

Scholarships 3

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Name: Commerce Bank American Dream Scholarship

Deadline: Apply online from November 1, 2007 through December 15, 2007

Details: Commerce is dedicated to expanding educational opportunities and encouraging individual growth for the students within our neighborhoods. The Commerce Bank *American Dream Scholarships* recognize the accomplishments of high school seniors who have demonstrated academic achievement and a commitment to community service. Each year, Commerce awards \$1,000 scholarships to graduating high school seniors enrolling in full-time programs at accredited 2-or 4-year colleges or vocational-technical schools in the United States. Commerce will award 225 scholarships for the 2007-2008 academic year.

Student applicants are equally evaluated on their success both in and out of the classroom. Scholarship recipients are selected on the basis of academic records, goals and aspirations, demonstrated leadership and participation in community service activities and school activities, work experience, unusual circumstances, and an outside appraisal. Financial need is not a factor. Awards are provided for one year only and are not renewable.

Eligibility Requirements:

- * Be graduating high school seniors, residing in a county served by Commerce Bank.
- * Plan to enroll in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited 2- or 4-year college, university or vocational-technical school in the United States.
- * Have a minimum cumulative high school grade point average of 3.0 (based on a 4.0 scale) or equivalent.
- * Demonstrate leadership and participation in Community Service, Volunteerism, School Activities, and/or Employment Responsibilities.

Apply: If you meet the criteria listed above, visit www.commerceonline.com/american dream

Name: McKelvey First Generation Education Scholarship

Deadline: December 1, 2007

Details: Are you the first in your family to pursue a college education? The McKelvey Foundation celebrates that drive and determination by awarding 150 scholarships to high school seniors who'd be the first in their families to attend college. Dedicated and involved students whose resources may be limited, but whose ambitions are not. The Foundation will award \$12,000 scholarships for qualifying high school seniors to attend ANY four-year college in their home state.

To be considered for this award, applicants must:

- * Be a first generation to attend college (neither mother nor father went to college)
- * Have financial need
- * Show involvement in work and/or extra curricular activities
- * Submit a completed online application
- * Fill out a FAFSA form to apply for all other financial aid
- * Attend a four-year college within their home state

Other things you should know:

- * Awards will be granted up to \$3,000 per year for all four year
- * Scholars must maintain a 2.5 GPA
- * The Foundation will sponsor a mandatory one day seminar for all winners during the spring/summer as an orientation to college and the Foundation
- * \$2,500 will be available to each scholar for a study abroad program

Apply: www.mckelveyfoundation.org/mckelvey/

Name: Paul Hausser Scholarship Award

Deadline: December 10, 2007

Details: The Paul Hausser Memorial Scholarship Fund will award up to two \$500 scholarships to deserving high school seniors who intend to go on to college and pursuer a career in education. Candidates who have played for an affiliated New Jersey Youth Soccer club may apply. To be considered, an application form must be completed in its entirety with the required supporting documentation (transcript and essay on why you believe you deserve the scholarship).

Apply: www.njyouthsoccer.com//awards/phmsf.pdf

Name: Rider University's 28th Annual High School Writing Contest

Deadline: December 14, 2007

Details: Enter to be eligible for a cash prize as well as considered for publication in "Venture", Rider's literary magazine.

Prizes in each category are as follows: 1st = \$100, 2nd = \$50, 3rd = \$25

All finalists will receive a Certificate of Honorable Mention

CATEGORIES:

1. **ESSAY:** Write a personal essay, **labeled "ESSAY"**, ON A TOPIC OF YOUR CHOICE OF NO MORE THAN FIVE DOUBLE-SPACED, TYPED PAGES.
2. **FICTION:** Write a short story, labeled FICTION, of nor more than five double-spaced, typed pages.
3. **POETRY:** Write a poem of no more than 50 lines.

