



Frequently Asked Questions

Who is eligible to apply for a scholarship?

Any senior student who attends any Pinellas County Public High School.

How do I apply for a scholarship with the Pinellas Education Foundation?

You will need to complete [one online scholarship application](#). To start an application, go to the Scholarships tab, click on “register”. You will create a user name (your email) and a password to start the application. The first step includes completion of a demographic page and then click on the scholarship category for the remainder of the application. You will be able to save the application and come back later to complete it. Once you have finished your application, a list of eligible scholarships will appear.

Who makes the decision on the applications?

Donors and their committees review your application. They receive applications based on their criteria for eligibility.

Will I be notified if I do not receive a scholarship?

No. Only awarded students are notified. You can check your status from April-May 2021 by logging into your scholarship account at pinellaseducation.awardspring.com

How much money is awarded?

The range is between \$500 and \$5,000. Some scholarships are “multi-year” or renewable over a four-year period.

How do I know if I am getting a scholarship?

You will receive an email from Pinellas Education Foundation. You will need to complete an acceptance form and send it back with a thank you letter addressed to the sponsor. You can also check your AwardSpring account, where scholarship statuses are updated April-June.

Why do I need to write a thank you letter to my scholarship donor?

The companies and individuals who donate to the Foundations’ Scholarship Program are doing so because they believe in education. They can contribute to many other causes, however they chose to help the students of Pinellas County further their education. It is very important to thank them for their support.

How do I receive funds?

All requested documentation must be received by the Foundation before a check request is submitted. Once paperwork is turned in, funds are automatically sent directly to your college the **first week of August**. Please allow a couple weeks for funds to appear on your account. It is the expectation that students will be attending the fall school term. Funds are not sent to students.

What can the funds be used for?

The scholarship funds may be used for tuition, books, room and board, or anything that is a billable item through the school. We ask that you work with your college to apply the funds that work the best for the student. Funds can only be used at accredited schools.

When are funds received?

Funds are sent the first week of August. It is the expectation that students will be attending the **fall school term**.

Are funds sent by semester?

No. The Pinellas Education Foundation sends the school the entire award amount in August.

What if I change schools between semesters?

You must send something in writing (email) showing your withdrawal from that school and indicate your new school. You must request a refund from your current school as a withdrawn student. Once we receive the unused portion of the scholarship, we will then issue it to the new school. Send requests to scholarship@pinellaseducation.org

What if I do not complete the withdrawal process and notify Pinellas Education Foundation?

You will forfeit any unused scholarship monies.

What if my school says they did not receive funds?

Please allow two to three weeks from the check date so the school has time to process the check and put it in your student account. If they still say they do not have the funds, please email you name, name of scholarship, the school and the Student ID number to scholarship@pinellaseducation.org. We will respond via email with the check number and check date. Once the school deposits your check, it is your responsibility to continue working with the school to verify and locate funds.

My scholarship is renewable, what does that mean and how do I renew it?

A renewable scholarship means that the sponsor has decided based on your application that it is possible they will fund additional years of college. You are required to submit by **July 31st** of each year the following:

1. **Official transcript** from college showing that you have maintained a minimum grade point average and been a full time student (12 credit hours)
2. A **thank you letter to the donor**
3. Your **fall course schedule**. The letter and course schedule may be emailed to scholarship@pinellaseducation.org.

Are all scholarships renewable?

No. When you receive the original acceptance letter, it states whether it is a renewable scholarship or not.

Catalog of Traditional Scholarships

Scholarship Name: Aida White Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Pinellas Education Foundation

This scholarship is in memory of Aida White, financially assists a senior in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of St. Petersburg High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must be pursuing a career in science, mathematics, or one of the engineering sciences
 - a. Architecture/Engineering/Aeronautical
 - b. Astronomy
 - c. Bio Chemistry
 - d. Chemistry
 - e. Civil Engineering
 - f. Environmental Sciences
 - g. Genetics
 - h. Marine Biology
 - i. Mathematics
 - j. Meteorology
 - k. Microbiology
 - l. Neuro Science
 - m. Physics
 - n. Science
 - o. Veterinarian Science
4. Applicant must be on Free or Reduced Lunch.

Scholarship Name: Al Downing Jazz Education Scholarship
Sponsor: The Al Downing Tampa Bay Jazz Association

This scholarship was established to financially assist a senior in furthering their studies in jazz.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in Arts – Jazz. (Education – Music, Music Education)
4. Applicant must participate in Band/Music in their senior year.
5. Applicant must have a 2.0 or higher GPA.

Additional Requirements:

1. Students must submit a recorded audition (maximum of 20 minutes) demonstrating ability to interpret jazz and improvise in a style reflecting exposure to the jazz idiom. The recording may be on CD or cassette labeled with the student's name, instrument, school, home address and listing of tunes performed on the recording. Students must perform three (3) contrasting selections (one must be a blues) with live accompaniment. Selected tunes must be from the standard jazz repertoire. All performers (except drummers), are expected to play/sing the melody and improvise.
2. Applicants must complete an additional 100-word essay answering "What jazz means in my life", along with a band director's recommendation letter.
3. Submit all submissions to Scholarship Committee, Al Downing Tampa Bay Jazz Association, P.O. Box 2240, St. Petersburg, FL 33731-2240 January 31st.

Scholarship Name: Anne Register Anderson Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Junior League of St. Petersburg

This scholarship, funded by the Junior League of St. Petersburg, is in memory of Anne Register Anderson and financially assists a senior attending a south county high school in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must be a resident of St. Petersburg
4. Applicant must have been or currently is in the foster care system.
5. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA

Scholarship Name: Bay Area Manufacturers Association Scholarship
Sponsor: Bay Area Manufacturers Association

This scholarship financially assists a senior in obtaining post-secondary education in manufacturing or STEM related studies.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in manufacturing, (i.e., engineering, customer service, manufacturing, information systems, computer science, machinist, electronics technician, drafter, graphic artist, welder, etc.)
 - a. Architectural/Engineering/Aeronautical
 - b. Computer Information Technology
 - c. Computer Technology
 - d. Drafter
 - e. Electronics Technician
 - f. Graphic Artist
 - g. Information Systems
 - h. Machinist
 - i. Manufacturing
 - j. Welder
4. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.

Scholarship Name: Beth Marshner Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: The Marshner Family

This scholarship, in memory of Beth Marshner, financially assists a senior that has completed at least Spanish IV and is seeking a degree from a four (4) year University.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must be seeking a 4 year degree.
4. Applicant must have completed Spanish IV.
5. Applicant must have 3.0 or higher GPA.
6. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service.
7. Preference applicants pursuing a career in foreign language education, international studies, or international relations

Scholarship Name: Bob Bentz Hurricane Soccer Scholarship
Sponsor: Palm Harbor University HS Hurricane Soccer Boosters, Inc.

This scholarship financially assists a senior who is rostered on the Varsity Soccer Team at Palm Harbor University High School.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Palm Harbor University High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior and be a current member of the team.
3. Applicant must have played Varsity Soccer at PHUHS for at least 2 years.
4. Qualifying applicants will be contacted to complete an essay answering "What has Hurricane Soccer meant to me and what is its impact on my future"

Scholarship Name: Bobby Quinn Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Quinn Family

This scholarship was created in memory of Bobby Quinn, a Pinellas County math teacher at Ponce De Leon Elementary and San Jose Elementary schools for 30 years. Mr. Quinn was also an avid athlete in ASA fast pitch and hockey.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (75+ hours).
5. Applicant must have demonstrated need for financial aid.
6. Applicant must have played sports in their senior year.
7. Household income under \$75,000;
8. Candidates that play softball or math majors; and
9. Commit to only Florida schools

Scholarship Name: Claire Y. Rives Scholarship
Sponsor: Community Foundation of Sarasota County

This scholarship, in partnership with the Community Foundation of Sarasota County, supports Pinellas County Public High School students.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.8 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must be on Free or Reduced Lunch.

