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| BCCHS *College News* JANUARY 2017$cholarship Edition  |

Save the Date:

BCCHS ALUMNI DAY!

Friday, January 13 2017

* Alumni Presentations:
	+ College Experience Panel for Seniors. This is mandatory for all seniors:

 **Time:** 4th Period

 **Place:** Cafeteria

* + **College Experience Discussion. This will be during Advisory and will led by an alumni.**

 

**FINANCIAL AID Q & A**

**1. What is the CSS Profile and do I need to complete one?**

The answer is dependent on which schools you have applied to. Please make sure that you are aware of your schools that require the CSS Profile. You may also access the information on line at https://profileonline.collegboard.com

The CSS/Financial is a financial aid application that students needing financial aid can send to private colleges, universities, and scholarships. The fee for the initial application and one college report is $25 and additional reports are $16 for each school/program. Fee waivers are granted automatically for those who qualify and cover the

initial $25 fee and up to six college or scholarship programs. Forms are available at: https://profileonline.collegeboard.com/prf/index.jsp

2. I have selected that I would like to apply for EOP/ HEOP/ SEEK. How do I know if I am admitted?

Make sure that you have completed your FAFSA and that all of your schools are listed on your FAFSA list. If you are accepted to that school, they will include further instruction on next steps to apply for these special programs.

3. FAFSA had us use our 2015 income taxes, but since then my family’s financial situation has changed. 2015 taxes do not represent what my family’s income is (recent unemployment, death in family, disability, etc.) What do I do?

Schools understand that financial circumstances fluctuate from year to year. Under extreme circumstance, such as the ones listed above, you must call EVERY school you have applied to and speak to a financial aid office representative. They will direct you on the next steps to take.

**January Senior Checklist**

* All schools I’ve applied to are listed on Naviance
* If a school I have applied to wants my first quarter grades, I’ve provided the college office with an envelop addressed to that school
* I am aware of which of my schools have a January 1 and January 15 deadline
* I’ve checked which of my schools require a CSS profile and have completed that profile
* I have sent my SAT and ACT scores to **ALL** of my schools
* I have completed my FAFSA and listed ALL of my schools on my application
* I have completed my TAP
* I have completed all of my supplemental essays
* I have thanked all of my recommenders ☺



**General Scholarships**

**Albert Shanker UFT Scholarship**

$1,250 per year, $5,000 total

This award is for low income families (free or reduced lunch)

**Deadline: January 31st, 2017**

Application available:

<http://www.uft.org/files/attachments/shanker-scholarship-application-2017.pdf>

**Banyan Scholarship**

**Amount:** $2,000-5,000

**Deadline:** February 17, 2017.

Students must fulfill the following requirements to apply:

* Be of South Asian origin or descent (countries include India, Pakistan, Bangaldesh, Sri Lanka and Nepal)
* Be a senior in high school in New York City
* Be a citizen, national or permanent resident of the U.S.
* Have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher
* Show annual family household income to be below $75,000
* Have two recommendation letters submitted on their behalf

<http://www.banyanscholarship.org/>

**Asian and Pacific Islander American Scholarship**

**APIASF General Scholarship Minimum Eligibility**

The APIASF General Scholarship online application opens on September 15, 2016 and closes on January 11, 2017 at 11:59 PM EST. Scholarship awards range from one-time $2,500 awards to multi-year $20,000 awards. APIASF provides scholarships to underserved AAPI students with a special focus on those who:

* Live at or below the poverty level, or are otherwise of low socioeconomic status;
* Are the first in their families to attend college;
* Are representative of the AAPI community's diversity, geographically and ethnically, especially those ethnicities that have been underrepresented on college campuses due to limited access and opportunity; and
* Have placed strong emphasis on community service and leadership as well as solid academic achievement.

**Deadline:** January 11, 2017

<http://www.apiasf.org/scholarship_apiasf.html>

**AWG Minority Scholarship**

A woman who is African-American, Hispanic, or Native American ♣ A full-time student who is pursuing an undergraduate degree in the geosciences (geology, geophysics, geochemistry, hydrology, meteorology, physical oceanography, planetary geology, or earth science education) at an accredited college or university (high school students who will enter one of these fields during their freshman year may also apply) A contributor to the larger world community through her academic and personal strengths

**Amount:** $6,000

**Deadline:** June 30, 2017

<http://awg.org/images/awards/AWG%20Minority%20Scholarship%20pdf.pdf>

**Blacks at Microsoft Scholarship**

Be a high-school senior of African descent (for example, African American, African, or Ethiopian).

