# Scholarships Ideas for Seniors:

1) AFA Teens for Alzheimer's Awareness College Scholarship:

For college-bound high school juniors and seniors. Applicants need to write an essay on Alzheimer, and one winner gets the grand prize of \$5,000.

(www.afateens.org)

2) Coca-Cola Scholarships:

For college-bound high school students. The scholarship is \$25,000, and one award is given each year.

(www.ncaa.com/collegebound)

3) Best Buy Scholarship:

For college-bound high school students with strong academic background and community service. 60 awards of \$1,000 to \$25,000 are available.

(www.bestbuy.com)

4) The Fountainhead Essay Contest

For high school students who participate in an essay contest on the novel Fountainhead by Ayn Rand. 236 scholarships are available, each worth \$10,000.

(www.aynrand.org)

5) Signet Classics Scholarship:

For high school juniors and seniors writing an essay on one of the four topics determined by the committee every year. 5 scholarships of 1,000 each are available.

(us.penguingroup.com)

# 6) NRA Civil Rights Defense Fund:

For high school students who are nominated by their high school. The high schools should have a good record of academic success. Several scholarships are available at \$20,000 each. (www.toyota.com/about/community/education)

# 13) AXA Achievement Community Scholarships:

For high school students with high ambition and drive, determination to reach goals, respect for self, family and community and possession of ability to succeed in college. 350 scholarships of \$2,000 each are given. (www.axa-achievement.com)

## 14) US Bank Internet Scholarships:

For high school seniors applying to college or university. 30 scholarships of \$1,000 each are available. (www.usbank.com/studentbanking)

15) American Planning Association High School Essay Contest: For high school juniors and seniors writing an essay on certain topics. 11 scholarships of \$5,000 each are available. (www.planning.org/essay)

# 16) CBAI Annual Scholarships:

For high school seniors statewide. Students are asked to write an essay. 13 scholarships of \$4,000 each are available. (www.cbai.com)

## 17) National Vocabulary Competition:

For high school students between ages of 13 to 19. Applicants should take the National Qualifying Exam. 50 finalists win a trip to the championship finals. The scholarship amount is \$40,000. (www.winwithwords.com)

## 18) Youth Foundation Scholarship:

For high school seniors planning to attend a 4-year college program. All fields of study are applicable. Several scholarships of \$2500 to \$4000 are available.

(www.fdncenter.org/grantmaker/youthfdn)

# 19) Annual Poster Contest for High School Students:

For all high school students grades 9 through 12. Several awards of \$100-\$1000 are available. (www.christophers.org)

# 20) Walt Disney Company Foundation Scholarship:

For high school seniors planning to major in business administration or fine arts programs. 1 scholarship worth \$5000 is available. (www.ja.org/programs/programs\_schol.shtml)

# 21) Junior Achievement Nelnet Scholarship:

For high school seniors with a minimum GPA of 3.00 who demonstrate financial need. 10 awards of 1000 available. (www.studentcenter.ja.org)

# 22) Outstanding Students of America Scholarships:

For high school students who have a minimum GPA of 3.00 who demonstrate excellent commitment to community services. Several scholarships of \$1000 are available.

(www.outstandingstudentsofamerica.com)

## 23) Bruce Lee Scholarships:

For graduating high school seniors who are planning to enroll in university. Several awards of \$5000 are available. (www.uspaacc.com/student/Bruce\_Lee\_Scholarship.htm)

## 24) College Matters Scholarship:

For high school graduates or seniors who plan to enroll in college. Several scholarships ranging between \$1000 - \$5000 each are available.

(No website; send applications/inquiries to "College Matters, PO Box 380287, Cambridge, MA 02238)

# 25) KFC Colonel's Scholars Scholarship:

For high school seniors planning to attend college. Several scholarships of \$5000 each are available. (www.kfcscholars.org)

# 26) Courageous Persuaders Scholarships:

For high school students who create a 30-second TV commercial targeted at middle school students warning them of dangers of underage alcohol. 7 awards of \$500 to \$3000 are available. (www.courageouspersuaders.com)

# 27) Apple Scholarships:

For college-bound high school seniors who are planning to attend a 2- or 4-year college or university. 10 winners are chosen, each receive a MacBook Pro, iPod Nano, and \$2000. (www.apple.com/education/students/scholars)

# 28) Siemens Westinghouse Competition:

For all high school students competing in the team contest and for only seniors competing in the individual contest. Several scholarships of \$1000 to \$100000 are available.