Scholarship Name: Boca Ciega High School Class of '55 Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Boca Ciega High School Alumni

This scholarship financially assists a senior from Boca Ciega High School in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

5. Applicant must be a graduating student of Boca Ciega High School.
6. Applicant must be a high school senior.
7. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA
8. Applicant must demonstrate community and school service.
9. Applicant must demonstrate high ethical standards.

Scholarship Name: Christine Baker Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Friends and Family of Christine Baker

This scholarship is in memory and recognition of Christine Baker for her contribution to Boca Ciega High School vocal music department from 1953 to 1971.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Boca Ciega High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA
4. Applicant must participate in band, music, or chorus club.
5. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in music.

Scholarship Name: Civitan Challenge Scholarship
Sponsor: St. Petersburg Civitans Club

This scholarship will be awarded to Pinellas County public high school graduating senior enrolled in Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or 504 Plan. The applicant will demonstrate a desire to succeed through dedication to overcoming a barrier or disability exhibited by impairment in physical, learning, language or behavior that may impact day-to-day functioning.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have an Individualized Education Plan (IEP) or 504 Plan.

Scholarship Name: Clearwater Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Scholarship
Sponsor: Delta Sigma Theta Sorority – Clearwater Alumnae Chapter

This scholarship program provides funds to African American students who aspire to attend a college or university.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Bayside, Clearwater, Countryside, Dunedin, East Lake, Largo, Palm Harbor or Tarpon Springs High Schools.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.75 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must be African American.
5. Applicant must live north of Ulmerton Road
6. Applicant must have demonstrated community and school service (50+ hours).

Additional Requirements:

1. Student must submit an official transcript for grades 9-11 and first quarter of 12th.
2. Student must submit two (2) letters of recommendation. Letters may be from current teachers, counselor, school administrator, minister, or someone in the community who can comment on the student's character and community service.
3. Submit an additional essay on the following topic: "If you had the authority to change your school in a positive way, what specific changes would you make?" The essay must be typed, a minimum of two (2) pages including an introduction, body and conclusion. The essay will be assessed on clarity, development of your thoughts, grammar, and style. Please include your name at the top of the essay.
4. All materials must be mailed to Clearwater Alumnae Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., PO Box 8264, Clearwater, FL 33758-8264, Attention: Scholarship Chair Sarayl L. Detreville-Price January 31st. Any materials received after the deadline will not be eligible.

Scholarship Name: Clearwater High School Alumni Scholarship
Sponsor: Clearwater High School Alumni Assoc.

Sponsored by the Alumni Association, this scholarship financially assists a senior from Clearwater High School in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Clearwater High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA

Scholarship Name: Clearwater High School Class of '65 Alumni Scholarship
Sponsor: Clearwater High School Class of '65 Alumni

Sponsored by the Class of '65, this scholarship financially assists a senior from Clearwater High School in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Clearwater High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service, (50+ hours).

Scholarship Name: Clearwater High School Class of '68 Scholarship
Sponsor: Clearwater High School Class of '68 Alumni

Sponsored by the Class of '68, this scholarship financially assists a senior from Clearwater High School in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Clearwater High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.8 or higher GPA.
A student attending any Pinellas County Public High School who is the grandchild of a member of the Clearwater Class of '68 may also apply.

Scholarship Name: Clearwater Jazz Holiday Foundation's Scholarship
Sponsor: The Sherri Callahan Memorial & Jack Spalding Memorial

This scholarship, in memory of Sherri Callahan and Jack Spaulding, financially assists a senior who has a background and interest in music.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must display an interest in music.
4. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in music.
 - a. Arts – Jazz
 - b. Arts – Music
 - c. Education – Music
 - d. Music Education
5. Applicant must have a 2.75 or higher GPA.

Additional Criteria:

1. Submit an additional essay summarizing how music has played a role in your life and demonstrate a desire to pursue a career involving music. Explain how past experiences with music has shaped that decision.

Scholarship Name: Christine Baker Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: The Pirate Alumni Chorus

This scholarship is in memory and recognition of Christine Baker for her contribution to Boca Ciega High School vocal music department from 1953 to 1971.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student from Boca Ciega High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in music.
 - a. Arts – Music
 - b. Education – Music
 - c. Music Education
4. Applicant must have participated in Band/Music or Chorus Club.
5. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.

Scholarship Name: Cynda Mort Scholarship for Outstanding Journalist
Sponsor: Journeys in Journalism

This scholarship is in memory of Cynda Mort, founding coordinator of the Journeys in Journalism program at Melrose Elementary, John Hopkins Middle and Lakewood High School.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating senior of Lakewood High School's Center for Journalism and Multimedia Academy at Lakewood High School.
2. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in journalism, multimedia, communications, public relations, digital communications, radio and television or related fields.
3. Applicant must have participated with the school newspaper, yearbook, or digital Media platforms.

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicant must complete a short essay describing the impact the journalism program has had on his or her life and future plans. The essay should also include a discussion about what "quality journalism" does for the world.

Scholarship Name: Dan DiCicco Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Dan DiCicco Memorial Scholarship Fund

This scholarship, in memory of Dan DiCicco, a young sheriff and SWAT officer, financially assists a senior who is pursuing a career in law enforcement.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in law enforcement, criminology, or forensic science.
4. Applicants must have demonstrated school and community service (100+ hours).

Scholarship Name: David & Eugenia L. Berry – Friends of the Clearwater Library
Sponsor: The Berry Endowment Fund

This scholarship, in memory of David and Eugenia Berry, financially assists a senior in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service. (50+ hours)
5. Applicants must have volunteer or worked in a library.

Scholarship Name: Daughters of the American Revolution Scholarship
Sponsor: Daughters of the American Revolution Scholarship
St. Petersburg Chapter

In 2018, the St. Petersburg Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution celebrated its 10th anniversary. In honor of this milestone, the chapter established a scholarship for a student who has a parent or guardian that is either an active member or veteran of the US Military.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of from Boca Ciega, Dixie Hollins, Gibbs, Northeast, St. Petersburg High School or St. Petersburg Collegiate High School.
2. Applicant must be a graduating senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must be on Free or Reduced Lunch.
5. Applicant must be a dependent of an active duty member or a veteran of the US Military.

Additional Criteria:

1. Submit an additional 500-700 word essay summarizing on **one** of the following topics:
 - a. The Daughters of the American Revolution is a nonprofit organization whose members are dedicated to promoting **historic preservation, education, and patriotism** in communities across the nation. Which of these values is most important to you and how have you promoted it within your community?
 - b. What is the most important lesson that you have learned from growing up in a military family and what advice would you give to a child whose parent is being deployed for the first time.
 - c. What does patriotism mean to you? Please describe a time that you witnessed patriotism in action and share how this experience **influenced** your definition of patriotism.
 - d. Why do you think that studying genealogy is important? What have you learned about yourself through researching your own family history.

Scholarship Name: Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Scholarship
Sponsor: Delta Sigma Theta Sorority - St. Petersburg Chapter

This scholarship financially assists an African American senior from south Pinellas County High Schools in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Boca Ciega, Dixie Hollins, Gibbs, Lakewood, Northeast, Osceola Fundamental, Pinellas Park, St. Petersburg, or St. Petersburg Collegiate High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.9 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must be African American
5. Students must reside in Pinellas County and live south of Ulmerton Road
6. Applicant parents must not be a member of the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority.

