

# IFHS Scholarship Bulletin

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## Annual college fair brings students face-to-face with college recruiters

For one evening only Idaho Falls becomes the center for college recruiting in the Pacific Northwest.

Wednesday, Oct. 21, is the day set for the Southeast Idaho College Fair. It will be at Hillcrest High School in Idaho Falls from 5 – 8 p.m. Admission is free.

Recruiters from universities, colleges, technical colleges and trade schools will be at the fair. Also, military service and academy recruiters will be in attendance.

While many recruiters will be from the Northwest, there are usually others from throughout the United States.

There will be break-out mini workshops during the fair that will provide attendees with in depth information on how to search for colleges, careers and scholarships and on everything you've ever wanted to ask about financial aid.

The fair is for students and parents. High school students – especially

Seniors and Juniors - should attend without question, but the fair also is for students of any age.

Students from throughout southeastern Idaho and northwestern Wyoming are invited to attend the fair and more than a 1,000 attend each year.

## Juniors can sign up now to take PSAT to prepare for college entrance tests

Idaho Falls High School sophomores and select juniors will take the PSAT in October and for some it will be their first experience taking a national standardized test.

The PSAT will be given Wednesday, Oct. 14, at Idaho Falls High School. Registration for Juniors starts Monday, Sept. 14. Space is limited and registration will be on a first-come, first-serve basis. The cost of registration is \$18.

Idaho Falls School District #91 gives the PSAT to all sophomores to obtain an overview of students' college and career readiness. Sophomores get this unique

opportunity to take the test for free as practice.

Juniors have to pay to register for the test as their scores count for applying to colleges and scholarships, including the College Board's own National Merit Corporation Scholarship Contest.

National standardized tests are those which are the same and are offered throughout the country. Unlike its big brother, the SAT, the PSAT is given only once a year, as it is the National Merit Scholarship Corporation's entrance exam.

### Say Hello

College recruiters set visits

**Brigham Young University of Provo, Utah**, to visit Tuesday, Oct. 13; lunch; at Tiger Tile.

**Montana State University of Bozeman, Mont.**, to visit October 15; lunch; at Tiger Tile

**Boise State University** Open House Tuesday, Oct. 20, 6:30-8 p.m. at Hilton Garden Inn. Register on line at BSU website.

**Boise State** to visit IFHS Wed. Oct. 21, during lunch at Tiger Tile

**SOUTHEAST IDAHO COLLEGE FAIR**  
**Wednesday, Oct. 21 5-8 PM**  
**Hillcrest High School**  
**Free Admission**

**Carroll College of Helena, Mont.**, to visit 8 am on Wed., Oct. 28.

**Whitworth University of Spokane, Wash.**, to visit 8 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 3.

# MSU Presidential Scholarship Application goes fully on-line

As many as 20 Presidential Scholarships may be awarded at Montana State University, but only if academically talented students apply.

The application window now is open and will close Dec. 4. The application process is fully on-line this year at [honors@montana.edu](mailto:honors@montana.edu).

The Presidential is the most prestigious scholarship awarded by Montana State in Bozeman and includes a full tuition waiver and a generous stipend. It is renewable for four year of college study. Applications also will be considered for the Provost Scholarship which

also carries a renewable full-tuition and stipend award.

The Honors College application also may be found on the website.

## Penn Admissions sets panel talk in Salt Lake City

University of Pennsylvania Admissions and alumni team will be in Salt Lake City, Utah, Thursday, Nov. 8, to meet with prospective students and their parents.

The interactive discussion will be at the City Library at 210 East 400 South and will start at 7 pm.

## Watch for early deadline on Coke Company achievement-based scholarship program

The Coca-Cola Scholars Program Scholarship is an achievement-based award open to graduating high school seniors each year. Students are recognized for their capacity to lead and serve, and their commitment to making a significant impact on their schools and communities.

The application is up now on the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation web page, [www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org](http://www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org) Application deadline is Oct. 31, 2015.

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation supports more than 1,400 college

students each year, with annual scholarships of \$3.45 million, through three nationally recognized programs.

Along with being a graduating high school senior, applicants must plan to pursue a degree at an accredited college, have a minimum 3.00 GPA by the end of their junior year, and meet residency qualifications.

Students whose parents or grandparents work for Coca-Cola are not eligible to apply. The application requires a list of grades, school and community activities, and employment, but no essays or additional materials are required.



Program booklet for 2015 U. S. Senate Youth Program depicts students touring the capital.

## USSYP coordinates civics competition for week at Capital

Juniors and Seniors may sign up now to take part in the United States Senate Youth Program scholarship contest.

