

Wake Young Women's Leadership Academy Scholarship Bulletin – February 2019

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- **FAFSA:** Graduating seniors and parents can now access the FAFSA at <http://fafsa.ed.gov> . Before you can complete the FAFSA, students and parents will need to create a FSA ID at <http://fsaid.ed.gov> . We encourage all students attending college, regardless their financial situation, to complete the **FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) with their parents. This is the main avenue through which the federal and state government distributes grants, work-study opportunities, and loans.
- **WYWLA Financial Aid Counselor – Amy Malasky:** If you would like to meet with our financial aid counselor, Amy Malasky, please schedule a time through this link: <https://goo.gl/forms/zmMb7vg4jFI8vQS2> . You can also email her at amalasky@wcpss.net if you have questions. Her remaining dates for the semester are: February 1st, March 1st and April 5th.
- **Scholarship Report Form and College Acceptances:** Seniors, please continue to update your college acceptances and scholarship offers through the mid-year check in: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd9hT04opS34G6LKTykQl-BcrTOBLnRcZUGHu2VQnNtXKGC9Q/viewform> .
- **NC College Application Deadlines and Open House Information:** Visit https://www.cfnc.org/static/pdf/home/sc/pdf/admissions_deadlines.pdf for complete information on application deadlines and open house dates for all NC colleges.
- **HBCU College Applications:** Seniors can submit up to 43 applications to Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) and pay only one application fee. Visit www.commonblackcollegeapp.com for more information and to view participating schools.
- Other excellent sources of scholarship and college information include www.fastweb.com; www.cfnc.org; www.collegeboard.com; www.scholarshipplus.com/wake; www.scholarships.com; www.finaid.org; www.studentaid.ed.gov; www.studentscholarships.org and the financial aid/scholarship web pages of the individual universities in which you are interested.

New Scholarship Opportunities

Alpha Delta Kappa Hammond Hill Scholarship: This is a \$2,000 scholarship opportunity for a Wake County senior who plans to enter the field of education. The application includes an essay and submission of 2 letters of recommendations. Completed applications are due April 1st. If you would like a copy of the application, please email Mrs. di Carlo at kdicarlo@wcpss.net .

Alzheimer's Foundation of America Essay Contest: This is a \$5,000 scholarship opportunity for seniors who write an essay about the impact that Alzheimer's Disease has had on their lives. The application deadline is February 15th. You can access the application and more information at <https://alzfdn.org/young-leaders-of-afa/afa-teens/2608-2/> under the "Teen Scholarship Essay Contest" tab.

American Association of Blacks in Energy Scholarship: This is a \$1000 - \$5000 scholarship opportunity for underrepresented minorities who plan to pursue a career in energy related fields (sciences, technology, engineering and math related disciplines). Applicants must have at least a 3.0 GPA and plan to major in business, one of the physical sciences, technology, engineering or mathematics. Applications are due March 15th. Local and national levels of the application can be found at <http://www.aabe.org/index.php?component=pages&id=4> .

AMVETS Scholarship: This is a \$4,000 scholarship opportunity for children and grandchildren of veterans, active duty and guard/reserves who are currently high school seniors. Applications are due April 30th. You can begin the application process at <http://amvets.org/scholarships/>.

Assistance League/Triangle Area Scholarship: Scholarships ranging from \$1000 - \$7500 will be awarded based on a combination of character, financial need, academic accomplishments and community service. Applications can be found at <https://altriangle.org/philanthropic-programs/scholarship/>. Applications must be postmarked by March 1st.

Benjamin F. Ward Scholarship: This is a \$10,000 scholarship opportunity for students who reside in Wake, Durham, Orange and Chatham counties and plan to attend a 4 year college or university in North Carolina. Applicants must have a minimum 2.5 GPA and a demonstrated commitment to community service and involvement. You can read more about this scholarship and access the application at <http://trianglecf.org/award/benjamin-f-ward-scholarship/>. Completed applications are due February 28th.

Cary Woman's Club of Raleigh Scholarship: This is a \$2500 scholarship opportunity for seniors residing in the Cary, Apex or Morrisville area and who attend a Wake County school. Applicants must plan to attend a college or university in North Carolina and have maintained a 3.0 or higher GPA for their junior and first half of senior year. **Applications are due March 1st.** You can view more details about the scholarship requirements and access the application at <http://carywomansclub.org/scholarships/>.

National Press Club Richard Zimmerman Scholarship: This is a \$5000 scholarship opportunity for high school seniors who are interested in pursuing a career in journalism. Applicants must have a 3.0 GPA and submit 3 work samples and a copy of their FAFSA. In an effort to recruit promising future journalists who will add to diversity in newsrooms, the National Press Club will also award the \$5000 renewable Persina Scholarship for Diversity in Journalism. Applications can be found at <http://www.press.org/about/scholarships/zimmerman> and are due March 1st.

North Carolina Central University (NCCU) Wake County Alumni Association Scholarship: This is a scholarship opportunity for Wake County residents who plan to attend NC Central. Applicants must have a minimum 2.5 GPA and SAT or equivalent test score of 900 and above. Financial need is not the primary criteria in determining awards recipients. Applications can be found at <http://www.nccuraleighwake.org/scholarships/> and are due April 16th. You can also email Martha Kearney at mkearney489@gmail.com for more information.