Scholarship Name: Deviny Boese Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: The Deviny Boese Foundation

This scholarship, in memory of Deviny Boese, financially assists a senior who has participated in High School or All-Star Cheerleading.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have participated in Cheerleading during senior, high school, or All-Star Team.
4. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must complete an additional 500 to 750-word essay answering, "How I make a positive impact/influence on others around me".
2. Submit a letter of recommendation from the high school or All-Star team cheerleading coach.

Scholarship Name: Dorothy Bowes-Nee Scholarship
Sponsor: Family of Dorothy Bowes-Nee

This scholarship, in memory of Dorothy Bowes-Nee, financially assists a senior from Clearwater High School in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Clearwater High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must attend St. Petersburg College.
4. Applicant's household Income must not exceed \$75,000.

Scholarship Name: Doug Jamerson Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Pinellas Classroom Teachers Association

This scholarship, in memory of Doug Jamerson, financially assists seniors graduating from a Pinellas County Public High School that plan to pursue a career in public education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must be pursuing a career in public education.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ hours).

Scholarship Name: Dr. Robert Vassallo Scholarship
Sponsor: McIntyre Family Foundation

The Dr. Robert Vassallo Scholarship is sponsored by the McIntyre Family Foundation. The research and clinical interests of Robert Vassallo, M.D., focus on the mechanisms by which cigarette smoke and inflammation cause airway and parenchymal lung diseases. This scholarship supports a student at Richard O. Jacobson High School attending the Nursing program.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Richard O Jacobson High School
2. Applicant must be a high school senior
3. Applicant must be a participant in the Nursing program

Scholarship Name: Dr. J. Howard Hinesley Music & Art Education Scholarship
Sponsor: Pinellas Education Foundation

This scholarship, in honor of Dr. J. Howard Hinesley, financially assists a senior in obtaining post-secondary education in music or art education.

Contact: Pinellas Education Foundation
Grants and Scholarships Committee

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in music or art education.
4. Applicant must attend a Florida college or university.
5. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.

Scholarship Name: Dr. Jerry Runkle Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: The Runkle Family

This scholarship, in memory of Dr. Jerry Runkle, financially assists a senior in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in Mathematics, Engineering, Physics, or Philosophy.
4. Applicant must have a 3.5 or higher GPA.
5. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ hours).
6. Applicant must have been or currently is in the foster care system or a ward of the state.

Scholarship Name: Drew Factor Scholarship
Sponsor: The Factor Family

This scholarship is in memory of Drew Factor, who graduated from St. Petersburg High School in 1997 and died in 2003. Funds financially assist a senior from St. Petersburg High School IB or Honors program.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of St. Petersburg High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must be in IB or Honors program.
4. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA

Scholarship Name: East Lake High School SGA Rachel Murray Scholarship
Sponsor: East Lake High School

This scholarship is for graduating students from East Lake High School who have exhibited leadership as an officer in either a club or a student run organization.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of East Lake High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have exhibited leadership as an officer in either a club or a student-run organization
4. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
5. Applicant must have demonstrated school and school service (50+ Hours)

Scholarship Name: Emily Lester Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: The Lester Family

This scholarship, in memory of Emily Lester from St. Petersburg High School, financially assists a senior in obtaining post-secondary education at a four-year university.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of St. Petersburg High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ hours)
4. Applicant must display financial need.

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must complete an additional 500 word essay describing an obstacle they have overcome (not an anticipated obstacle), and how they have turned it into a positive in their life.

Scholarship Name: Florida Suncoast Chorus Music Scholarship
Sponsor: Florida Suncoast Chorus

The Florida Suncoast Chorus Music Scholarship, in memory of Frank Kemnetz, provides college scholarship assistance for a student intending to major in music, music education, or a field related to music. The scholarship was created to support music education in Pinellas County and assist high school students intending to pursue music in their college studies and future lives.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Gibbs High School
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must plan to major in music or music related degree
 - a. Arts-Jazz
 - b. Arts- Music
 - c. Arts- Vocal
 - d. Arts- Instrumental
 - e. Education- Music
 - f. Arts- Theatre
 - g. Education- Arts
 - h. Music Education
 - i. Art- Drama
4. Applicant must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher
5. Applicant must show involvement in a music-related club
 - a. Band/Music
 - b. Chorus
 - c. Thespian/Drama

Scholarship Name: Future Servant Leader Scholarship
Sponsor: The Family and Friends of Reuben C. Hepburn

Reuben Christopher Hepburn served Pinellas County Schools as a teacher (Lakewood), Assistant Principal (Northeast) and Principal (Dunedin and Joseph C. Gibbs) for almost 25 years before his untimely passing in 2020. In his words, Reuben possessed, "a strong desire to see all students succeed" and it was his calling to "play an active role to ensure the continual commitment to high student achievement..." Thus his ethos as 'Servant Leader'; a leader whose focus is on the success and well-being of the communities to which they belong.

In Reuben's memory, this scholarship aids high school seniors of African ancestry and propel them to also be Servant Leaders in their communities one day.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Northeast, Lakewood, Dunedin, or Gibbs High School
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must be African American
4. Applicant must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher
5. Applicant must display financial need

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must submit a letter of recommendation from a teacher or school administrator addressing their leadership in school or their community.

Scholarship Name: Gibbs Basketball Scholarship
Sponsor: Jay Dolan

This scholarship will help support the future success of graduates of Gibbs High School from the men's varsity basketball program.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Gibbs High School
2. Applicant must be a member of the men's varsity basketball team

Scholarship Name: Harry Danielson, Ed.D. Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: The Danielson Family

This scholarship, in memory of Harry Danielson, was created to help seniors interested in education, guidance counseling and/or psychology.

Criteria:

3. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
4. Applicant must be a high school senior.
5. Applicant must plan to major in psychology, counseling, education or human relations.
 - a. Education – Arts
 - b. Education – Elementary
 - c. Education – Math
 - d. Education - Music
 - e. Education – Other
 - f. Education – Secondary
 - g. Psychology
6. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.

Scholarship Name: Helen Ellis Culinary Arts Scholarship
Sponsor: The Ellis Foundation

This scholarship, in memory of Helen Ellis, financially assists a senior from Tarpon High School who will pursue a career in culinary arts.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Tarpon Springs High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in culinary arts/hospitality.
5. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ hours).
6. Scholarship may be renewable if conditional guidelines are met

Scholarship Name: Helen Ellis Memorial Academic Scholarship
Sponsor: The Ellis Foundation

This scholarship, in memory of Helen Ellis, financially assists a senior from Tarpon High School in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Tarpon Springs High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service throughout the four (4) years of high school.
5. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ hours).
6. Scholarship may be renewable if conditional guidelines are met.

Scholarship Name: The Minnreg Veterans Association Scholarship
Sponsor: The Minnreg Veterans Association

The Minnreg Veterans Association is the employee (active and retired) organization of Honeywell's Clearwater location. This scholarship financially assists a senior with an average GPA in obtaining a post-secondary education in a STEM related field.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a high school senior.
2. Applicant must be a US citizen or lawful permanent resident
3. Applicant must have a GPA of 3.5 or lower
4. Applicant must display financial need
5. Applicant must plan to study a STEM-related field
6. Preference will be given to applicants planning to attend a Florida school
7. Preference will be given to applicants that are related to a current or former Honeywell employee

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must submit a 200-500 word essay describing their interest in STEM and the career paths they are considering.

Scholarship Name: Ivy Prep Learning Center Scholarship
Sponsor: Ivy Prep Learning Center

This scholarship is awarded to a child of an Ivy Prep Learning Center. Applicant must have a strong work ethic, dedication, discipline, positive mental attitude, and demonstrate teamwork.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must demonstrate school and community service (100+ hours)
4. Applicant's parents must be employed with the Ivy Prep Learning Center
5. Applicant's parent must have been employed with Ivy Prep for the past four years.

