Scholarships for Students with Disabilities

This is a listing of scholarships for students with various disabilities that have been offered in the past. To determine if the scholarship is still available, when it will be available, and the deadline, please visit the websites listed.

Allegra Ford Thomas Scholarship- $2500

To be eligible for the Allegra Ford Thomas Scholarship, an applicant must:

- Be a graduating high school senior who will be attending a two-year community college, a vocational/technical training program, or specialized program for students with LD and/or ADHD in the fall.
- Submit current financial information
- Provide most current documentation of an identified learning disability and/or ADHD (e.g., psycho-educational report, neuropsychological evaluation, IEP or 504 plan) and has utilized services, supports and/or accommodations.
  - Please note: LD and ADHD can co-occur with other issues such as speech/language, hearing and vision, and autism spectrum disorders; to be eligible candidates must provide documentation of a specific LD and/or ADHD.
- Be a United States citizen

https://www.ncld.org/scholarships-and-awards/

Ann Ford Scholarship -$2500/year for over four years

To be eligible for the Anne Ford Scholarship, an applicant must:

- Be a graduating high school senior who will be attending a four-year bachelor’s degree program in the fall
- Have an overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 or higher on a 4-point scale (or equivalent)
- Submit current financial information
- Provide most current documentation of an identified learning disability and/or ADHD (e.g., psycho-educational report, neuropsychological evaluation, IEP or 504 plan) and has utilized services, supports, and/or accommodations.
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Avonte Oquendo Memorial Scholarship for Autism- $1000

The Avonte Oquendo Memorial Scholarship is open to high-achieving students who meet two key criteria:

1. Either you or a close family member has been diagnosed with a form of autism, including Asperger syndrome, and
2. The applicant is currently enrolled or has been accepted into an accredited university or college, either at the undergraduate or post-graduate level.

Additionally, applicants should submit an essay on one of the topics listed below with a minimum of 500 words and maximum of 1,000 words.
BMO Capital Markets Lime Connect Equity Through Education Scholarship- $10000

2018 Scholarship Applicants must match the following criteria:

• A current undergraduate or graduate student at a four-year university in the United States or Canada (graduate program itself, e.g., business school, may be shorter in length)
• Continuing studies as a full-time student in Fall 2019 with a minimum 40% course load
• Pursuing a degree in business/commerce, computer science, engineering, math, physics, statistics or a related discipline
• Interested in a career in Financial Services with a focus on Capital Markets preferred
• A person with a (visible or non-visible) disability (defined as someone who has, or considers themselves to have, a long-term or recurring, issue that impacts one or more major activities that others may consider to be a daily function); this definition also includes the perception among others that a disability exists. We know that 90% of disabilities on campus are invisible, and candidates with all disabilities are encouraged to apply
• Previous BMO Capital Markets Lime Connect Equity Through Education scholars and applicants are encouraged to apply again if they remain eligible

Johnson Scholarship Foundation Scholarships

Provides need-based scholarships to undergraduate, degree-seeking students with disabilities who are attending one of the 12 state universities. Students meeting the criteria can submit their initial scholarship application or apply directly to the university they seek to attend.

• Theodore R. and Vivian M. Johnson Scholarship
• State University System of Florida Johnson Scholarship

The Kelsey B. Diamantis TS Scholarship Family Foundation, Inc for a Dollars 4 Tic Scholars- $1000

Scholarship will be available on November 1, 2018. It is awarded to a deserving student with Tourette Syndrome who will be attending college.

KFM Making A Difference for Autism Scholarship- $500

Requirements:

All high school students with autism attending a post-secondary program in the next year may apply. In addition, all current college students with autism may apply as well who will be attending a post-secondary program in the next academic year. This scholarship has no geographic restrictions meaning it’s open to all upcoming and current college students with autism in the U.S and internationally!
Lime Connect Pathways Scholarship-$1000

Eligibility Requirements:
Scholarship Applicants must match the following criteria:

- Have, or consider themselves to have a visible or invisible disability*
- Current high school senior in the U.S. or Canada graduating in the Spring or Summer
- Accepted to, or applied and awaiting acceptance to, a 4-year university or college in the U.S. or Canada for the next academic year
- Intending to be enrolled full-time in that 4-year university or college in the Fall following high school

https://www.limeconnect.com/programs/page/lime-connect-pathways-scholarship-for-high-school-seniors

Microsoft Disability Scholarship- $5000 per year (renewable)

To be considered for the Microsoft disAbility Scholarship, you must:

- Be a current high school senior with living with a disAbility (as defined by WHO), whether that be visual, hearing, mobility, cognitive, speech or other disAbility.
- Plan to attend an undergraduate program in a 2 or 4-year University/College or Technical College in the fall of the academic year following high-school graduation. Schools must be in the USA or have a USA-Affiliate for financial transactions (contact Seattle Foundation to verify non-USA school’s eligibility).
- Declare a major in engineering, computer science, computer information systems, law, business, or a related field (e.g. paralegal, pre-law, finance, business administration, or marketing).
- Demonstrate a passion for technology.
- Demonstrate leadership at school and/or in the community.
- Have a high school cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.
- Require financial assistance to attend college.
- Enrollment status must be full-time or half time.


NDSS (National Down Syndrome Society) Scholarships

NDSS offers various scholarships for students with Down Syndrome. Scholarships available include:

- The Adams & Giannou Community Engagement Scholarship
- Brandon Gruber Scholarship
- NDSS and Voya Cares® Entrepreneur Grants
- O’Neill Tabani Enrichment Fund
- The Blake Pyron Entrepreneurship Scholarship
- Ethan Saylor Memorial Scholarship
- Dan Piper Award

https://ndss.org/scholarships
UPS for DownS Scholarships

UPS for DownS offers 4 individual scholarships totaling $5500:

- Katie MacDonald Memorial Scholarships (Two scholarships awarded)- $1500 each
- UPS for DownS Sibling Scholarship- $1500
- Tiffany Diamond Memorial Scholarship- $1000

https://www.upsfordowns.org/scholarships

Additional Resources- Scholarship Search Engines

Scholarship search engines are a resource for students to create accounts and be notified of potential scholarships that match their criteria.

- www.mycollegedollars.com
- www.scholarships.com
- https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/pay-for-college