Plan to attend a four-year college or university in the fall of the year following high-school graduation.

Plan to pursue a bachelor's degree in engineering, computer science, computer information systems, or select business programs (such as finance, business administration, or marketing).

Demonstrate a passion for technology.

Demonstrate leadership at school or in the community.

Have a cumulative GPA of 3.3 or higher.

Require financial assistance to attend college.

Deadline: March 1, 2017

<http://www.microsoft.com/en-us/diversity/programs/blacks-scholarships.aspx>

**Chin: Sui Kuen and Allen Chin Scholarship**

* Grade level: Incoming freshman or current, full-time undergraduate at a four-year college or university in 2017-18
* Student or parent currently/formerly employed at an Asian-owned or Asian cuisine restaurant
* Any ethnic heritage
* Community advocacy and social justice work on behalf of Asian American, immigrant, gay and lesbian and/or other progressive causes
* Minimum GPA: 3.0
* Financial need

**Deadline**: February 24, 2017

**Amount:** Two $1,000

<http://asianpacificfund.org/what-we-do/scholarships/apply-for-scholarship/#chin>

**Mai Sai Vang Memorial Scholarship**

**All students, race, nationalities, or ethnic backgrounds are eligible for this scholarship.**

• Any state resident., Any high school senior, high school or GED graduate or current college student is eligible.

A successful applicant must demonstrate the following

 A commitment to overcoming challenges.

 A clear vision of his/her personal goals.

Essay: In one essay, 1000 words or less, please answer the following questions

1. Tell us about the challenges you have faced and what you have done to overcome them.

2. Share your goals related to your education, career path, and/or volunteer work.

Amount: $1,000

Deadline: March 17, 2017

<http://www.thehaef.org/uploads/3/4/3/9/34394386/mai_sai_vang.pdf>

**Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship**

* Show leadership potential;
* Demonstrate a dedication to community service;
* Present evidence of financial need;
* Be a United States citizen;
* Have a minimum SAT score of 1,000 combined on the math and critical reading sections or a composite ACT score of 21;

\*\*\*FOUR Essay Question, START EARLY!

**Deadline**: February 14, 2017

**Amount**: $28,000 ($7,000/year)

**Moody’s Mega Math Challenge**

$125,000 in Scholarship prizes ranging from $1000 to $20,000 is available to teams of high school juniors and seniors. The competition requires students to solve an open-ended, realistic, math-modeling problem-in just 14 hours! The Challenge takes place February 24th-27th 2017.

**Deadline** to register: February 17, 2017

Please visit <http://m3challenge.siam.org/> to learn more!

**RMHC: Ronald Mcdonald House of Charities**

**-ASIAScholarship Program**

$17,000 Scholarship offered to Asian students in the tri-state area. Applicants must be a legal U.S. resident and have a minimum GPA of 2.7

**-RMHC/Scholars**

All students are eligible to apply regardless of race, color, creed, religion, sexual orientation, gender, disability or national origin

**-RMHC/African-American Future Achievers:** Applicant must have at least one parent of African American or Black Caribbean heritage.

**RMHC/HACER:**

Applicant must have at least one parent of Hispanic/Latino heritage.

**DEADLINE FOR RHMC SCHOLARSHIPS:**

**January 18, 2017**

[**http://www.rmhc.org/rmhc-us-scholarships**](http://www.rmhc.org/rmhc-us-scholarships)

**New York Water Environment Association, Inc.**

$10,000 Major Environmental Career Scholarship Application. To be eligible students must be a qualifying high school senior, a NY State resident, and intend to pursue a B.S. or B.E. degree program with an environmental emphasis.

Apply at:<http://nywea.org/scholarship/>

**Deadline:** **February 28, 2016**

**We Are the Students Essay Contest**

Essay Prompt: Civil disobedience is the act of opposing a law one considers unjust and peacefully disobeying it while accepting the consequences. Does peaceful resistance to laws positively or negatively impact a free society? In your answer, incorporate the principles and specific examples (including current events) that support your conclusion.