Scholarship Name: James Gill Technical Education Scholarship
Sponsor: James Gill

This scholarship assists a senior from Jacobson Technical High School who plans to pursue a course of study compatible with what they studied at ROJTHS.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Jacobson Technical High School
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.

Scholarship Name: James White & Richard Mucciano Memorial
Sponsor: James White Endowment Fund

This scholarship is in memory of James White and Richard Mucciano, both fighter pilots who died while serving their country in Vietnam.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Northeast High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior
3. Applicant must have participated in clubs and extracurricular activities in high school.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ hours).
5. Applicant must have played a sport in their senior year.

Scholarship Name: The Jeanne Reynolds Performing Arts Scholarship for Young Leaders
Sponsor: Pinellas County Music Educators Association

This scholarship is in honor of Jeanne Reynolds, Pinellas County Schools Performing Arts Specialist for 23 years. Jeanne had a passion and talent for creating leaders in both students and educators alike. This scholarship will honor one high school senior who has demonstrated exceptional leadership in music in their school and/or community.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ hours).
4. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA
5. Applicant must plan to major in music.
6. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in music.

Scholarship Name: Jeffery D. Bouton Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Robert & Marjorie Bouton Estate

This scholarship, in memory of Jeffery D. Bouton, financially assists a senior from Seminole High School in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Seminole High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must be a member of the ROTC, Boy Scouts, or Girl Scouts.
4. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA
5. Applicant's household income must not exceed \$80,000.

Scholarship Name: Jennifer O'Hanlon Track Achievement Scholarship
Sponsor: The O'Hanlon Family

This scholarship was created to honor the memory of Jennifer O'Hanlon. She was an exceptional student, a talented athlete and a kind and loving individual.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of East Lake High School
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have participated on the Varsity Track team.
5. Applicant must have participated on the track team for a minimum of two (2) years.

Scholarship Name: Jimi Huffman Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: The Huffman Family

This scholarship is in memory of Jimi Huffman. It is for a Dunedin High School Varsity Baseball Team Member.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Dunedin High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have played varsity baseball.
4. Students must demonstrate school and community service (50+ hours).
5. Applicant must have a strong work ethic, dedication, discipline, positive mental attitude, and demonstrate team work.

Scholarship Name: John Allan Blank and John Blank Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: The Blank Family

This scholarship, in memory of John Allen Blank and John Blank, is awarded to a senior who is the child of an educator and shares an interest in the arts.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must be the child of a classroom educator.
4. Applicant must display an interest in the arts.
 - a. Arts
 - b. Music
 - c. Writing
5. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.

Scholarship Name: John Tasopolos Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: John Tasopolos Class of 1960 Foundation

This scholarship, in memory of John Tasopolos, financially assists a senior from St. Petersburg High School in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of St. Petersburg High School .
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have participated on the Varsity Track or other school athletic team.

Additional Requirement:

1. Please see Mrs. Miller in B201 at St. Pete High for additional application. This must be filled out before eligible candidate can be considered. Contact millerjes@pcsb.org with any questions.

Scholarship Name: JR O'Hanlon Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: The O'Hanlon Family

This scholarship was created to honor the memory of JR O'Hanlon. He was an avid fisherman a skilled boater, and loved spending time on the water.

Criteria:

1. Applicants must be a graduating student of East Lake High School.
2. Applicants must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have participated in extracurricular activities to include fishing and boating.

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must complete an additional 250 to 500 word essay describing "What fishing means to me?"

Scholarship Name: Junior League of Clearwater-Dunedin Leadership Scholarship
Sponsor: Junior League of Clearwater-Dunedin

This scholarship, funded by the Junior League of Clearwater-Dunedin, financially assists a senior attending a Pinellas County High School in obtaining a post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (25+ hours)
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have been or currently is in the foster care system or a ward of the state.
5. Applicant must be a resident of Clearwater, Dunedin, or Tarpon Springs

Scholarship Name: Kiwanis Club of Seminole – Eugene B. Mohny Scholarship
Sponsor: Kiwanis Club of Seminole

This scholarship financially assists a senior from Seminole High School in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

6. Applicant must be a graduating student of Seminole High School.
7. Applicant must be a high school senior.
8. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
9. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ hours).
10. Applicant must be seeking a 4 year degree
11. Applicant must have participated in the Key Club.
12. Applicant must have volunteered with the Kiwanis Club of Seminole.
13. Student's household income will be considered in this award.

Scholarship Name: Kiwanis Club-Marjorie Campbell Johnson Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Kiwanis Club of Seminole

This scholarship, in memory of Marjorie Campbell Johnson, financially assists a senior from Seminole High School in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Seminole High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ hours)
5. Applicant must be seeking a 4 year degree.
6. Applicant must have volunteered with the Kiwanis Club of Seminole.

Scholarship Name: Kiwanis Club of Seminole - Key Club Scholarship
Sponsor: Kiwanis Club of Seminole Foundation

This scholarship financially assists a senior from Seminole High School who is a member in the Key Club.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Seminole High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must be a member of Key Club.
5. Applicant must have volunteered with the Kiwanis Club of Seminole.
6. Student's household income will be considered in this award.

Scholarship Name: Kiwanis Club of Seminole - Lorraine Grant Scholarship

Sponsor: Kiwanis Club of Seminole

This scholarship, honoring Lorraine Grant, financially assists a senior from Richard O. Jacobson Technical High School that is interested in pursuing technical education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a high school senior.
2. Applicant must be a graduating senior at Richard O. Jacobson Technical High School of Seminole.
3. Applicant must be studying a technical education curriculum.
4. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.

Scholarship Name: Kiwanis Club of Seminole - Matt Fisher Scholarship

Sponsor: Kiwanis Club of Seminole

This scholarship, in memory of Matt Fisher, financially assists a senior from Richard O. Jacobson Technical High School of Seminole that plans to pursue technical education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a high school senior.
2. Applicant must be a graduating student at Richard O. Jacobson Technical High School of Seminole
3. Applicant must be studying a technical education curriculum
4. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA

Scholarship Name: Korean War Veterans Suncoast Chapter 14 Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Korean War Veterans Suncoast Chapter 14

This scholarship is in memory of the honorable services of the men and women who served in the Korean War of 1950 to 1953. The scholarship will be awarded to a high school senior seeking post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Demonstrated school and community service (25+ hours).
4. Minimum of GPA of 3.0

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must complete an additional 500-1,000 word essay (double-spaced) on the Korean War. Topics may include: the causes, United Nations involvement, prisoners of war and killed in action, missing in action and wounded in action soldiers.

Scholarship Name: L. Bary Santy Memorial – Public Works Academy
Sponsor: Public Works Academy

The L. Bary Santy Scholarship honors one of the founding fathers of the nation's first Public Works Academy established in 1988. Scholarships are awarded to seniors who plan a career in a public works field.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in public works-related field, i.e., Civil Engineering, Environmental Science, Water Resources Engineering, Transportation Engineering, Sustainability Technology, Construction/Building Technology, , or Public Administration as examples
5. Applicant must demonstrate:
 - a. Strong academic achievement in the areas of math and science
 - b. Financial need
 - c. Community service

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must complete an additional 200-500 word essay answering, "Reflect on how public works professionals are essential in keeping communities running smoothly and safe. How do you see your future in public works?"