(www.siemensfoundation.org/en/competition.htm)

# 29) Young Naturalist Scholarship:

For students in grade 7 through grade 12 willing to conduct original research in several areas such as biology, astronomy, and earth science. 12 scholarships of \$2200 each are available.

(www.amnh.org/nationalcenter/youngnaturalistawards)

### 30) National High School Poetry Contest:

For all high school students who submit an original, unpublished poem of less than 20 lines. Several awards of up to \$1500 available.

(www.highschoolpoetrycontest.com)

# 31) Holocaust Remembrance Project Essay Contest:

For high school students in the United States and Mexico who are 19 years old or younger. Students must submit an essay. 30 awards of \$100 to \$5000 are available.

(www.holocaust.hklaw.com)

# 32) The 7th Generation Community Service Scholarships:

For high school seniors or graduates who are planning to enroll in a 4-year university or college. Several awards of up to \$20000 are available. (www.7thgeneration.org/Programs.asp)

# 33) Eco-Hero Award:

For high school students who show environmental awareness. Students must work on a project that show environmental concerns. (www.actionfornature.org/eco-hero)

# 34) Angel Soft Angels in Action Scholarship:

For students between the ages of 8 and 18 who perform service and dedication to their community or a cause. 11 awards of \$2500 to \$20000 are available.

(www.angelsoft.com/angels\_in\_action.html)

# 35) The American and Pacific Islander Scholarship Fund (APIASF Scholarship):

For students of Asian or Pacific Islander ethnicity who are getting enrolled full time in a four- or two-year college or university. Several awards of \$2000 are available.

(www.apiasf.org)

## 36) Al Neuharth Free Spirit Scholarship:

For senior high school students who show free spirit and are interested in a career and education in journalism. Several scholarships of a minimum of \$1000 are available.

(www.freedomforum.org/freespirit)

# 37) National Peace Essay Contest:

For high school students in grades nine through twelve who are attending a public, private or parochial school. Several awards of \$1000 to \$10000 are available.

(www.usip.org/ed/npec/)

# 38) Sam Walton Community Scholarships:

For senior high school students planning to attend an accredited US university or college approved by the Wal-Mart Foundation. Selection is based on financial need, academic merit, ACT/SAT scores, and extracurricular involvement. Several scholarships of \$1000 to \$25000 are available.

(www.walmartstores.com/CommunityGiving/8732.aspx)

# 39) Most Valuable Student Competition:

For senior high school students who are US citizens. Selection is based on leadership, financial need and scholarship. 500 awards of \$1000 to \$15000 are available.

(www.elks.org/enf/scholars/mvs.cfm)

Visit <u>http://www.highscholarships.com/scholarships-for-high-school-students.html#</u> for more scholarships likes these.

### **GEWN Leader of Tomorrow Scholarship**

The purpose of the GEWN Scholarship Fund is to assist in the college education of one or more Georgia female Leaders of Tomorrow. GEWN will award up to four \$3,000 scholarships this year to female, non-traditional, full-time students who are attending or planning to attend a metropolitan Atlanta accredited college or university in a four-year undergraduate program of study. Non-traditional is defined as a student who is at least 24 years old.

To qualify for the scholarship, the applicant must:

- Be a female at least 24 years old who has been a Georgia resident for at least one year (must be at least 24 years old by August 1st of the upcoming academic year)
- Be a full-time student in a metropolitan Atlanta accredited college or university in a four-year undergraduate program of study
- Have a college or high school grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 scale OR an SAT score of at least 1200 OR an equivalent ACT score
- Have demonstrated leadership abilities in school, work or community

### All applicants must submit:

- GEWN Scholarship Application
- Two letters of recommendation in individual envelopes (signed over the sealed flap) that document leadership accomplishments from any of the following people: teacher, principal, guidance counselor, employer or person of similar stature
- Typed essay (up to 500 words) answering the question "What are your professional/community goals and objectives after you complete your college education?"
- An official transcript from college or high school submitted by the school in a sealed envelope OR an official SAT or ACT score.

All materials must be sent to the following address: GEWN Scholarship Committee Co-Chair 4647 Clary Lakes Drive Roswell, GA 30075

### Georgia State Golf Foundation Yates Scholarship Program

Yates Scholarships are awarded to employees, or dependents of employees, of Georgia State Golf Association member clubs. These people, or their parents, may be employed in any area of a club's operation - golf operations, golf course maintenance, clubhouse, administrative, etc. These scholarships are considered an additional benefit of a club's membership in the GSGA. Playing golf is not a prerequisite. Financial need, academic progress, club work experience and character and values are considered in the application and interview process for the candidates. Applications are due by March 1st each year for the following school year.

