

Local Scholarships...

Pies and Presidents Scholarship Essay

Students from Otsego County schools in grades 7 through 12 are eligible to participate in an essay competition. Students will write an essay between 1000 to 2500 words on the following prompt: The First Amendment to the US Constitution, what does it protect and why is it important to you? Applications are available from the guidance office.

Deadline: January 26, 2018.

St Francis of Assisi

This scholarship is available to graduating seniors who are active members of the St. Francis of Assisi Parish. Upon graduation, applicants must be working toward an accredited degree and enrolled in a two or four year undergraduate program, or enrolled in post-secondary trade school. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline:**

March 1, 2018.

State Scholarships...

American Legion/Michigan Auxiliary

Applications for the following scholarships are available online at <http://www.michiganlegion.org/scholarships.html>.

Brewer Scholarship and Guy M. Wilson Scholarship

Selection is based on the following: student's academic standing (2.5 minimum GPA), financial need, proof of parent's or grandparent's military service record and student's goals and intentions. **Deadline: January 8, 2018.**

Ave Maria University Michigan Scholarship

Ave Maria University is a Catholic, liberal arts institution located in Ave Maria, Florida. This \$7000 yearly scholarship is available, in addition to any merit-based and/or athletic scholarships for which the applicant may qualify, and is renewable for four years if the recipient maintains a university GPA of 2.5 or higher. Applicants must have a 2.8 GPA or above and an ACT score of 22+ or a SAT score of 1100+. Applicants must also be a practicing Catholic (endorsement letter from parish). Interested students must be accepted to Ave Maria University and complete the online scholarship application at <https://www.avemaria.edu/future-students/scholarships/#michigan>.

Credit Union ONE of Michigan

Seniors who have a family member who has belonged to Credit Union ONE for a minimum of 6 months may be eligible to apply for their scholarship. The student must also have completed 30 or more of documented, qualified community service during their Junior/Senior years of high school, ending April 2018. GPA must be at least a 3.0 and the student must be planning to attend college in the fall on 2018 as a full time student. Applications can be found online at <http://www.cuone.org/about/scholarships.aspx>. **Deadline: April 1, 2018.**

Michigan Education Association Scholarship

This scholarship is for dependents of MEA members in good standing or MEA-Retired members. Applicants must be graduating from a Michigan public high school or private high school that has a MEA bargaining unit. The applicant must also be planning to or currently attending a Michigan public community/junior college, four-year degree-granting institution or vocational training institution that grants a degree, certificate or license, or be attending one of the following private institutions: Baker College-Flint,/Owosso; University of Detroit-Mercy; Adrian College; Finlandia University; and Albion College. Qualified individuals should apply online at www.mea.org/mea-scholarship. Priority is given on the basis of: academic achievement, extra-curricular activities, school and community service, and students from lower income households: **Thursday, February 22, 2018.**

Michigan High School and College Broadcast Awards

These awards are intended for students planning to pursue broadcasting as a career. There are many categories in which one can participate. For details, visit www.studentbroadcastawards.org. **Deadline: December 19, 2017.**

National Scholarships...

ACT Student Champion Award

The ACT Student Champion Award recognizes one student in each state who is tenacious and persistent, no matter the challenge, and is prepared for life after high school with a goal in hand and a plan in place. This \$500 non-renewable scholarship is open to students who have an ACT score of 22 or higher. Applications can be found at www.act.org/readinesschampions. **Deadline: December 31, 2017.**

Burger King Scholarships

Burger King Scholar

The requirements for this scholarship are to have a minimum GPA of 2.5, be passionate about serving the community, be a high school senior, and be a Burger King Employee or child of an Burger King Employee. Application information can be found at <https://bkmclamorefoundation.org/who-we-are/programs/burger-king-scholars-program/application-information/>. **Deadline: December 15, 2017.**

Burger King James W. McLamore Whopper Scholarship

The requirements for this scholarship are to have a minimum GPA of 3.3 and an ACT score of 25+ or a combined SAT score of 1700, demonstrate an active leadership role in community service, athletics and/or similar co-curricular activity (such as student government, team sports, etc.) and demonstrate substantial work experience. Scholarships range from \$1000-\$50,000. The application is online at <https://www.scholarshipamerica.org/burgerkingscholars>. **Deadline: December 15, 2017.**

Cooperative Education Scholarships

The National Co-op Scholarship Program awards many scholarships for students attending one of the following 11 colleges: Clarkson University, Drexel University, Merrimack College, Rochester Institute of Technology, State University of New York Oswego, University of Cincinnati, University of Massachusetts Lowell, the University of Toledo or Wentworth Institute of Technology. Students must have a GPA of 3.5 or better and complete the National Co-op Scholarship program application, including a typed one-page essay describing why you have chosen a college cooperation education program. It is strongly recommended that you apply early if you are interested in a co-op scholarship. Apply online at www.waceinc.org. **Deadline: February 15, 2018.**

Food Gear's Scholarship

Food Gear is providing a merit-based \$1000 scholarship in December 2017 and May 2018 for students. Applicants must have a 3.0 GPA and will need to write an essay of approximately 500 words describing why you should be selected for the scholarship. Find out more about this scholarship at <https://foodgear.org/scholarship/>. **Deadline: December 15, 2017 and May 15, 2018.**

Free Speech Essay Contest

High school juniors and seniors for the 2017-18 school year are eligible to participate in FIRE's essay contest. To enter, students must submit an essay between 800 and 1000 words on the provided topic. One \$10,000 first prize, one \$5000 second prize and three \$1000 runner-up prizes will be awarded for the best essays. Four \$5000 winners will be chosen from the remaining entrants in a drawing. To enter, visit thefire.org/contest. Essays will be accepted through **December 31, 2017.**

Geekermag Scholarship

Two \$1000 scholarships are available for students who are pursuing courses in Medical, Technical, Nursing, Law and Arts. Applications will be chosen based on merit and contribution towards human society. Applicants must have a 3.0 GPA and need to submit a 500-word essay describing your achievements and contributions towards human society. A letter of recommendation from a teacher is also needed. For more information, visit <https://geekermag.com/scholarship/>. **Deadline: December 10, 2017 and May 10, 2018.**

McDermott Scholars Program

The Eugene McDermott Scholars Program at the University of Texas in Dallas is one of the nation's most generous and selective undergraduate merit awards. Valued at more than \$250,000 (out-of-state), the scholarship includes tuition, stipend, study abroad and professional development funding. UT Dallas students have access to distinguished faculty, innovative academic programs, nationally recognized research and countless career-oriented opportunities. Learn more about our newest McDermott Scholars at <https://www.utdallas.edu/mcdermott/>. **Deadline: January 3, 2018 (final).**