NC Community Foundation Scholarships: The NC Community Foundation offers a number of different scholarship and grant application opportunities. Details, deadlines and applications can be found at <http://www.nccommunityfoundation.org/grants-scholarships>.

NC Retail Merchants Association Scholarship: This is a \$2500 scholarship opportunity for high school seniors who are working in retail or have parents working in retail. More details and application requirements can be found at <http://retailpaysforcollege.org/>.

North Carolina Central University National Alumni Association Scholarship: This is a full four year scholarship opportunity for students who plan to NC Central in the fall. Applicants must have at least a 3.0 weighted GPA. Applications can be found at <http://www.nccualumni.org/scholarships-awards/> and are due March 15th.

Phi Delta Kappa Prospective Educator Scholarships: Future educators should visit the PDK site to learn about over 30 national scholarships. This is a list of multiple scholarships including special opportunities for prospective teachers with financial need, future journalism or music education majors. Applications are due

April 2nd and can be accessed at <https://pdkassociation.org/programs-resources/scholarships-awards/prospective-educator-scholarships/> .

Robert N Styres Scholarship: This is a renewable scholarship (up to \$4000 per year for 4 years) sponsored by the Rotary Club of the Capital City. While academic achievement is important it is not necessarily intended for a student with the highest GPA. Consideration is given to students with average to good grades who are hard workers and who may also have overcome adversity along the way. WYWLA is able to nominate one student for this scholarship. If you wish to be considered please complete the application posted on my website (www.wywlacounselor.weebly.com) and return it with a letter of recommendation, and a letter or statement detailing your desire and need for the scholarship to Mrs. di Carlo by 2:30 pm on Friday, March 15th. Late applications will not be accepted.

SEANC Scholarship Program: This is a scholarship opportunity for students with parents who are members of SEANC (State Employees Association of North Carolina). Scholarship applications are available through the following link. Students can apply on the basis of merit or financial need. Applications are due April 15 and must be returned to the scholarship chairperson of the SEANC district of which parent is a member. <http://www.seanc.org/membership/scholarship/>

State Employees Credit Union “People Helping People” Scholarship: WYWLA has the opportunity to nominate a student for consideration for a \$10,000 “People Helping People” scholarship opportunity. This scholarship is available to graduating public high school seniors who are either members of SECU or the child of a parent/guardian who is a member of SECU. Applicants must also have a minimum 2.5 unweighted GPA, and they must have been accepted to one of the 16 constituent campuses of the UNC system and plan to attend one of these 16 schools. Ideal candidates demonstrate leadership, excellence of character, integrity, and community involvement. **All application components are due to Mrs. di Carlo by 2:30 on Friday, February 22nd.** There are several components to the application. Please visit my website at www.wywlacounselor.weebly.com for complete details and links to each of the application components.

Triangle Sons of Italy Scholarship: This is a \$750 scholarship opportunity for Italian American students (at least 1/8 Italian) residing in the immediate Triangle area. Applications are due April 20th and can be found at <http://www.triangleonsofitaly.org/scholarships/> .

Wake Electric Scholarships: Wake Electric is offering a \$2000 Fred Alford Memorial Scholarship and 16 \$1250 Touchstone Energy Scholarships. Applicants for the Alford Memorial Scholarships must be a child of a Wake Electric member or live in a home served by Wake Electric and pursue a four year degree at a NC college or university. Applications are available at <http://wemc.com/scholarships/> and are due March 13th.

The financial aid/scholarship websites for a number of North and South Carolina universities are listed below. These websites provide valuable information on university specific merit and need-based scholarships and each university’s financial aid process:

- Appalachian State University: <http://www.admissions.appstate.edu/scholarships/index.html>
- Campbell University: <http://www.campbell.edu/student-services/financial-aid/endowed-scholarships/>
- Clemson University: <http://www.clemson.edu/financial-aid/>
- Duke University: <http://dukefinancialaid.duke.edu/>
- East Carolina University: <http://www.ecu.edu/financial/>
- Elon University: <http://www.elon.edu/e-web/admissions/financialaid/>
- High Point University: <http://www.highpoint.edu/financialplanning/>
- Meredith College: [http://www.meredith.edu/financial assistance](http://www.meredith.edu/financial_assistance)

- North Carolina A&T University: <http://www.ncat.edu/~finaid/>
- North Carolina Central University: <http://www.nccu.edu/admissionsandaid/scholarshipandaid/index.cfm>
- North Carolina State University: http://www7.acs.ncsu.edu/financial_aid/
- Saint Augustine's University: http://admissions.st-aug.edu/component/com_sobipro/Itemid,220/sid,54/
- UNC-Asheville: <http://www.unca.edu/financialaid/>
- UNC-Chapel Hill: <http://studentaid.unc.edu/>
- UNC-Charlotte: <http://finaid.uncc.edu/>
- UNC-Greensboro: <http://fia.uncg.edu/>
- UNC-Wilmington: <http://www.uncw.edu/finaid/>
- University of South Carolina: <http://www.sc.edu/financialaid/>
- Western Carolina University: <http://www.wcu.edu/current-students/financial-aid-office/>