The competition is open to high school juniors and seniors who currently are serving in a year-long elected or appointed capacity in student government, civic or educational organizations.

Deadline to enter is Sept. 18. The exam will be given Tuesday, Sept. 22, at 4 p.m.

Sponsored by the Hearst Foundation, two winners from each state will get an expense-paid, week-long trip to Washington, D.C., and a \$5,000 college scholarship. The program is merit-based and highly competitive.

### National Portfolio Day - Jan 9

hosted by **Cornish College of the Arts in Seattle**

Reps from 30 Art Schools will be on hand to review student work and discuss admission opportunities

**Register On-Line**



Manufacturing industry foundation offers scholarships to help pay for cost of college training as well as tools needed for learning careers.

## Industry helps pave path to manufacturing careers

The Foundation of the Fabricators and Manufacturers Association offers scholarships to students going into a manufacturing career.

The foundation is called *Nuts, Bolts & Thingamajigs* and the application can be found on the Internet by searching for that name.

Recipients must have achieved at least a 2.5 GPA in high school and submit an on-line application and official high school. Scholarships

are awarded in the fall and again in the spring.

NBT Trade School, community or technical college scholarships are available for up to \$2,500 plus student version of SolidWorks CAD Software.

The Outside Processors Counseling Scholarship Endowment is for children of an OPC member company as well as those students seeking degrees in fields related to the steel industry.

## New sign-on to free college, career search site

Idaho CIS website has a new generic log-in and password for students and faculty at Idaho Falls High School. Once logged-in, a customized user name and password may be created through the CIS Portfolio link.

The generic user name is: **tigercareers**

The generic password is: **Mycareer1st**

## Quest Bridge helps academic achievers get into top colleges

The National College Match connects outstanding low-income high school seniors with admission and full four-year scholarships to 35 of the nation's most selective colleges and universities.

Through National College Match, students can apply early, which will put them in a ranked order. Those admitted through the College Match will receive a guaranteed full scholarship from the college, covering the cost of tuition, room and board, a brochure by the Quest program says.

There are expenses outside those covered by the scholarship. Families may be expected to pay some of the cost, but it would be less than in-state tuition.

The brochure is available in the Counseling Center.

## Aid opportunity for young business owners

Graduating high school seniors who operate their own small business are eligible to apply for a 2015 NFIB Young Entrepreneur Award.

More information is available at [www.NFIB.com/YEA](http://www.NFIB.com/YEA). Applications will be taken Oct. 1 to Dec. 18, 2015.

The program goal showcase critical role young small business owners play in building America.

## College, corporate, cause or contest – there's a scholarship for that

Scholarship is an umbrella term to refer to a number of different offers of financial aid.

Scholarships are those financial offerings which students may apply or vie for and which do not have to be repaid. They are gifts, but with strings attached.

### College-based scholarships

Academic institutions will use a student's high school grade point average (GPA) and standardized test scores to determine if and how much of a scholarship will be offered. These are merit scholarships. Some colleges may have this on their websites as a scholarship index. Sometimes the breakdown is called a presidential,

dean or trustee scholarship. These can be quite substantial and with high grades and scores can pay the bulk of a student's education expenses.

### Corporate/Cause scholarships

Businesses and individuals offer scholarships in part to publicize companies or causes. Some are offered to children of employees as a benefit of the job. Others are open to anyone who meets the individual qualifiers of the scholarship. The amount of the scholarships vary widely. Some corporate aid is given in matching a scholarship amount.

### Contest/Skill scholarships

Many scholarships will ask applicants to submit an essay, but some are strictly based on such

skills. Others are by drawing or chance. While it may sound easy, these are usually publicity hooks as companies offer the one or two awards to students nationwide.

### Income-based scholarships

If a family's income qualifies as low, it may qualify students for scholarships. Some are uniquely income based while others include other qualifiers, such as good grades.

**JUNIORS**

**Register Now To Take The**

**PSAT**

Pay Up In The

Main Office

## Wasden Says Use Caution When Searching for Scholarships

Idaho's college-bound students and their parents should use caution when searching for scholarships, Attorney General Lawrence Wasden says in a news release.

Commercial services charge anywhere from \$15 to hundreds of dollars for a computerized search claiming to match a student's grades, career interests, hobbies and other data with available scholarships. None of these services can guarantee success. Other companies may offer sales pitches disguised as financial aid "seminars."

For information on commercial scholarship search companies, please contact the Attorney General's Consumer Protection Unit, in-state toll-free, (800) 432-3545 or (208) 334-2424.

"If you have to pay money to get money for college, it could be a scam," Attorney General Wasden said.