Scholarship Name: Largo Lions Foundation Scholarship
Sponsor: Largo Lions Club

This scholarship is for graduating seniors who reside in Largo and have exhibited a high level of volunteerism in school and/or the community.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must be a resident of Largo.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ Hours).
5. Applicant must demonstrate financial need.
6. 3 Awards - \$ 1,000 each

Scholarship Name: Libby Kay Passionate Scholar Award
Sponsor: The Kay Family

This scholarship, in memory of Libby Kay, financially assists a senior in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (75+ hours).
4. Applicant must be pursuing a career which has a direct impact on helping to improve the lives of fellow human beings.
5. Applicant must have a 3.5 or higher GPA.
6. Applicant must be seeking a 4-year degree.
7. Applicant must attend a Florida Public University
8. Students entering the health services field must plan to select a specialty requiring education beyond a bachelor's degree.

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must complete an additional essay with the topic "My passion for a profession and how that profession helps others".

Scholarship Name: Lydia Marie "Ree" Cono Kennedy Scholarship
Sponsor: Mr. Gerald Kennedy

This scholarship, in memory of Lydia Marie "Ree" Cono Kennedy, financially assists in a Dunedin High School female senior in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student from Dunedin High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must be a female student.
5. Applicant must attend a Florida College or University.
6. Applicant must be pursuing a career in education or the medical field.

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must complete an additional essay with the topic "Describe why you need this scholarship and what is your goal?"

Scholarship Name: Lynch Family Legacy Scholarship
Sponsor: John Lynch Foundation

This scholarship financially assists a senior who is a current member on a varsity team.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.5 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (75+ Hours).
5. Applicant must have played a sport in their senior year.
6. Applicant must be intending to attend a 4 Year College/University.

Scholarship Name: Mark Huntington Pruitt Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Mark Huntington Pruitt Estate

This scholarship in memory of Mark Huntington Pruitt, financially assists a senior with an outstanding record of academic achievement from St. Petersburg High School.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of St. Petersburg High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.5 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must be in the top 20% of the graduating class.
5. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ hours).
6. Demonstrated need for financial assistance

Scholarship Name: Mike June Memorial Scholarship
**Sponsor: Palm Harbor University High School
Hurricane Football Boosters**

This scholarship, in memory of Coach Mike June, financially assists Palm Harbor University High School seniors who have been a member of the varsity football team for two years.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Palm Harbor University High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior
3. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have been member of the Varsity Football team for a minimum of 2 years.
5. Applicant must be active in football fundraising.
6. Applicant must be a member in good "citizenship" standing with the program.
7. Applicants parents must be active members of the Palm Harbor University High School Football Booster Club in good standing in terms of volunteering and dues

Additional Requirement

1. Applicants must complete a 1-page additional essay answering, "What Palm Harbor Football has meant to me".

Scholarship Name: Matthew Lonardo Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Lonardo Family

This scholarship, in memory of Matthew Lonardo, financially assists a senior from Seminole High School who is on the varsity baseball team.

Criteria:

1. Applicants must be a graduating student of Seminole High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have played Varsity Baseball.

Scholarship Name: Melissa (Missy) Ryerson Shorey Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Marc Himelhoch and Lynn & Dan Shorey

This scholarship, in memory of Missy Ryerson Shorey and financially assists a senior in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Graduating students from any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Preference will be given to students pursuing a 4-year degree in Political Science, Business, Marketing and Public Relations, or Communications.
3. Minimum GPA of 3.5 (preferably weighted).
4. Applicant must be a female.
5. Must demonstrate conservative values through membership/participation in conservative organizations, internships, faith-based organizations, or similar.
6. Applicant must have demonstrated leadership through clubs, holding elected class or student government office, community projects, etc.
7. Preference will be given to students with membership/leadership in Teenage Republican Club (TARS) or any student who founds a local chapter of TARS or similar conservative group in their high school.

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must complete an additional essay answering, "Why America needs more female conservative leaders and how I will commit to supporting future female conservatives in business and/or government?"

Scholarship Name: Monica Everton Scholarship
Sponsor: Alan Everton and Paula Pearson

This scholarship, in memory of Monica Everton, financially assists a senior from East Lake High School in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of East Lake High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.5 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (75+ hours).
5. Applicant must be involved in high school athletics
6. Applicant must be a female.
7. Applicant's household income must not exceed \$100,000.

Scholarship Name: MOWW Patriotic Award
Sponsor: Military Order of the World Wars Clearwater Chapter

The Patriotic Award was established to be awarded to the high school senior that best exemplifies Americanism. Candidates for this award should display, through both actions and words, love of this country; respect for its institutions - in particular, the Constitution and Amendments; an understanding of America's capitalist and democratic society; respect for law and order; an appreciation of America's unique history and an appreciation of her role in world affairs. Furthermore, the student must have demonstrated a willingness to contribute to the welfare of others in a meaningful and measurable manner. The funds may be renewable for the student that is seriously committed to the curriculum of either a four year undergraduate program or a Technical Program that leads to a licensed trade.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.8 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must be eligible for free or reduced lunch.
5. Applicants must intend to pursue a career that enables them to serve others.

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must submit a letter of recommendation from either a teacher or an administrator. They should address the leadership and citizenship qualities of the applicant.
2. Applicants must submit a 500 word essay addressing why they should receive the scholarship.
3. Scholarship finalists may be interviewed by sponsor.

Submit essay and letter of recommendation by email to Tomroberts0715@gmail.com with the subject line "MOWW Patriotic Award" by January 31st.

Scholarship Name: NOPE Pinellas (Narcotics Overdose Prevention & Education)
Sponsor: NOPE Pinellas Task Force

The organization's mission is to diminish the frequency and impact of overdose death through community education, family support, and purposeful advocacy in Pinellas County. This scholarship assists a senior of any Pinellas County high school to obtain post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.5 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ Hours).

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicant must complete an additional 750-word essay or create a 3-5 minute video on the topic: "As a teenager, if you become an addict, what are the potential impacts to your long term future goals." Essay must be typed, written in your own words (no plagiarism), include contemporary research about the topic and cite all references.
2. Provide a letter of reference.
3. Provide an official high school transcript.
4. Provide documentation of community service hours and it must be signed by a school counselor or teacher.

Scholarship Name: Norman Stevenson Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Terry Hatcher

This scholarship is created in memory of Mr. Norman Stevenson a 1969 graduate of Gibbs High School and a member of the basketball team. The scholarship is to be used to financially assist a rostered High School senior on the varsity Basketball team. Student must show financial need.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating senior of Gibbs High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must be a member of the Varsity Basketball team.
4. Applicant must be on Free and Reduced Lunch.

Scholarship Name: Osceola High School PTSA Scholarship
Sponsor: Osceola High School PTSA

This scholarship financially assists a senior from Osceola High School in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Osceola Fundamental High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant or immediate family member must be a current member of the PTSA at Osceola Fundamental High School
5. Applicant must demonstrate need for financial assistance

Scholarship Name: Palm Harbor University Cheerleading Booster Club Scholarship
Sponsor: Palm Harbor University Cheerleading Booster Club

This scholarship financially assists a senior from Palm Harbor University High School who is a cheerleader and whose parent participates with the Cheerleader Booster Club

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Palm Harbor University High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have participated on the Varsity Cheerleading Team in their senior year.
4. Applicant must have an immediate family member who is a member of the cheerleading booster club.
5. Applicant must have a 2.0 or higher GPA.

Additional Requirements:

1. Applicants must complete an additional 500-1,000 word essay describing, "What it means to be a Palm Harbor University High School Cheerleader."
2. Applicants must submit two (2) teacher recommendations

Scholarship Name: Paul A. Pollak Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: The Pollak Family

This scholarship is to honor the memory of Paul A. Pollak, an exceptional teacher at St. Petersburg High School. It financially assists a senior from St. Petersburg High School who is pursuing a degree in education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of St. Petersburg High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in education.
 - a. Education - Arts
 - b. Education – Elementary
 - c. Education – Math
 - d. Education – Music
 - e. Education – Other
 - f. Education – Secondary Education

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must complete an additional essay, “Why I am choosing a career in education.”

