SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH RESOURCES

CareerOneStop Scholarship Finder
www.careeronestop.org/Toolkit/Training/find-scholarships.aspx

Sponsored by the U.S. Department of Labor, CareerOneStop’s Scholarship Finder database includes more than 8,000 scholarships, fellowships, loans, and other financial aid opportunities. Search criteria include specific award types, levels of study, geographic location, and affiliations (such as religion, race, disability, or profession).

Big Future—College Board Scholarship Search
scholarships.collegeboard.org/?navId=scholarships-ss

Information at this site comes from the College Board’s Annual Survey of Financial Aid Programs. Enter information about your background and educational goals, and the Scholarship Search tool will match you with scholarships, internships, research grants, and loans from more than 2,200 programs, totaling nearly $6 billion. An account is required to use the search.

College Scholarships Foundation
www.collegescholarships.org

On this site, scholarship opportunities can be browsed by category: Athletic, Minority, Degree Level, Subject, State, and Student Type. Within these categories, in addition to traditional academic fields, you will find sections devoted to technical and vocational programs, automotive trades, and cosmetology. This site also features some unusual scholarships. Under "Student Type", you can find scholarship information for married students, foster children, twins, and even vegans, among others.

FREE SCHOLARSHIP PROFILE SERVICES

The following sites are free to use, but you must create a user account and profile to search. Like dating websites, they match the information you provide about yourself with scholarship opportunities from their database. However, be aware that these sites may allow colleges and other companies to target users for advertising. If you do not wish to be contacted by advertisers, be sure to select that option when setting up your profile.

Fastweb
www.fastweb.com

Finaid
www.finaid.org/scholarships

Unigo
www.unigo.com

Scholarships.com
www.scholarships.com

Student Scholarship Search
www.studentscholarships.com

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP RESOURCES

Ibero-American Action League
www.ibero.org/scholarship/

The IAAL’s Hispanic Scholarship Program provides merit-based college scholarships to Hispanic high school seniors in Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Wayne, or Yates County.

Rochester Area Community Foundation
www.racf.org/scholarships

The Rochester Area Community Foundation administers more than 125 scholarships for students in the eight-county Rochester region. These scholarships are endowed by local individuals and organizations and may have specific eligibility criteria. For example, the Frank Commissio Golf Scholarship awards $500 annually to students pursuing a golf related educational program at a two- or four-year school. In addition to college and vocational programs, some scholarships apply to special opportunities, such as summer camps, music lessons, or high school study abroad programs. A small number of scholarships are also available to cover tuition costs at local private high schools.

Urban League of Rochester Black Scholars Program
www.urbanleagueroc.org/youth

The Black Scholars Program provides recognition, assistance, and incentives to students who achieve and maintain a “B” or better average throughout high school. The program awards over $2.5 million annually in scholarships to Black Scholars from school districts in Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, and Wayne counties.

PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

Many groups offer scholarships specifically for their members. If you or your parents belong to a professional association, club, religious denomination, or other group, investigate whether they offer any scholarship or financial aid opportunities. Most scholarships of this type can be found by searching the resources described here, but some may not be included. Check the organization’s website or speak with a representative of the organization directly to find out whether they offer scholarships.