"Before you spend any money, you should use the excellent free resource right here in Idaho, the Career Information System."



Wasden also warned students that they should not disclose personal information such as an address, telephone number, social security number, or e-mail address, without having researched a company's privacy policy and know the company has a good reputation. "Identity theft is a growing problem and Idahoans should use caution when searching for scholarships," Wasden said.

There is a safer, free alternative right here in Idaho, called the Career Information Systems (CIS). CIS is a free scholarship search service available to Idaho's college-bound students and their parents.

# FALL SCHOLARSHIPS FROM IDAHO CIS WEBSITE

[www.idahocis.org](http://www.idahocis.org)

User Name: tigercareers

Password: Mycareer1st

## Babe Ruth Scholarship Program

Award:	1-10 - \$1,000 scholarships; non-renewable.	
At:	Any two-year college, four-year college, or university.	
Description:	Program to provide assistance to individuals (former Babe Ruth Baseball, Cal Ripken Baseball or Babe Ruth Softball players) who plan on furthering their education beyond high school. Outstanding student athletes will receive \$1,000 each towards their college tuition.	
Deadline:	September 1	
Application Requirements:	Application form, transcript, references.	
Contact:	Joseph Smiegocki Scholarship Committee Babe Ruth League Inc. 1770 Brunswick Pike PO Box 5000 Trenton, NJ 8638	Phone: 800.880.3142 Fax: 609.695.2505 E-mail: <a href="mailto:info@baberruthleague.org">info@baberruthleague.org</a> Web: <a href="http://www.baberruthleague.org/">http://www.baberruthleague.org/</a>

## Coca-Cola Scholars Program

Award:	250 - \$10,000-20,000 scholarships; renewable.	
At:	Any two-year college, four-year college, trade/technical school, or university.	
Description:	Renewable scholarship for graduating high school seniors enrolled either full time or part time in accredited colleges or universities. Minimum 3.0 GPA required. 250 awards are granted annually.	
Deadline:	October 31	
Application Requirements:	Application form, transcript, test scores, interview, essay, references.	
Contact:	Mark Davis President Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation Inc. PO Box 442 Atlanta, GA 30301-0442	Phone: 800.306.2653 Fax: 404.733.5439 E-mail: <a href="mailto:scholars@na.ko.com">scholars@na.ko.com</a> Web: <a href="http://www.coca-colascholars.org/">http://www.coca-colascholars.org/</a>

## College JumpStart Scholarship Fund

Award:	6 - \$750-1,500 scholarships; non-renewable.	
At:	Any two-year college, four-year college, trade/technical school, or university.	
Description:	Annual, merit-based competition (financial need is not considered) that is open to 10th - 12th graders, college students, and non-traditional students. Must be committed to going to school and able to express your goals for getting a higher education.	
Deadline:	October 17	
Application Requirements:	Application form, essay.	
Contact:	Scholarship Administrator College JumpStart Scholarship Fund 4546 B10 El Camino No. 325 Los Altos, CA 94022	E-mail: <a href="mailto:admin@jumpstart-scholarship.net">admin@jumpstart-scholarship.net</a> Web: <a href="http://www.jumpstart-scholarship.net">http://www.jumpstart-scholarship.net</a>

## Dow Jones Newspaper Fund: High School Journalism Workshop

Award:	8 - \$1,000 scholarships; non-renewable.	
To Study:	Journalism	
At:	Any four-year college or university.	
Description:	Participants in DJNF summer workshops are nominated for writing, multimedia, and photography awards based on their published work. Scholarships are presented to the best writers, digital producers, and photographers to pursue media careers.	
Deadline:	October 1	
Application Requirements:	Application form, essay, references, entry in a contest, portfolio.	
Contact:	Linda Shockley Deputy Director Dow Jones News Fund, Inc. PO Box 300 Princeton, NJ 08543-0300	Phone: 609.452.2820 Fax: 609.520.5804 E-mail: <a href="mailto:djnf@dowjones.com">djnf@dowjones.com</a> Web: <a href="https://www.newsfund.org/">https://www.newsfund.org/</a>

## Horatio Alger Association Scholarship Program

Award:	1,009 - \$6,000-21,000 scholarships; renewable.	
At:	Any four-year college or university.	
Description:	The association provides financial assistance to high school seniors (US citizens only) who have faced adversity, have financial need, and are pursuing higher education. Recipients must pursue a bachelor's degree however they may start their studies at a 2-year school and then transfer to a 4-year university. Minimum 2.0 GPA required.	
Deadline:	October 25	
Application Requirements:	Application form, transcript, test scores, financial need analysis, essay, references.	
Contact:	Lindsay Paul Educational Programs Administrator Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, Inc. 99 Canal Center Plaza, Suite 320 Alexandria, VA 22314	Phone: 703.684.9444 Fax: 703.684.9445 E-mail: <a href="mailto:lpaul@horatioalger.org">lpaul@horatioalger.org</a> Web: <a href="http://www.horatioalger.org">http://www.horatioalger.org</a>