Scholarship Name: Peggy Peterman Book Scholarship
Sponsor: Journeys in Journalism

This scholarship supports Lakewood High students in yearbook or newspaper that want to pursue a career in Journalism or a related field.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Lakewood High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.75 GPA or higher.
4. Applicant must participate in yearbook or newspaper.
5. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in journalism, public relations, communications, or related field.
6. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (10+ Hours)

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must complete an additional 350-word essay, “Reflect on a time when you had to report on a news story but didn't have all the necessary information about it beforehand. What did you do?”

Scholarship Name: Phi Beta Kappa Alumni
Sponsor: Phi Beta Kappa Alumni Association of Tampa Bay

This scholarship is to honor a student with an outstanding record of academic achievement who plans to pursue a liberal arts education.

Criteria:

2. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
3. Applicant must be a high school senior.
4. Applicant must have a 3.8 GPA or higher.
5. Applicant must be seeking a four (4) year degree
6. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ Hours)
7. Applicant must plan to major in the liberal arts or sciences. (This would include natural and behavioral sciences, the humanities, and other traditional majors. Typical majors that would be **excluded** include applied fields such as engineering, nursing, and teaching).

Scholarship Name: Pinellas Alliance of Black School Educators Scholarship
Sponsor: Pinellas Alliance of Black School Educators

The Pinellas Alliance of Black School Educators' mission is to improve the academic success of Pinellas County students of African descent. This scholarship was created to support the financial needs of students within Pinellas County attending a two or four year-college, university, or technical school, ultimately leading to a career in education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 GPA.
4. Applicant must be African American.
5. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in Education.

Scholarship Name: Pinellas Association of School Administrators
Sponsor: Pinellas Administrator Association

This scholarship financially assists a senior obtain post-secondary education. Parents must be members of the Pinellas Association of School Administrators

Criteria:

1. Applicant must have a parent who is a member of the Pinellas Association of School Administrators
2. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
3. Applicant must be a high school senior.
4. Applicant must have a 2.5 GPA.

Scholarship Name: Pinellas Park Art Society Visual Arts Scholarship
Sponsor: Pinellas Park Art Society

In keeping with the mission of the society to encourage and financially support the artistic endeavors of young people, this scholarship is for a student who plans to pursue the study of visual arts.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must plan to pursue the study of visual arts.
 - a. Arts – Film Production
 - b. Arts – Photography
 - c. Education – Arts
 - d. Graphic Arts
 - e. Visual Arts

Additional Requirement:

1. Submit an additional essay of 500 words about your career goals, a description of your college plans and any other information that would be helpful to us as we choose our finalists.
2. Include a portfolio of photographed letter-size copies of five pieces of your original artwork. Note on each page your name, the title of the artwork, the medium and the size of the original piece. Please send to Attn: Bill Moore, 5851 Park Boulevard North, Pinellas Park, FL 33781

Scholarship Name: Pinellas Public Defender's Office Scholarship
Sponsor: Public Defender's Office – 6th Circuit

This scholarship financially assists a senior whose family member works for the Public Defender's Office.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a family member who is employed by the Public Defender's Office, Sixth Judicial Circuit of Florida. Please provide name.

Additional Requirement:

1. You have indicated that you have a family member who is employed by the Public Defender's Office, Sixth Judicial Circuit of Florida. Please provide the name of the relative.

Scholarship Name: Pinellas Promise Music Education Scholarship
Sponsor: Pinellas County Music Educators' Association

This scholarship is awarded to a senior who is pursuing a career in music education

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in music.
5. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ Hours).
6. Applicant must have demonstrated need for financial assistance.

Scholarship Name: Police and Kids Foundation Scholarship
Sponsor: Police and Kids Foundation

This scholarship financially assists a senior who is enrolled in the Criminal Justice or First Responders program at Pinellas Park High School.

Criteria:

1. Graduating students from Pinellas Park High School – Criminal Justice Academy or First Responders: National Guard Center for Emergency Management
2. Minimum GPA of 2.5
3. Must attend a Florida college or university
4. Applicants may not be related by blood or marriage to any current or former Pinellas Park Police employee

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must complete an additional 250-word essay describing their opinion regarding public service and volunteerism.

Scholarship Name: Professional Association of Visual Artists Scholarship
Sponsor: Professional Association of Visual Artists

This scholarship financially assists a senior of any Pinellas County Public High School who is pursuing a university/college major in visual arts.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must plan to pursue a degree in visual arts.
5. Applicant must demonstrate financial need.

Additional Requirement:

4. Applicants must complete an additional essay listing achievements, involvement in visual arts, and future plans regarding post-secondary education and career goals.
5. Applicants must complete a portfolio of six (6) jpg images with descriptions of each submitted work.
6. Information regarding submission of art work images and essays will be found at <https://pava-artists.org/college-scholarship-application>

Scholarship Name: Public Service Education Foundation of Pinellas Park Scholarship
Sponsor: Public Service Education Foundation

This scholarship financially assists a senior graduating from Pinellas Park High School in obtaining post-secondary education in public service.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating resident of the City of Pinellas Park or attend a high school within the City of Pinellas Park and must be pursuing a career in public service at the post high school level.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in Public Service – Law Enforcement, First Responders, Engineering, Human Resources, Human Relations, Criminal Justice, Public Works, Public Administration, or Public Affairs.
5. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (20+ Hours).
6. Applicant must have participated in extracurricular activities, clubs, and or sports in high school.

Scholarship Name: Reuben C. Hepburn Scholarship
Sponsor: MB Hepburn

Reuben Christopher Hepburn was an educator for Pinellas County over 25 years. He served as a teacher at (Lakewood High School), Assistant Principal (Northeast High) and Principal (Dunedin and Joseph C. Gibbs). He had a great heart and passion for education and students. Reuben had a true desire to not only serve his community, but make an impact on every life he encountered.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Northeast, Dunedin, Lakewood, or Gibbs High School
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a GPA of 2.0 or higher
4. Applicant must display financial need
5. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in one of the following fields:
 - a. Education
 - b. Theatre
 - c. Business

Scholarship Name: Richard Allen Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: The Richard Allen Endowment Fund

This scholarship, in memory of Richard Allen, financially assists a senior from Pinellas Park High School in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Pinellas Park High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have participated in art, music, or theatre/drama classes
4. Applicant must have a 2.6 or higher GPA
5. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ hours)

Scholarship Name: Richard O. Jacobson Culinary Arts Scholarship
Sponsor: Richard O. Jacobson Endowment Fund

This scholarship, in memory of Richard O. Jacobson, is awarded to students graduating from Tarpon Springs High School and have actively participated in the Jacobson Culinary Arts Program.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Tarpon Springs High School Culinary Arts Program.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have completed a minimum of two (2) semesters of culinary or hospitality courses.
5. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in culinary arts or a hospitality program.

Scholarship Name: Robert J. Godsey Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Pola Godsey

This scholarship, in memory of Robert J. Godsey, financially assists a graduating senior from Enterprise High School in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Enterprise High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (20+ hours)
5. Applicant's household income must not exceed \$75,000.00.

Additional Requirements:

1. Applicants must complete an additional 100 word essay explaining how they plan to make our world a better place after they graduate.
2. Submit essay to greg.kahn@enterprisehs.org by January 31st.

Scholarship Name: Richard Jones Memorial Scholarship
Sponsor: Boca Ciega High School Alumni

This scholarship is in memory of Richard Jones who was the first principal at Boca Ciega High School.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Boca Ciega High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in Education.
4. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.

