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College Application Info

Hello Seniors...please keep in close contact with your school counselor about your progress on your college applications. Remember, we don't send transcripts, recommendations, etc. until you tell us you are ready for them to go. We want to do that fairly close to the time you submit your part of the application. Please keep in mind that the possibility of bad weather can add complications and delays. The best advice is to take care of things in a timely fashion. In other words, **DON'T PROSCRATINATE!!** You'll feel a whole lot better about things –and your parents will too—if you just get it done. Also, please let us know as soon as you begin to hear back from colleges to which you have applied. We're anxious to hear the outcome as well. Come see us if you have any questions or need assistance.

Financial Aid

Financial aid is one of the most important aspects of the college application process. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) is the form used to apply for financial aid. All colleges use the information provided on this application to determine financial aid awards. You may submit an online FAFSA by going to www.fafsa.ed.gov.

Scholarships

Scholarships are beginning to roll into the School Counseling office. Come by immediately to check them out. A table is set up outside the career center with instructions and applications. Please read the information printed below and at the scholarship table before you take anything.

- You must meet deadlines stated for returning the applications to your counselor.
- Make sure you thoroughly read the application to determine exactly what information you will need to provide and whether you meet the qualifications for the scholarship.
- Do not turn in incomplete applications. Please use blue or black ink, no pencil for applications.
- If all the applications are gone, let your counselor know and she will copy some more.



The following scholarships are available in the School Counseling Department:

1. **The Awareness Garden Scholarship** (\$2500 scholarship) – This scholarship is available to students whose lives have been impacted by cancer or plan to work in a cancer related field. You may download an application at www.awarenessgarden.org **Due to your counselor: February 22**
2. **Allen, Allen, Allen & Allen's George E. Allen Scholarship** (\$1500 scholarship) – This scholarship recognizes students who despite obstacles or special challenges, have achieved high standards of performance. Please visit www.allenandallen.com/scholarships for the application and submission criteria. **Due to your counselor: February 24.**
3. **Amherst-Monroe Ruritan Club Scholarship** (\$800 scholarship) - Applicants must live in the Amherst/Monroe area of the county. Students will be selected on the basis of GPA, financial need, extracurricular activities, Ruritan relation (child or grandchild) and educational goals. **Due to your counselor: March 6.**
4. **The Temperance Ruritan Club Scholarship** (two \$400 scholarships) - This scholarship is based on academic record, extracurricular activities, need, etc. Students must write a short essay. This scholarship is for students who have attended Temperance Elementary School. **Due to your counselor: March 9.**
5. **The Woman's Club of Lynchburg Scholarship** (\$1000 scholarship) – This scholarship requires a copy of your FAFSA report, an essay, two recommendations and an official transcript. **Due to your counselor: March 15.**
6. **The Dr. Gordon Kyle Leonard Memorial Scholarship** (\$2000 scholarship) – This scholarship will be given to an ACHS graduating senior who indicates a desire to pursue a degree in the medical field, which does not include

veterinarian sciences, through a two-year, three-year, or four-year program of studies. **Due to your counselor: March 21.**

7. ***Elon Ruritan Club Education Grant Program*** (\$600 scholarship) – Applicants must be residents of Amherst County, with preference given to students in the Elon School District area. Students will be selected on the basis of financial need, character, academic promise, and desire by the applicant for further education or training. **Due to your counselor: March 21.**
8. ***The Lynchburg Branch of the American Association of University Women Scholarship*** (AAUW) (three \$3000 scholarships) – The recipient will be a woman from Central Virginia planning to attend a four-year college or university. Students must write an essay, provide recommendations, transcripts, and provide a completed FAFSA form. **Due to your counselor: March 24.**
9. ***The Delta Kappa Gamma Society Scholarship*** (\$1000 scholarship) - This scholarship will be given to a young woman who plans to enter the field of education after college. **Due to your counselor: March 31.**
10. ***The Mary L. Gregory Scholarship*** (two \$1000 scholarships) – This scholarship was established to honor the memory of a former Amherst resident who devoted forty years to teaching in public high schools in Fairfax and Norfolk. Applicants must be ACHS seniors who will be full-time students for the fall term at an accredited two or four-year college or university. Students must have at least a 3.2 GPA. **Due to your counselor: April 3.**
11. ***The Central Virginia Federal Credit Union Joseph P. Crouch Memorial Scholarship*** (\$1000 scholarship) – Requirements include a transcript, a copy of college acceptance letter, two letters of recommendation, an essay, and become a CVFCU member by Feb. 10th. **Due to your counselor: April 10.**
12. ***The Barnard Family Health and Wellness Scholarship*** – This scholarship will be awarded to a student who plans to pursue a health-related course of study. Applicants must have a 3.5 GPA or higher, provide a personal essay, two letters of recommendation, and an official transcript. An interview may also be necessary if selected as a finalist. **Due to your counselor: April 21.**
13. ***Student-view.com*** offers \$11,000 worth of scholarships to high school seniors who plan to attend a four-year college, community college, or career school. Please visit their website for more information. **Deadline: April 22**
14. ***The Amherst Association for Family and Community Education*** (\$1250 scholarship) - This scholarship will be awarded an Amherst County High School senior based on two references, a transcript, and brief essay questions. **Due to your counselor: March 27.**
15. ***Aspiring Animation Professional Scholarship*** (\$1000 scholarship) – This scholarship will be awarded to students interested in pursuing an animation career path at an accredited post-secondary school or college. Please apply through www.animationcareerreview.com/ **Deadline: June 1.**
16. ***Aspiring Business Professional Scholarship*** (\$1000 scholarship) – It will be awarded students interested in pursuing a business degree at any accredited post-secondary school or college. Please apply at www.onlinembareport.com/ **Deadline: June 1.**
17. ***Aspiring Nurse Scholarship*** (\$1000 scholarship) – This scholarship is open to all high school seniors who plan to pursue college education in nursing including LPN/LVN, AND, and BSN programs. Visit www.nursingschoolsalmanac.com to apply. **Deadline: June 30.**
18. ***Sigma Phi Epsilon at Virginia Tech's Balanced Man Scholarship*** (several \$1000 scholarships) – This scholarship is for male students who plan to attend Virginia Tech in the academic year 2017-2018. Please visit the following website to apply <http://virginiatechbms.com/>
19. ***Vivint Smart Home Scholarship*** – Please visit www.vivint.com/scholarship for details.
20. ***Scholly*** – the app that has connected students with \$50 million in scholarships is available for a one-time fee of \$2.99.

National College Resources Foundation presents the ***Black College Expo*** on Saturday, March 4th 10am – 5pm. Provides students with the following opportunities: get accepted to college on the spot, get college application fees waived, get scholarships on the spot, attend seminars on how to find money for college and information for student athletes. Registration deadline is February 21st. Apply at www.thecollegeexpo.org

