Scholarship Listing

October 2026

Name	Amount	Grade	Requirements	Deadline
AES Engineering Scholarship	**$500**	12	Open to high school seniors planning to continue their education at a postsecondary institution. Applicants do **not** have to major in engineering. Selection is based primarily on a **500–1,000 word essay** about what success would look like in their life 30 years from now. AI-generated applications are not accepted. For more information and application: https://aesengineers.com/scholarships.php (AES Engineering)	**10/8/2026**
National Space Club & Foundation Keynote Scholarship	**$50,000**	12	Open to U.S. citizens who are high school seniors or undergraduate students planning to pursue a **STEM career**, with preference for space-related interests. Applicants submit academic information, recommendations, a short statement, and a video demonstrating communication skills and interest in space/STEM. The recipient delivers the keynote address at the Goddard Memorial Dinner. For more information and application: https://www.spaceclub.org/scholarship/ (Fairfax County Public Schools)	**10/30/2026**
Omega Psi Phi International High School Essay Contest	**$2,000 – 1st Place; $1,000 – 2nd & 3rd**	12	Open to **college-bound high school seniors**. Applicants must submit their entry through a local Omega Psi Phi chapter and write an original **700–750 word essay** on the 2026 topic: how young people can use leadership, service, and innovation to create positive change in their communities. For more information and application: https://oppf.org/international-high-school-essay-contest/ (Omega Psi Phi Fraternity)	**10/31/2026**
Chick-fil-A Community Scholars Program	**$25,000**	12	Awards 13 scholarships annually to students demonstrating academic achievement, **community service, leadership, and financial need**. Recipients also participate in a year-long mentoring and leadership-development program. Funds can be used at accredited colleges, universities, and vocational/technical schools. For more information and application: https://www.chick-fil-a.com/community-scholars (Chick-fil-A)	**11/3/2026**

Jack Kent Cooke College Scholarship Program	**Up to $55,000 per year**	12	For high-achieving high school seniors with significant **financial need** who plan to attend an accredited four-year college or university. Applicants should demonstrate strong academics, leadership, persistence, and service. Application is completed through the Common App and includes **two academic recommendations**. For more information and application: https://www.jkcf.org/our-scholarships/college-scholarship-program/ (Jack Kent Cooke Foundation)	**11/11/2026**
Mensa Foundation Scholarship Program	**Varies – more than $200,000 awarded annually**	12	Applicants submit a **550-word-or-less essay** explaining their academic and professional goals and how their experiences will help them achieve those goals. Students may be considered for local, regional, and national awards, including Tampa Bay and Florida scholarships. Mensa membership is **not required for many awards**. For more information and application: https://www.mensafoundation.org/what-we-do/scholarships/ (Mensa Foundation)	**11/15/2026**
National Honor Society Scholarship	**$3,200–$25,000**	12	Must be a graduating senior and an **active NHS member in good standing** with a verified NHS student account. Applicants are evaluated on the four NHS pillars: **Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character**. For 2026–27, 600 students will receive awards, including 575 awards of $3,200, 24 awards of $5,625, and one $25,000 award. For more information and application: https://www.nationalhonorsociety.org/the-nhs-scholarship/ (NHS)	**11/20/2026**
Jetie B. Wilds, Jr. Youth Leadership and Community Service Scholarship	**Minimum $1,000**	12	Offered by the **Tampa Organization of Black Affairs (TOBA)**. Applicants must be graduating seniors who reside in **Hillsborough County** and attend **Middleton High School or Blake High School**. Designed for African American students who demonstrate academic achievement, leadership, community service, perseverance, strong character, financial need, and the ability to overcome adversity. A school representative must also provide information supporting the student. For more information: https://tobanetwork.org/youth/ — Application (Toba Network)	**11/20/2026**
Aaliyah Lee Scholarship	**$1,000**	11–12	Open to high school juniors and seniors, undergraduate students, and graduate students with at least a **2.5 GPA**. Applicants must be enrolled or planning to enroll part-time or full-time at an accredited U.S. college, university, vocational, or technical institution. For more information and application: https://www.parent-volunteer.org/scholarships (Parent Volunteer)	**11/30/2026**
Burger King Scholars Program	**Up to $60,000**	12	Available to graduating seniors planning to continue their education at an accredited college, university, or vocational/technical school. Scholarships recognize students based on academics, work experience, extracurricular involvement, leadership, and community service. The 2027 application opens October 15 and may close early once **30,000 applications** are received. For more information and application: https://www.burgerkingfoundation.org/programs/burger-king-sm-scholars (Burger King Foundation)	**12/15/2026**
John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest	**Up to $10,000**	9–12	Students submit an original essay examining an act of **political courage by a U.S. elected official who served during or after 1917**. The essay should analyze the obstacles, risks, and consequences associated with the official's decision. For more information and application: https://jfkessaycontest.smapply.io/prog/john_f_kennedy_profile_in_courage_essay_contest/ (JFK Essay Contest)	**1/11/2027**

Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship	**Up to $35,000 over four years**	12	Applicants must be **graduating high school seniors and U.S. citizens**, demonstrate financial need, academic excellence, leadership potential, and community-service involvement, and plan to attend an approved four-year U.S. college or university. Application includes a transcript, ACT/SAT score, recommendation, CSS Profile, activities and **three brief essays**. For more information and application: https://jackierobinson.org/apply/ (Jackie Robinson Foundation)	**1/14/2027**
C. Valentine Bates Memorial HOPE Scholarship	**Varies**	12	Offered by the **Florida State Elks Association** for Florida high school seniors with an **unweighted GPA between 2.30 and 3.59**. Applicants should demonstrate leadership through school activities, community service, and citizenship. Special consideration is given to students who have taken on significant family or work responsibilities and need financial assistance to continue their education. For more information and application: https://floridaelks.org/hope-scholarship (Florida Elks)	**1/15/2027**
Hillsborough Education Foundation Senior Scholarships	**$500–$20,000**	12	Open to high school seniors who **live and attend school in Hillsborough County**. Students complete **one general application** and are automatically matched with eligible scholarships from more than **100 named opportunities**. Awards may consider GPA, field of study, SAT/ACT scores, financial need, challenges overcome, service, and extracurricular involvement. University, community-college, technical-college, and trade-school students may qualify. For more information and application: https://educationfoundation.com/resource/senior-scholarships/ (Hillsborough Education Foundation)	**1/31/2027**