Scholarship Name: Rosemary Caldwell Collins Countryside High School Performing Arts Scholarship
Sponsor: Friends and Classmates of Rosemary Caldwell Collins

This scholarship is in memory of music educator, Rosemary Caldwell Collins, and supports a Countryside High student who will pursue a career in music or theatre education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of from Countryside High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must participate in extracurricular activities related to music or theatre.
 - a. Band
 - b. Chorus
 - c. Theatre
5. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in music or theatre education.
 - a. Education - Music
 - b. Education - Theatre

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must submit a letter of recommendation from their theatre, chorus, or band director that addresses the applicant's commitment and leadership in that program.

Scholarship Name: Rotary Club of Dunedin Scholarship
Sponsor: Rotary Club of Dunedin

This scholarship provides opportunities to a Dunedin High School student or resident of Dunedin who will further the Rotary ideal of "Service above Self".

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating senior who lives within the City of Dunedin.
2. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
3. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community services (100+ hours).
4. Applicant must participate in the Interact Club.
5. Preference given to students attending a Florida college or university

Scholarship Name: Rotary Club of Indian Rocks Beach - John J. Todia, III Arts
Sponsor: Indian Rocks Beach Rotary Foundation, Inc.

This scholarship, in memory of John J. Todia, III, financially assists a senior from Largo, Osceola, or Seminole High School who is majoring in art, music, or the performing arts.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Largo, Osceola Fundamental, or Seminole High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must plan to major in the arts.
4. Applicant must participate in extracurricular activities related to the arts.
 - a. Arts – Cinematography
 - b. Arts – Dance
 - c. Arts – Drama
 - d. Arts – Film Production
 - e. Arts – Instrumental
 - f. Arts – Music
 - g. Arts – Photography
 - h. Arts – Theatre
 - i. Arts – Vocal
 - j. Arts – Visual
5. Applicants must have demonstrated school and community services (50+ hours).

Additional Requirement:

2. Finalists may be interviewed by the sponsor and/or requested to provide a sample of artistic works

Scholarship Name: Rotary Club of Largo Scholarship
Sponsor: Rotary Club of Largo

This scholarship financially assists a senior from Largo High School who is involved in school activities and community volunteer service.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Largo High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ hours),
4. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA.

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants are required to complete an additional 200-500 word essay describing “What the Rotary 4-Way Test means to you”.

Scholarship Name: Rotary Club of Seminole Academic Scholarship
Sponsor: Rotary Club of Seminole

This scholarship is to assist students in need who are also academically proficient to further the Rotary Club of Seminole’s mission of giving back to the community.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Seminole High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.5 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must participate in extra-curricular activities throughout high school.
5. Applicant must be involved in the community.
6. Applicant must reside in Seminole.

Scholarship Name: Rotary Club of Seminole Lake-Dudley Hastings Scholarship
Sponsor: Rotary Club of Seminole Lake

This scholarship is in memory of Dudley Hastings, a long-time member of the Rotary Club who volunteered hundreds of hours with the students at the Osceola High School Interact Club.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Osceola Fundamental High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (75+ hours).
5. Applicant must be a member of the Interact Club

Scholarship Name: Rotary Club of Seminole Lake - Evan Huffman Memorial
Sponsor: Rotary Club of Seminole Lake

This scholarship is in memory of Evan Huffman, a former member's son who was a Seminole High School student.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Seminole High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (75+ hours).

Scholarship Name: Rotary Club of Seminole Lake - Argel Jordan Scholarship
Sponsor: Rotary Club of Seminole Lake

This scholarship is in memory of a club member that was a Pinellas County principal. The senior student from Osceola High School must be pursuing a career in education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Osceola Fundamental High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (75+ hours).
5. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in Education.
 - a. Education Arts
 - b. Education Elementary
 - c. Education Math
 - d. Education Music
 - e. Education Other
 - f. Education Secondary

Scholarship Name: Rotary Club of Seminole Lake Scholarship
Sponsor: Rotary Club of Seminole Lake

This scholarship financially assists a senior from Osceola High School in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Osceola Fundamental High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (75+ hours).

Scholarship Name: Rotary Club of Tarpon Springs Scholarship
Sponsor: Rotary Club of Tarpon Springs

This scholarship provides a scholarship for a student graduating from Tarpon Springs High School.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Tarpon Springs High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ hours).
4. Applicant must have participated in school clubs & extracurricular activities.

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must complete an additional brief essay, 100-200 words, relating what you know about the Rotary and its' impact on communities.

Scholarship Name: Ryan Wells Foundation Scholarship
Sponsor: Ryan Wells Foundation

The Ryan Wells Foundation Scholarship is for students attending a post-secondary institution to attain a certification, associates or bachelors' degree in culinary arts and/or hospitality related field. These areas must be the main field of study. Minors in these fields are not eligible.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a high school senior graduating from Bayside, Dixie Hollins, Lealman Innovation Academy, Northeast, Osceola Fundamental, or Tarpon Springs. If at another Pinellas County High School they must be dually enrolled at Pinellas Technical College for culinary arts or baking and pastry.
2. Applicant must have completed two (2) years of culinary or hospitality courses or one (1) year of dual-enrollment at Pinellas Technical College for culinary arts and/or baking and pastry by the time of graduation.
3. Applicant must have a minimum GPA of 2.5
4. Applicant must be pursuing a certification, associates or bachelor's degree in a culinary art or hospitality related field. Minors in these fields are not eligible.

Additional Requirements:

1. Applicants must complete an additional 300-word essay on their future plans including what post-secondary institution they wish to attend, degree (s) sought after, and their career plans in the industry. Include at the top of the page: name, address, phone, and email.
2. Provide 1 to 2 letters of recommendations from a non-culinary teacher, employer, or another adult familiar with your culinary and/or hospitality skills. Letters from culinary teachers and immediate family members will not be accepted
3. Applicants who meet the criteria and have completed their additional requirements will be granted a required interview for further consideration.
4. Applicant must use scholarship funds to enroll in any post-secondary institution for culinary, baking and pastry and/or hospitality related program within 1 year of high school graduation.

Scholarship Name: Safety Harbor Chamber of Commerce
Sponsor: Safety Harbor Chamber of Commerce

This scholarship financially assists a senior who resides in Safety Harbor in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Countryside High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must be a resident of Safety Harbor,
5. Demonstrated school and community service, (40+ hours).

Scholarship Name: Safety Harbor Chamber of Commerce Entrepreneurial Scholarship
Sponsor: Safety Harbor Chamber of Commerce

This scholarship financially assists a senior who resides in Safety Harbor in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Countryside High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must be a resident of Safety Harbor,
5. Demonstrated school and community service, (40+ hours).

Additional Requirements:

1. Must submit at least a 200 word essay displaying their entrepreneurial spirit.

Scholarship Name: SME Technical Trades Scholarship
Sponsor: Think Big for Kids

This scholarship was established to provide students interested in technical trades a full scholarship to receive the education and training needed to start a career in technical trade roles, such as electrical, masonry, carpentry, power plant services and many more industry trades

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a current or former member of the Boys & Girls Clubs of America.
2. Applicant must plan to seek a degree or certification from a Vocational or Technical College in Pinellas or Hillsborough County.
3. Applicant's household income must not exceed \$75,000.

Additional Requirements:

1. The scholarship donor will contact finalists for interviews for their final selection.

Scholarship Name: Stephen B. Kazaras Scholarship
Sponsor: The Kazaras Family

This scholarship, in memory of Stephen B. Kazaras, financially assists a senior from Tarpon Springs High School who is of Greek descent.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Tarpon Springs High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must be of Greek Descent.
5. Applicant must attend a Florida College or University.