RULES:

1. Type on the entry:
 - Your name and address
 - Grade
 - Teacher's Name
 - School Name and Address
2. Include a letter from a teacher stating that the work is original and by you.
3. Entries **must be typed**. Handwritten entries **will not be read**. Stories and essays **must be double-spaced**. Single-spaced prose **will not be read**. Please give your story, essay, and/or poem a title.
4. Only **one** entry per category will be considered. Choose your best writing and send only one.
5. Mail your entry postmarked no alter than December 14, 2007 to:
 - Dr. Robbie Clipper Sethi
 - English Department
 - Rider University
 - 2083 Lawrenceville Road
 - Lawrenceville, NJ 08648

* Entries cannot be returned. Winners will be announced in April 2008. Include a self-addressed stamped envelope if you wish to receive a list of winners.

Name: Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship Program

Deadline: December 14, 2007

Type: Nomination

Details: The Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship Program, recognizes high school seniors from Comcast communities for their commitment to community service, academics, and demonstrated leadership. To acknowledge these accomplishments, recipients of the award will receive a one-time grant of \$1,000. **Only one** senior from your high school may be nominated to apply.

Requirements:

- * Student grade point average of 2.8 or higher
- * Strong commitment to and involvement in community service
- * Demonstrate leadership abilities in school activities or through work experiences
- * Employees of Comcast, its subsidiaries and affiliates, and their families are not eligible

Apply: If you think that you meet the criteria and would like to be considered, see your guidance counselor.

Name: Beneficial Scholars Program

Deadline: December 14, 2007

Details: Beneficial Bank has been part of the neighborhood since 1853, and we have always believed in the importance of educating children and young adults. In keeping with our ongoing commitment to serving individuals, families, and businesses throughout the greater Philadelphia region, we are pleased to announce the fifth annual Beneficial Scholars Program. This year a Grand Prize scholarship of \$20,000 and five one-year scholarships of \$5,000 each will be awarded to high school seniors.

Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be high school seniors, graduating in spring 2008 from public, private, parochial, and charter schools;
- Reside in Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, or Philadelphia counties in Pennsylvania, or Camden, Burlington, or Gloucester counties in New Jersey;
- Plan to attend an accredited higher education institution in the fall of 2008;
- Submit entry on or before December 14, 2007; and,
- Submit all materials highlighted in the Submission Checklist section.

Submission Checklist

- Completed student Entry Form (with student and faculty sponsor signatures)
- Three copies of the essay (without name)
- Completed Parent Release Form

Note: One entry per student. Essays will not be returned.

Apply: For further details, including the essay question and rules, visit www.thebeneficial.com and click on "Beneficial Scholars Program 2007 Essay Contest" in the top right corner

Name: The Henry Bean Presidential Scholarship (College of the Holy Cross)

Deadline: January 15, 2008

Details: The Department of Classics and the College of the Holy Cross offer a competitive merit-based scholarships to outstanding high school graduates who will major in the

Classics at Holy Cross. Each year we award two Rev. Henry Bean, S.J., Scholarships, which are four-year, full-tuition, merit-based scholarships. Candidates are expected to have a strong background (equivalent of four years) in Latin and/or Greek, and significant academic achievement in all other subjects, as well as on standardized tests. Joining the ranks of more than sixty Classics majors at Holy Cross, Bean scholars work closely with professors who are dedicated to the teaching of undergraduates. In addition to the application required by the Holy Cross Office of Admissions, applicants for Bean Classics Scholarships must also send to the Chair, Department of Classics:

1. The application form, available for download below
2. An essay describing your interests in the Classics, including both what you have enjoyed learning thus far and what you hope to learn more about as a Classics major
3. At least two letters of recommendation from your high school teachers, sent under separate cover; one letter must be from a Classics teacher and should include a description of the texts used and course material covered

Apply: www.holycross.edu/departments/classics/website/index.html

Name: **Mensa Education and Research Foundation
2006-2007 Scholarship Essay Contest Entry Form**

Deadline: January 15, 2008

Details: The only eligibility requirements are that the applicant be enrolled, for the academic year following the award, in a degree program in an accredited American institute of post-secondary education, and be a resident of the area of a participating local group of American Mensa. For the general awards, the applicant need not be a member of Mensa nor qualified for Mensa, and the general awards are unrestricted as to age, race, gender, level of post-secondary education and financial need.