**Deadline: February 5, 2017**

[**http://billofrightsinstitute.org/engage/students-programs-events/scholarship/**](http://billofrightsinstitute.org/engage/students-programs-events/scholarship/)

**The Burger King Scholars Program**

Has awarded more than $15.4 million to high school seniors. For more information visit:

<http://www.haveityourwayfoundation.org/burger_king_scholars_program.html>

**Ascend Educational Fund**

AEF will provide two-year or four-year college scholarships to promising immigrant students in New York City, who were either born outside the U.S. or have two parents born outside the U.S., in the range of $2,500-$20,000.

**Deadline**: February 2, 2017

Apply at: <http://ascendfundny.org/scholarship/2017-application-info/>

**New York Society of Professional Engineers**

Monetary “Scholar Award” to a high school senior who is a resident of Manhattan or goes to school in Manhattan and intends to study engineering in college. A second annual scholarship is also given on behalf of the Society of engineering and Architectural Professions. Selections are based on academic performance, extracurricular activities, recommendation from counselor, and an essay written on the contribution he/she hopes to make in society as an engineer.

**Deadline:** March 24, 2017

*Applications have been e-mailed to all seniors. If you do not have it, stop by the college office.*

**GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship Program**

In honor of the legacy and character of President Ronald Reagan, this program annually rewards up to 20 college-bound students who demonstrate exemplary leadership, drive, integrity, and citizenship with $10,000 renewable scholarships (up to $40,000 per recipient).

**Deadline: January 5, 2017**

Apply at: <https://www.reaganfoundation.org/education/scholarship-programs/ge-reagan-foundation-scholarship-program/>

**Gates Millennium Scholarship**

Provides outstanding low-income African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American, and Hispanic American students with financial assistance for college as well as leadership development support.

Apply at: www.gmsp.org

Deadline: **January 13, 2016**

**Milton Fisher Scholarship**

Four year scholarship of up to $20,000 for innovative and creative high school students from the NYC metro area.

Apply for this scholarship if you are . . .

* a student who has solved an artistic, scientific, or technical problem in a new or unusual way
* a student who has come up with a distinctive solution to problems faced by your school, community or family
* a student who has created a new group, organization, or institution that serves an important need

**Deadline:** April 30, 2017

Apply at: [www.rbffoundation.org](http://www.rbffoundation.org)

**Ayn Rand Essay Contest**

Cash prizes awarded to essays on specific topics on Ayn Rand’s *Anthem*, *The Fountainhead*, & *We Are the Living*

Apply at:

<http://essaycontest.aynrandnovels.org/TheFountainhead.aspx>

**McDonald’s My Inspirational Story Contest**

Over $4,500 in prizes! To be eligible, students must submit an original video on YouTube that is between 3-5 minutes in length.

Apply at: [www.mcdonaldsnytristate.com](http://www.mcdonaldsnytristate.com)

**The Random House Creative Writing Competition For New York City Public High School Seniors**

For New York City public high school students. Eligibility: Must be a high school senior attending a New York City public high school. Original literary composition may be submitted in the genre of poetry/ spoken word, fiction/drama, personal essay/memoir or graphic novel.

\*\*\*2017 application not posted yet. Keep checking!

**Deadline:** February 15 for poetry/ spoken word/ fiction/ drama, and personal essay. April 1 for graphic novel. Amount: $500–$10,000

<http://foundation.penguinrandomhouse.com/learn-more/creativewriting/rules.html>

**Columbus Citizens Foundation**

Students who are of Italian descent (at least 25% Italian) with a GPA of 3.0 (85% or B) or higher who are from households where the total gross income does not exceed $25,000 per capita ($25,000 per person in the household) are eligible. *For example, for a household of four, the maximum total gross income is $100,000 to be eligible.*

Deadline: February 17, 2017

<http://www.columbuscitizensfd.org/scholarships/college.html>

**Technology Addiction Awareness Scholarship**

How to apply: Complete the application form below including a 140-character message about technology addiction. The top 10 applications will be selected as finalists. The finalists will be asked to write a full length 500- to 1,000-word essay about technology addiction.