### Georgia Mining Foundation Scholarship Program

The Georgia Mining Association is comprised of over 45 mining and mineral producers who have operations in 112 counties in Georgia. The Association also includes more than 150 other companies that provide the mining

industry with supplies and services. These companies have a significant impact on Georgia with more than 7,000 persons directly employed in the companies' operations.

To assist worthy students in Georgia with college tuition, the Georgia Mining Foundation was established with a \$20,000 scholarship fund to be distributed as individual \$500 scholarships. In addition to these individual \$500 scholarships, the Foundation will also be giving away three (3) \$1,000 scholarships to be paid out over two years (\$500 a year for two years). High school seniors attending schools in Georgia are eligible to apply.

The following criteria is used in the decision-making process to determine the scholarship winners. The applicant must::

- Have been accepted for admission to an accredited college or university in the State of Georgia.
- Attain a minimum score of 1300 on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (University of Georgia standard)
- Have an overall average of 85% or higher
- Completed required high school courses including:
- four years of college preparatory English
- three years of history plus social sciences
- five courses from these math/science courses: Algebra I, II; Geometry; Physical Science; Biology; Chemistry
- Receive a faculty recommendation (teacher or counselor) and approval from the principal or headmaster of the school. The recommendation (maximum of one page) should address the following personal qualities; integrity, written/oral expression, extra-curricular activities, personality, motivation, initiative, leadership, community involvement and financial need.
- Provide an essay (200 words or less) addressing the following topics; activities, home life, plans for the scholarship money, how it will help you in the future, and what you would like the committee to know about you. This essay is to provide the judges with a more personal insight about the student.
- Provide any further evidence of financial need
- provide a copy of high school transcript

The Foundation will host a luncheon in which the check will be presented to the student, and a photograph will be taken. A representative of the Foundation would also like to recognize the recipient with a certificate during Honor's Day ceremonies.

### Watson-Brown Foundation, Inc.

The mission of the Watson-Brown Foundation is to provide college scholarships to area students based on merit and need. This internal scholarship program is entirely managed by the staff of the Foundation. Scholarship awards are decided by the Board of Trustees during its regular second quarter meeting. The Foundation awards individual annual scholarships of \$3,000 and \$5,000. Scholarships are renewable for the student's first four years of undergraduate study. 200 scholarships are awarded each year. Currently, the Foundation is funding over 800 students at 140 colleges and universities across the country.

High School and undergraduate college students from 16 counties in Georgia and South Carolina are eligible for the scholarship. Scholarship recipients must attend four year, accredited U.S. colleges and universities. To be considered, scholarship applications must be completed ONLINE at www.watson-brown.org/scholarship. Supporting documents (transcript, tax forms, letters of recommendation) must be postmarked by February 15.

All scholarship checks are mailed directly from the Foundation to the financial aid office of the applicable college or university.

Scholarship decision letters are mailed from the Foundation office on April 15.

### AWS Airgas Terry Jarvis Memorial Scholarship

The Airgas - Terry Jarvis Memorial Scholarship will be awarded to an undergraduate student pursuing a minimum four-year bachelors degree in welding engineering (WE) or welding engineering technology (WET); however, priority will be given to welding engineering (WE) students interested in pursuing a career with an industrial gas or welding equipment distributor.

All applicants must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Applicant must be a minimum of eighteen years of age
- Applicant must have a minimum high school diploma or equivalent
- Applicant must be a full-time student as defined by the academic institution
- Applicant must have at least a 2.8 overall grade point average with a 3.0 grade point average in engineering courses
- Financial need is not required; however, priority will be given to those individuals demonstrating a financial need.
- Priority will be given to those individuals who demonstrate an interest in pursuing a career with an industrial gas or welding equipment distributor by prior work experience, clubs, organizations or extra-curricular activities
- Applicant must be a citizen of the United States or Canada and plan to attend an academic institution located within the United States or Canada
- Applicant must submit all required application information
- Priority will be given to those individuals residing or attending school in the states of Alabama, Georgia or Florida. (A resident is defined as having lived in the specified area for a minimum of one year.)

Applicants may reapply; however, persons who have received this award may reapply and may be granted the award for a maximum of four years.