Conditions for awards: Awards will be made on the basis of an essay of fewer than 550 words, explaining their career, academic and/or vocational goals and how they plan to achieve those goals. Entries will be judged and awarded at three levels: local, regional and national. Awards are made in amounts ranging from \$300 to \$1000.

Apply: To download and print an official entry form, via the Internet go to:
www.mensafoundation.org/scholarships

Name: **James Madison University merit-based Bluestone Scholarship Program**

Deadline: January 15, 2008

Details: Madison Achievement Scholarships

- The Madison Achievement Scholarships are merit-based awards which recognize a broad spectrum of accomplishment and potential.
- Academic department heads are responsible for selecting individuals who possess scholastic achievement within a particular area of study and demonstrate promise to the university.
- Amounts vary from \$2,000 for two years to \$500 for one year; approximately 50 scholarships are awarded annually

Apply: No additional application is required for the Madison Achievement Scholarships. Students will be reviewed using their application for admission to JMU.

To apply, visit www.jmu.edu/admissions/scholarships

Name: **Silas H. Rhodes Scholarship Program**
Deadline: February 1, 2008
Details: Named for SVA's founder and chairman of the board, this competition awards partial-tuition scholarships to applicants from the United States and abroad. The scholarships are awarded strictly on merit and recognize the creative and academic achievements of applicants. A minimum grade point average of 3.0 is required for scholarship eligibility. In order to be considered for the Silas H. Rhodes Scholarship, first-time freshman applicants must submit all admissions and scholarship materials postmarked by February 1, 2008. In addition, scholarship applicants must have a slide portfolio on file along with a completed scholarship application form and letter of recommendation. If slides were submitted with your application, it is not necessary to submit a second set for scholarship consideration. A limited number of Silas H. Rhodes Scholarships are available to new students entering in the spring semester.

To qualify, all admissions and scholarship materials must be postmarked by February 1, 2008. Applicants will not be considered for scholarship until all the requirements for undergraduate admission have been completed.

Apply: www.sva.edu

Name: **Bel Canto Institute's Summer Program**
Deadline: February 1, 2008
Details: Four-week summer program for opera singers, students and coaches in the opera community with the opportunity for in-depth study of roles and language, and to meet and converse with prominent people in their fields. June 30, 2008 – July 26, 2008. Deadline for applications: February 1, 2008

Apply: Applications online at www.belcantoinst.org

Name: **National Co-op Scholarship Program**
Deadline: February 15, 2008
Details: Qualifications include:

- High School GPA of 3.5 (B+) or better
- Complete the National Co-op Scholarship Program application including a typed one-page essay describing why you have chosen to pursue a college cooperative education program.
- Must complete all the required admissions materials and be accepted for the 2008-2009 academic year at one or more of the ten NCCE Partner Colleges & Universities.
- **NOTE: Early applications are highly encouraged**

Participating Schools include: Drexel University, Kettering University, Northeastern University, Wentworth Institute of Technology, C.W. Post Campus of Long Island University, Rochester Institute of Technology, Johnson & Wales University, University of Cincinnati, University of Toledo, Pace University

Apply: For a scholarship application and to complete your application online visit: www.co-op.edu

Name: **The American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year**
Deadline: March 3, 2008
Details: The American Legion Life Insurance Committee provides for a National Scholarship to be awarded to the Eagle Scout who is selected "The American Legion Eagle Scout of

the Year.” The American Legion Eagle Scout of the Year will receive a \$10,000 scholarship. Three second-place scholarship awards will be given in the amount of \$2,500 each.