**Deadline:**January 30, 2017

<http://www.digitalresponsibility.org/technology-addiction-awareness-scholarship>

**Superpower Scholarship**

Use your imagination and become the superhero, or perhaps supervillain, you've always wanted to be. Would you live a life in a comic book universe or use your powers here in the real world? We want to know how you would use your super powers for good, or bad, even if it was just for the day.

Submit an online short written response (250 words or less) for the question:"Which superhero or villain would you want to change places with for a day and why?"

**Deadline:** March 31, 2017

**Amount:** $2,500

<https://www.unigo.com/scholarships/our-scholarships/superpower-scholarship>

**Hispanic Scholarship Fund**

Multiple scholarships for students of Hispanic/Latino descent. Application opens on January 1, 2017.

**Deadline**: March 30, 2017.

More information at <https://hsf.net/en/scholarships/programs/general-college-scholarships>

**Scholly.com**

Link: [https://myscholly.com/#scholly](https://myscholly.com/%22%20%5Cl%20%22scholly%22%20%5Ct%20%22_blank)

There is a $2.99 fee to sign up, but I have found a promo code: **RHM406$**

**Studentaid.ed.gov**

This site has a search directory of 75 different private and government grants.

**\*\*MyCollegeDollars.com\*\***

This site is extremely helpful! It is run by CollegeBoard in partnership with MTV; students can find thousands of scholarships with their great search tool.

**Fastweb.com**

This site contains over 1.3 million awards worth over $3 billion dollars.

**Collegenet.com**

This is a great site where you can type a keyword into their scholarship search feature and it will give you a list of all scholarships that match that keyword. For example try putting in something like “engineering” or “psychology” and see how many scholarships pop up!

Other helpful scholarship search sites:

**StudentScholarshipSearch.com**

**Scholarships.CollegeToolkit.com**

 

**College-Specific Scholarships**

**Japan Center at Stony Brook Scholarship**

Essay competition to promote awareness and understanding of Japan in the U.S. Three Best Essay Awards, $3,000 for first place with a Canon camera, and multiple special cash awards.

Apply at: <http://www.stonybrook.edu/commcms/japan/events/essay.html>

Deadline: **January 8, 2017**

**National Commission for Cooperative Education**

Scholarships for students planning to attend one of nine partnership schools: SUNY Oswego, Drexel, Johnson & Whales, Merrimack College, and UMASS Lowell Scholarships for $6,000 and renewable for all four years.

**Deadline: Different for each partner school.**

More information and apply at: [www.co-op.edu](http://www.co-op.edu)

**Alfred State College Scholarships**

Multiple scholarships available for matriculating students. See individual scholarships for specific deadlines

Apply at: <https://www.alfredstate.edu/financial-aid/scholarships>

**Queens College Mathematics Teacher Scholarships**

Financial incentives for students who want to become secondary school math teachers. More information at: <http://time2000.qc.cuny.edu/>

Deadline: **Rolling, so apply early!**

**SUNY Brockport Clark V. Whited/JP Morgan Chase Scholarship**

This scholarship was established through the generosity of JPMorgan Chase Bank and Dr. Whited, professor emeritus of physical education and sport, who taught at the College from 1946-1983. It recognizes a current department major who has demonstrated outstanding academic ability and service to the College through participation in extracurricular endeavors. Please use the All Kinesiology, Sports Studies and Physical Education General Scholarship (KSSPE) application to apply for this scholarship.

Deadline: February 15, 2017

<https://brockport.academicworks.com/opportunities/5353>

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**Essay Help!**

Come to the College Office for help with scholarship essays. **Ms. Rodgers is available on Thursdays. Signup sheets are available on the bulletin board outside the College Office**. Please formally notify your teachers of your scheduled appointment.

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## Interview Help!

A college interview is a great way to show a college that you are more than test scores and grades. There are several benefits to having a face-to-face interview such as the ability to explain to the college why they should accept you and also gain further knowledge of the school you are applying to. With that in mind, visit the College Office to set up a date so that either Ms. Savino can help.

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<http://www.cuny.edu/rotc>

<http://www.goarmy.com/rotc>

***\* To compete for a 4 year scholarship, visit*** [***http://www.goarmy.com/rotc/high-school-students/four-year-scholarship.html***](http://www.goarmy.com/rotc/high-school-students/four-year-scholarship.html) ***and apply by January 10th, 2017***