

FREE NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH SITES

Naviance connection.naviance.com/willowbrook

On the Naviance Family Connection homepage, there is a direct link with the FAFSA website. Under the “College” tab, there is a section titled “College Research.” Click on the subtitle, “college resources” Here you will find a financial aid section, which will list several links to various website with financial aid topics. These topics include how to find a scholarship, getting a student loan, or how to create a financial aid profile.

Fastweb <http://www.fastweb.com>

Recommended by over 15,500 high schools and 3,500 colleges, FastWeb is the nation's largest, most accurate, and most frequently updated scholarship database online.

- Free Scholarship Search
- Personalized Scholarship Matching
- Side-by-side College Comparison
- Financial Aid and Student Loan Tips
- Part-Time Jobs and Internships Search

College Board Scholarship Search http://apps.collegeboard.com/cbsearch_ss/welcome.jsp

This online tool will help you locate scholarships, internships, grants, and loans that match your education level, talents, and background. Complete the brief questionnaire and Scholarship Search will find potential opportunities from their database of more than 2,300 sources of college funding, **totaling nearly \$3 BILLION** in available aid! College Board's database and printed handbook are broadly relevant—you won't find scholarships here that are intended for use at just one institution. And because of The College Board's role as the organization behind the SAT, AP exams, etc., they have rigorous standards for the scholarships they include in their database, including only those scholarships with a documented history from a well-established sponsor.

Wiredscholar http://www.collegeanswer.com/paying/scholarship_search/pay_scholarship_search.jsp

Your search will provide access to an award database that contains more than **2.8 million scholarships worth over 16 billion dollars**, and is expanded and updated daily. Their search combines superior search technology with highly accurate scholarship information to provide students and parents with a customized list of scholarship leads.

Scholarship Resource Network Express <http://72.3.140.137/index.cfm>

Scholarship Resource Network Express contains a database of over **8,000 programs** with a distribution level of over **150,000 awards** for undergraduate and postgraduate students worth a total of more than **\$35 million!**

Scholarships.com

Scholarships.com provides a [safe and reliable way](#) for students to find relevant [scholarship opportunities](#), [compare colleges](#) and learn about [financial aid](#). Scholarships.com has spent the past 15 years building and confirming the legitimacy of every scholarship opportunity in our database. And there are never any fees.

Questbridge www.questbridge.org

QuestBridge enables talented students from low-income backgrounds to attend 35 of the best schools in the country. Through their programs, they support thousands of low-income students from their junior year of high school until their college graduation. Completely free.

What they offer:

- Full four-year scholarships with no loans covering tuition, housing, food, books, and travel
- Access to 35 of the top colleges in the country
- A completely free application designed to highlight the unique experiences of low-income students to maximize your chances for admission and financial aid results
- A network of talented students from similar backgrounds who will be your friends and mentors as you adjust to college life
- Quest for Excellence Awards including new laptop computers or funding for college visits

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Hispanic Scholarship Fund www.hsf.net

As the nation's largest provider of college financial aid to Latino students, the Hispanic Scholarship Fund offers a diverse range of scholarship programs, including [Gates Millennium Scholars](#). There are a number of general requirements that must be met to qualify for any scholarship awarded by or through Hispanic Scholarship Fund. Some specialized scholarships also have additional requirements.

General Scholarship Eligibility Requirements:

In order to qualify for an HSF scholarship, each applicant must meet all of the following requirements:

- ▪ Have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA on a 4.0 scale
- ▪ Be a U.S. citizen OR legal permanent resident with a valid permanent resident card or passport stamped I-551
- ▪ Be pursuing, or plan to pursue, your first undergraduate or graduate degree
- ▪ Plan to apply for federal financial aid using the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- ▪ Plan to enroll full-time as an undergraduate or graduate student at a U.S. accredited institution in the U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands, or Guam in the upcoming academic year.

Additional Eligibility Requirements (for some scholarships):

Some additional restrictions or requirements may apply to specific scholarship programs administered by HSF. Please check carefully the program guidelines for each scholarship to which you plan to apply.

ROTC Scholarships:

<http://www.todaymilitary.com/before-serving-in-the-military/rotc-programs>

The scholarship pays for college tuition, textbooks, fees and other academic expenses. Students also receive a tax free subsistence allowance of up to \$1000 each school year. The scholarships apply to any university which has an ROTC program. Competition for these scholarships is very high. Ninety percent of the recipients rank in the top 25% of their class and have high ACT or SAT scores. Leadership potential (extracurricular activities) is also an important factor. Application procedures should start at the end of the junior year or early in senior year.

The Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) trains students in about 500 Army, Navy, Marine Corps, and Air Force units at participating colleges and universities. Trainees take 2 and 5 hours of military instruction a week in addition to regular college courses.

Students in the last 2 years of an ROTC program and all those on ROTC scholarships receive a monthly allowance while attending school and additional pay for summer training. After graduation they serve as officers on active duty for a stipulated period of time.

College graduates can earn a commission in the Armed Forces through Officer Candidate School Programs in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and National Guard.