Scholarship Name: Suncoast Credit Union Scholar
Sponsor: Suncoast Credit Union Foundation

This scholarship financially assists a senior in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must be on free or reduced lunch
4. Applicant must be planning to attend a Florida college, university or technical school
5. Applicants who are Directors, employees, or family members of Directors or employees of Suncoast Credit Union, Members Title Company, Members Insurance Services, Members Trust Company or Suncoast Realty Solutions LLC are not eligible to apply.

Scholarship Name: Suncoast Jazz Society Scholarship
Sponsor: Suncoast Jazz Society

This scholarship was created to keep Jazz alive, especially Dixieland Style.

Criteria:

6. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
7. Applicant must be a high school senior.
8. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in music.
9. Applicant must have demonstrated musical proficiency with a strong interest in furthering their studies in classic jazz music and must be a music major.

Additional Requirements:

1. A recommendation letter from a Band Director, Music Teacher or other sponsor familiar with applicant's character and seriousness of classic jazz is required.

Scholarship Name: Sunrise Rotary Scholarship – David Stout
Sponsor: Sunrise Rotary Club

This scholarship, in memory of David Stout, financially assists a senior in obtaining post-secondary education through Pinellas Technical College or other approved vocational program.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must plan to seek a degree or certification from a Vocational/Technical College or be dually enrolled at PTC or other technical school.
4. Preference to dually enrolled students.
5. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA.

Scholarship Name: Suncoast Credit Union Scholarship
Sponsor: Suncoast Credit Union

This scholarship financially assists a senior in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must be planning to attend a Florida College or University.
4. Applicant must be on free or reduced lunch.
5. Applicant's household income must not exceed \$40,000.

Scholarship Name: Suncoast Tiger Bay Club Dorothy Walker Ruggles Democracy
Sponsor: Suncoast Tiger Bay Club

This scholarship, in memory of Dorothy Walker Ruggles, financially assists a senior in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have demonstrated leadership in public affairs through extracurricular activities.
5. Applicant's household income must not exceed \$60,000.

Additional Requirement:

1. Applicants must complete an additional 200-500 word essay with the topic: "My role in a changing America – How I see my future as a participant in American Democracy."

Scholarship Name: Tampa Bay Film Society Film/Television/Digital Scholarship
Sponsor: Tampa Bay Film Society

This scholarship was established to financially assist a senior in furthering their studies in the Film/Television/Digital industry.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must plan to pursue a career in one of the following:
 - a. Arts – Cinematography
 - b. Arts – Film Production
 - c. Arts - Visual Arts
 - d. Radio and Television
 - e. Visual Arts
4. Applicant must be on Free or Reduced Lunch.

Scholarship Name: Think Big Expect More Scholarship
Sponsor: Think Big For Kids

This scholarship will provide support for students who have been accepted into a program at a university, college, or trade school. The Think Big Expect More Scholarship opportunity offers students financial support of up to \$5,000 to work towards completing their degree at a school of their choice. The Think Big Expect More Scholarship is open to all current and former Boys & Girls Clubs members who are high school seniors graduating in May 2021. We hope to encourage students to think big and expect more by pursuing education and training to meet their career goals and will award this scholarship to a student that demonstrates the core values of integrity, determination and passion.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must be a current or former member of the Boys and Girls Club of America.
4. Applicant must be on Free or Reduced Lunch.

Additional Requirements:

1. Applicants must complete an additional essay (max 750 words) discussing what major(s) are you interested in pursuing, why are you interested in pursuing that major(s) in college, and what are your career goals post college graduation? Submit essay by email to jaclyn.mccormick@thinkbigforkids.org with subject line "Think Big Expect More Essay" by January 31, 2021.
2. Scholarship finalists will be interviewed by the sponsor.

Scholarship Name: Tom C. Harris Scholarship
Sponsor: The Harris Family

This scholarship, in memory of Tom C. Harris, a 1927 graduate of St. Petersburg High School and longtime editor of the St. Petersburg Times financially assists a senior who has excelled in a foreign language.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of St. Petersburg High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.
4. Applicant must have completed 3rd year or higher of a foreign language.
5. Applicant must be seeking a 4-year degree.
6. Applicant must have demonstrated participation in school and community service
7. Applicant must have ethical standards.

Scholarship Name: Tom Masterson Memorial Scholarship for Kindness
Sponsor: The Masterson Family

The Tom Masterson Memorial Scholarship for Kindness was created in memory of Thomas Dennis Masterson. Tom was a native Floridian, born and raised in St. Petersburg. He graduated from Boca Ciega High School in 1968 where he met his wife of 46 years, Dennie, a 1970 graduate of Bogie. Their three children, Courtney, Colby, and Kyle Masterson, were also alumni of Bogie, graduating in 1996, 2000, and 2003. Tom went on to graduate from the University of South Florida and South Texas College of Law. He practiced law in St. Petersburg for 44 years and was active in the community throughout his adult life. Tom was also a lifelong athlete and even served as the 1988 United States Judo Olympic Team Manager in Seoul, Korea. Whether in the courtroom or on the Judo mat, Tom had an incredibly strong work ethic which always included modesty, honesty, integrity, and respect for all. Both his professional career and Judo career were very important, but what truly filled Tom's heart was family, friendships, and laughter. He believed that kindness was contagious and the ultimate key to connecting with others. His sense of humor was special and making people laugh was one of his best qualities. Tom passed away peacefully on July 14, 2019 at the age of 69 after a 3 year courageous battle with Pancreatic Cancer.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of Boca Ciega High School
2. Applicant must be a high school senior
3. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA
4. Applicant must be on Free or Reduced Lunch

Additional Requirements:

1. Education is incredibly important to the success of your future profession. A strong work ethic, excellent study habits, and the will to do what it takes will bring you far in the next chapters of your education and career. However, our hope is that kindness will always remain your top priority in all aspects of life. People do not usually remember the number of degrees you earned or the amount of money that sits in your bank account, yet they will remember that you were a kind person. They will remember that you added joy to their life, even if it was only for a moment. For your essay, **describe a time in your life where you witnessed kindness that touched your heart and became a memory that will always stay with you. This could be a story about a person being kind to you or about the way it made you feel when you showed kindness towards someone else. How will this shape your future in the way you spread kindness into the world while also staying focused on a successful career?** Remember, Tom loved to laugh, so feel free to add a touch of humor to your story.
2. Please submit a **signed letter of recommendation** from an individual who has played a special role in your education. We realize that there are different learning opportunities throughout life, so we will gladly accept a letter written by a teacher, administrator, guidance counselor, coach, employer, and so forth. Just be sure that this individual is aware that this scholarship has a special focus on kindness.

Scholarship Name: Upper Tampa Bay Chamber Education Foundation
Sponsor: Upper Tampa Bay Chamber

This scholarship financially assists a student from East Lake High School or Countryside High School in obtaining post-secondary education. The Upper Tampa Bay Education Foundation (UTBEF) has a simple mission: To enhance the educational and cultural opportunities available to the youth of the Upper Tampa Bay area. We strive to make our community a better place by securing donations to bring opportunities to students in need through school mini-grants and student scholarships.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of East Lake or Countryside High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA
4. Applicant must attend a Florida college, university, or technical school.
5. Applicant must have demonstrated school and community service (50+ hours)
6. Applicant must be on free or reduced lunch.

Scholarship Name: Violet Milne McIntyre Scholarship
Sponsor: McIntyre Family Foundation

This scholarship, in honor of Violet Milne McIntyre, financially assists a senior in obtaining post-secondary education.

Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a graduating student of any Pinellas County Public High School.
2. Applicant must be a high school senior.
3. Applicant must display a passion for writing/journalism.
4. Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher GPA.
5. Applicant must be on free or reduced lunch.