The award will be presented to individuals nationwide. Applicant does not have to be a member of the American Welding Society.

# The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the State of Georgia Scholarship

Sponsored by The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the State of Georgia (NSCDA-GA), The Georgia Trust offers two scholarships in the amount of \$1500 each to promote excellence in the study of American history and historic preservation.

These scholarships encourage students to pursue degrees that will lead to working in preservation and related fields and thereby assist The Georgia Trust in its goals to conserve Georgia's built environment, inform the public about the benefits of historic preservation, and assist individuals and communities in their restoration and preservation projects.

Applicants with family affiliations to The National Society of The Colonial Dames of America are not elgible for the NSCDA-GA scholarship.

### NAPA Research and Education Foundation Scholarship Program

The NAPA Research and Education Foundation Scholarship Program(NAPAREF) currently provides funding for undergraduate or graduate students who are U.S. citizens and enrolled in full-time civil engineering, construction management, or construction engineering cirriculum at an accredited four-year college or university or two-year technical institution.

The institution selected by the student must offer, and the student must take, at least one course on HMA technology. Financial need will not be considered and scholarship awards are renewable up to two years or graduation, whichever occurs first, on the basis of satisfactory academic performance and continued eligibility for the program. Participants in the NAPAREF scholarship program will be selected utilizing standard recipient selection procedures as developed by a leading scholarship management firm. Criteria include consideration of past academic performance and future potential, leadership and participation in school and community activities, work experience, statement of career and educational aspirations, goals, unusual personal or family circumstances, and an outside appraisal.

### **GSFC Governors Scholarships**

The objective of the GSFC Governor's Scholarships is to recognize and financially assist graduating Georgia high school seniors of exceptional merit who choose to attend a public or private college or university in Georgia by providing an academic scholarship.

### **ELIGIBILITY:**

- \*Be selected by the Georgia Department of Education as a Georgia Scholar or named valedictorian, salutatorian, or STAR student from an eligible Georgia high school;
- \*Be enrolled as a full-time undergraduate freshman at an eligible college in Georgia within nine calendar months following graduation from high school;
- \*Cannot be receiving non-repayable aid which totals more than the school's cost of attendance budget;
- \*Maintain satisfactory academic progress;
- \*Be a legal resident of Georgia and U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident Alien;
- \*Have no defaulted student loan or refund due on state aid;
- \*Meet Selective Service requirements;
- \*Be in compliance with the Georgia Drug-Free Postsecondary Education Act of 1990;
- \*Can renew for three additional years if a 3.0 grade average is maintained and 30 semester/45 quarter hours are earned each academic year

### APPLICATION PROCEDURES:

Complete Governor's Scholarship Application. (One is automatically mailed to each candidate.) Financial Aid Office certifies the application and forwards it to the Authority. Renewals must submit an academic transcript.

### Georgia Law Enforcement Personnel Dependents Grant

To assist the dependent children of Georgia law enforcement officers, firefighters, emergency medical technicians, and prison guards who were permanently disabled or killed in the line of duty by providing grant funds toward the cost of attendance at eligible public or private postsecondary institutions in Georgia.

#### Eligibility

- Be the dependent child of a Georgia law enforcement officer, firefighter, emergency medical technician or prison guard who was permanently disabled or killed in the line of duty;
- Be enrolled in a Georgia public or private college/university or public technical college as a full-time undergraduate student seeking a college degree or technical certificate/diploma;
- Be a legal resident of Georgia; 12 months prior to receiving aid;
- Be a U.S. citizen or national of the U.S. or have evidence from INS of eligible permanent resident alien status;
- Be in compliance with Selective Service registration requirements;
- Be in compliance with the Georgia Drug-Free Postsecondary Education Act of 1990;

- Not be in default or owe a refund on a student financial aid program;
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress, as defined by the college.

### Carson Scholars Fund, Inc.

Carson Scholars Fund, Inc. aims to recognize and reward students in grade 4-11 who have earned the highest level of academic achievement. Emphasis is placed on students' performance and desire to maintain a strong academic record, as well as humanitarian qualities that have a positive impact on society.

To be considered for nomination, students must: Be enrolled in grades 4-11, be nominated by an educator, have a grade point average (GPA) of 3.75 or above on a 4.0 scale in academic subjects, and demonstrate humanitarian qualities in school and community through school programs and/or community service above and beyond what is required.

To obtain an application, please see your guidance counselor or principal. The Carson Scholars Fund does not send applications to individual scholars.