To be considered for this award, applicants must:

* Be a registered, active member of a Boy Scout Troup, Varsity Scout Team, or Venturing Crew chartered to an American Legion Post, Auxiliary Unit or Sons of The American Legion Squadron.

OR

* Be a registered, active member of a duly chartered Boy Scout Troop, Varsity Scout Team, or Venturing Crew, and the son or grandson of a Legionnaire or Auxiliary member.

AND

* Received the Eagle Scout Award

* Be an active member of his religious institution and must have received the appropriate Boy Scout religious emblem

* Have demonstrated practical citizenship in church, school, Scouting, and community

* Have reached his 15th birthday and be enrolled in high school at the time of selection February 1, 2008. Applicants will not be considered for scholarship until all the requirements for undergraduate admission have been completed.

Note: Eagle Scouts still in high school who reached their 18th birthday during the nomination year remain eligible if otherwise qualified.

Apply:

To download the nomination form visit, www.legion.org and click on “Programs/Events” then “Education Aids” and then “Scholarships.”

Name:

2008 High School Programming Contest

Details:

The Computer Science Department of the College of Computing Science at the New Jersey Institute of Technology is pleased to organize the 2008 NJIT High School Programming Contest on **Friday, April 18, 2008**. The contest brings talented students from High Schools throughout the State of New Jersey to the NJIT Campus to participate in a programming competition. This is the fourth of a series of annual programming contests; earlier editions can be seen below. Participating teams compete by completing programming assignments, and are ranked according to the number of correct programs they deliver within a predefined period of time. Top ranked teams will win prizes and awards. Interested High Schools are invited to participate by fielding a team of three programmers, supervised by a coach. Each High School is allowed only one team.

Apply:

Registration is free, www.cs.njit.edu/contest/

Name:

Carnegie Mellon University Presidential Scholarships

Details:

Presidential Scholarships are awarded to artistically and academically talented middle-income students who qualify for **little or no need-based financial aid** and range from \$1,000 and \$12,000. Unlike our other academic scholarships, you **must** apply for need-based financial aid to be considered. (This verifies that you are **not** eligible for significant financial assistance.)

You must submit the 2008-09 FAFSA in order to be considered for the Presidential Scholarship. If you are awarded the Presidential Scholarship, you must submit all of the required Carnegie Mellon and Federal Student Aid forms and tax documents before the scholarship will be credited toward the student's account. Winners will be identified

in their notification of financial aid.

Apply:

www.cmu.edu

Name:

Misericordia University Scholarships

Details:

Presidential Scholarships

To demonstrate its commitment to academic excellence, the University awards financial assistance to incoming freshmen and transfer students who have attained outstanding academic records. The annual scholarships are renewable until graduation, provided minimum grade point averages are maintained. The minimum averages required for retention of the award are outlined in the scholarship notification letter. Annual award amounts range from \$ 2000 to \$15000. Students apply directly to the Admissions Office of the University for Academic Scholarships.

McAuley Awards

Students with records of leadership, volunteerism and participation in extracurricular activities may qualify for annual awards ranging from \$1000 to \$5000. A separate application will be provided by the admissions office to eligible candidates.

Apply:

www.misericordia.edu

Name:

Johnson & Wales University

Details:

Presidential Academic Scholarship

Terms: Based upon high school academic record

Conditions: Renewable for up to 4 years; maintain 2.75 GPA

Application process: Must complete Johnson & Wales Admissions application & be accepted

Selection criteria: Awarded to incoming students who have outstanding high school academic records

Eligible campus: All

Minimum/maximum: Up to \$5,000

Presidential Leadership Scholarship

Terms: Based upon high school academic record and demonstrated leadership ability

Conditions: Renewable for up to 4 years; maintain 2.75 GPA

Application process: Complete admissions application to reactivate acceptance from the previous academic year

Selection criteria: Awarded to incoming students who have an outstanding high school academic record and leadership ability

Eligible campus: All

Minimum/maximum: \$2,500 up to \$5,000

Apply:

www.jwu.edu