## Idaho Society of Professional Land Surveyors Scholarship for High School Students

Award:	Three \$500 awards.	
To Study:	Geomatics, Surveying Technology, or Civil Engineering Technology.	
At:	Idaho State University or Lewis-Clark State College.	
Description:	Open to graduating seniors in Idaho high schools who will be entering as full time students in the fall semester following graduation. Selection based on answers to questions in the application form, letters of recommendation and a statement of intent to enroll in one of the programs mentioned above. To be considered, a student must have a minimum grade point average of 2.0 from an accredited Idaho high school. High school transcripts, biography or list of academic and/or extracurricular achievements may be considered.	
Deadline:	October 30	
Procedure:	The application for the scholarship will be available at the web address below.	
Contact:	Idaho Society of Professional Land Surveyors PO Box 7886 Boise, ID 83707	Phone: 208.658.9970 Web: <a href="http://www.idahospls.org/education/scholarships">http://www.idahospls.org/education/scholarships</a>

## Jewish Guild for the Blind: Guild Scholar Award

Award:	Up to 16 - \$10,000-15,000 scholarships; non-renewable.	
At:	Any four-year college or university.	
Description:	Annual scholarship program for college-bound high school students who are legally blind. Applications will be accepted from students at the beginning of the senior year (September 15th).	
Deadline:	September 15	
Application Requirements:	Application form, transcript, autobiography, test scores, essay, references, special requirements exist.	
Contact:	Gordon Rovins Director of Special Programs Jewish Guild HealthCare 15 West 65th Street New York, NY 10023	Phone: 212.769.7801 Fax: 212.579.3251 E-mail: <a href="mailto:guildscholar@guildhealth.org">guildscholar@guildhealth.org</a> Web: <a href="http://www.guildhealth.org">http://www.guildhealth.org</a>

## United Negro College Fund: Nissan Scholarship

Award:	\$2,500 scholarship; non-renewable.	
To Study:	Business/Consumer Services, Engineering/Technology, Finance	
At:	Any four-year college or university.	
Description:	Scholarship for current college freshmen enrolled at any HBCU. Total award of \$10,000 over 4 years (\$2,500 per academic year) and an opportunity to participate in Nissan's internship program. Must be majoring in engineering, business, marketing, information technology or finance. Minimum 3.0 GPA required.	
Deadline:	October 21	
Application Requirements:	Application form, transcript, special requirements exist.	
Contact:	Program Services United Negro College Fund 8260 Willow Oaks Corporate Drive Fairfax, VA 22031-4511	Phone: 703.205.3486 Web: <a href="http://www.uncf.org/">http://www.uncf.org/</a>

## Western Golf Association: Evans Scholarship

Award:	Up to 240 - \$80,000 scholarships; renewable	
At:	Any four-year college or university.	
Description:	Full tuition and housing scholarship renewable for up to 4 years. Available to high school seniors who have worked at least two years as a caddy at a Western Golf Association member club. Must demonstrate financial need, excellent academics and outstanding character. For more information visit: <a href="http://www.wgaesf.org">http://www.wgaesf.org</a>	
Deadline:	September 30	
Application Requirements:	Application form, transcript, test scores, interview, financial need analysis, essay, references, photograph.	
Contact:	Scholarship Committee Western Golf Association Evans Scholars Foundation One Briar Road Golf, IL 60029	Phone: 847.724.4600 E-mail: <a href="mailto:applications@wgaesf.org">applications@wgaesf.org</a> Web: <a href="http://www.wgaesf.org">http://www.wgaesf.org</a>

Scholarship Application Tracker

## Organization helps remove stress of managing applications for college, scholarships

Students who want to apply to several colleges and scholarships may get a overwhelmed by the dizzying array of deadlines, essays, and letters of recommendation. Below is a table which creates a comparative view to help keep everything in order.

(Student Name)	College / Scholarship					
Name/Title						
Description						
Scholarship Sponsor						
Contact Name						
Address						
Telephone Fax Email						
Date Info Requested						
Date Info Received						
Date Application Submitted						
Date Recommendation Requested						
Date Essay submitted						
Date Transcript Requested						
Accept or Decline						
Date Sent Thank You						
Notes						
Conclusions						