scholarship	Two \$1000 awards (one boy and one girl) • High school seniors who have attend Boys or Girls State OR a full session of the Department's Cadet Patrol Academy Descendant of a veteran with at least ninety days active service. A copy of the veteran's DD214, discharge or separation notice must accompany the scholarship application. See Mrs. Richard for application or go to www.missourilegion.org	Postmarked by April 20, 2026
The American Legion Joseph J. Frank Scholarship	Five awards of \$750.00 • Applicant must have attended Missouri Boys/Girls State Descendant of a veteran with at least ninety days active service. A copy of the veteran's DD214, discharge or separation notice must accompany the scholarship application. See Mrs. Richard for application or go to www.missourilegion.org	Postmarked by April 20, 2026
The American Legion M.D. "Jack" Murphy Memorial Nurses Training Scholarship	One \$1,000.00 award to a Missouri boy or girl planning on a career as a Registered Nurse • Renewable, by application, for one additional year • Top 40% of high school class Descendant of a veteran with at least ninety days active service. A copy of the veteran's DD214, discharge or separation notice must accompany the scholarship application. See Mrs. Richard for application or go to www.missourilegion.org	Postmarked by April 20, 2026
<u>The Elaine Chapin Fund Scholarship (LOCAL)</u>	Student OR parent must have MS. Must be an American citizen. Can be attending two-year, four-year or trade/technical school. Financial need, essay, activities and recommendation and transcript required. For more info, go to http://www.elainememorial.com/Home.php	Opens November 1 and must be received by April 30, 2026
Kid's Chance Scholarship - For Children of MO Seriously Injured Workers	For student's whose parent were injured or killed in a MO work related accident covered by worked accident covered by worker's compensation. www.mokidschance.org	Deadlines for submitting completed applications and all supporting documents: May 15, 2026
BigSun Scholarship	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 national scholarship to a deserving student. All student athletes are eligible regardless of the sport they are engaged in or the capacity in which they participate. The student must be a high school senior or be attending a post secondary institute.	Received by June 19, 2026

	HOW TO APPLY: Please send us a short essay (500 - 1,000 words) answering the following questions: How did your participation in sports during your high school years influence you? Has your participation influenced your career goals? Has your participation influenced how you relate to your family? All essay submissions should be sent to: athleticawards@bigsunathletics.com	
College Covered Award Sweepstakes By Discover Student Loans	Sign up for emails to get helpful college tips and resources, and enter for the chance to win a scholarship! Throughout the year, 12 eligible students or parents will be randomly selected to win a \$5,000 Discover Student Loans Scholarship Award to help cover college expenses. Your personal information will always be kept private and secure. See Official Rules for details. Link: https://scholarship.collegecovered.com/	Ends August 31, 2026