

SAMUEL CLEMENS HIGH SCHOOL COLLEGE BULLETIN—December 17, 2008

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Scholarships, and

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SAMUEL CLEMENS HIGH SCHOOL CEEB CODE NUMBER IS **446-365**

SAT REGISTRATION		ACT REGISTRATION		**THEA REGISTRATION	
TEST DATE	DEADLINE	TEST DATE	DEADLINE	TEST DATE	DEADLINE
				Feb. 28, 2009	Jan. 30, 2009
				April 25, 2009	March 27, 2009
Jan. 24, 2009	Dec. 26, 2008	Feb. 7, 2009	Jan. 6, 2009	June 27, 2009	May 29, 2009
March 14, 2009	Feb. 10, 2009	April 4, 2009	Feb. 27, 2009	July 25, 2009	June 26, 2009
May 2, 2009	Mar. 31, 2009	June 13, 2009	May 8, 2009		
June 6, 2009	May 5, 2009				

**THEA will be required of students entering public colleges in Texas-- unless the student is Exempt from THEA based on TAKS, SAT or ACT Scores—see your counselor for more info.

Register online for the THEA, SAT, or ACT:

(on Counselor home page, "click" on the test to access their website)

THEA: <http://www.thea.nesinc.com/>

SAT: <http://www.collegeboard.com/student/testing/sat/reg.html>

ACT: <http://www.actstudent.org>

COMMON APPLICATIONS— for Texas public colleges and universities you may use the Texas Common Application for 2008-2009 found at www.applytexas.org . Using the Texas Common Application will allow you to send your application to up to three schools should you choose to do so. You will then need to follow up by sending application fees, transcripts and whatever other else the particular college requires.

A common application for many private schools may be completed on line at: www.commonapp.org – *check with your college first before using this site.*

Websites for general information

www.collegefortexans.com

www.finaid.org

www.collegeboard.com

www.embark.com

www.usafunds.org

www.fastweb.com

www.collegeispossible.org

www.texasmentor.org a guide to private colleges in Texas

SENIORS!!!

FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION—Seniors 2008 may submit the 2009-2010 FAFSA NO EARLIER than Jan 1, 2008.

At that time, in order to apply for Financial Aid, seniors need to go to the 2009-2010 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) website at: www.fafsa.ed.gov . Students must complete and submit the FAFSA in order to apply for federal student aid and to apply for most state and college financial aid. Applying online with *FAFSA on the Web* is faster and easier than using a paper

FAFSA. Worksheets for *FAFSA on the Web* are available in the Counseling Office. Should a student not be able to apply online, paper copies of the FAFSA are also available in the Counseling Office.

COLLEGE OPEN HOUSES / INFORMATION SESSIONS and GENERAL INFORMATION

Very Important:

Both **Texas A & M University-College Station** and the **University of Texas at Austin** have announced a change in application deadline dates for admission for Fall 2009. The new admissions application deadline date for both schools is January 15, 2009. THIS is an earlier application deadline than before.

News Flash!!

Vanderbilt University (Nashville, TN) announces exciting news regarding need-based financial aid. Vanderbilt is making three important commitments to undergraduate students who are U.S. citizens or non-citizens who apply and are eligible for federal need-based aid: 1. They will be “need-blind” in the admissions process; 2. They will meet 100% of demonstrated financial need for all admitted as well as returning undergraduate students; and 3. Beginning in the fall of 2009, need-based financial aid packages offered to entering undergraduate students will not include need-based loans—instead grant/gift assistance that does not have to be repaid as well as a work component will be offered to students.

Harvard College (the undergraduate college at Harvard University) has eliminated its early admissions program and has adopted a single application deadline of January 1. They believe that this will prove to be simpler and fairer. Harvard’s new financial aid policies ensure that families with incomes below \$60,000 *are not asked to contribute to the cost of sending their children to Harvard*. The new policy also reduces the amount that families with incomes below \$180,000 will be expected to pay. For more information, go to www.admissions.college.harvard.edu.

The University of Texas at Arlington has announced their Maverick Promise program making higher education more affordable by granting free tuition to students whose household income is \$65,000 or less. Students or parents who have questions about applying for the Maverick Promise program can call the UT Arlington Financial Aid Office at (817) 272-3561 or visit: www.uta.edu/fao. The Counseling Office has a handout about this new program.

Interesting tidbits

Saint Louis University-Madrid campus (Madrid, Spain) is the American Jesuit University in Spain. The campus offers four-year degree programs and study abroad opportunities. Students gain valuable international experience by living in Madrid while earning an American degree from Saint Louis University. A SLU-Madrid education costs less than at most comparable private institutions in the U. S. All applicants are automatically considered for merit-based scholarships. U.S. citizens may also apply for federal financial aid. Visit <http://spain.slu.edu> for more information.

The University of Tulsa (Tulsa, OK) continues their admission application fee waiver for IB (International Baccalaureate) students. In addition, they boast an exemplary IB recognition policy that gives credit for the hard work completed. Interested IB students may view a video at www.utulsa.edu/ib.

The University of Texas at Austin announces that students accepted to the University who have SAT Writing scores between 600 and 800 or ACT Writing scores of at least 26, are eligible to receive credit for Rhetoric 306.

Oklahoma State University (Stillwater, OK) advises that the deadline for application to their Honors College is February 1, 2009. Eligibility for 2009-2010 freshmen are ACT composite score of 27 or higher with a high school GPA of 3.75 or higher, or an SAT composite score of 1220 or higher with a high school GPA of 3.75 or higher. The Honors College at OSU offers many opportunities and challenges for outstanding undergraduate students. Go to www.okstate.edu/honors for more information.

Oregon State University (Corvallis, OR) invites you attend one of their *Spring Visit Days* on February 16, March 27, April 3, and the Kaleidoscope of Colleges and Cultures on April 24-25. If you prefer to arrange a campus visit on another date, call 800-291-4192 (option #3) or online at <http://oregonstate.edu/visitosu>

Baylor University will hold the following special campus visit dates—*Premieres* are set for January 31, 2009 and April 18, 2009. *Sic 'Em Days* will be Feb. 16 and March 23. Contact www.baylor.edu/admissions for more info.

Calvin College (Grand Rapids, MI) offer *Fridays at Calvin* to prospective students and their parents on most fridays throughout the school year. This is one of the most informative, well-organized, and friendly campus visit programs you may experience. It is a great way to get a sense of “fit”—and meet other prospective Calvin students. Each friday includes a Chapel service, group information sessions, Financial Aid, class visits, a faculty-hosted luncheon, campus tours and more. In addition to *Fridays at Calvin*, a similar program will be held on President’s Day, February 16, 2009. To register for all campus visits and to get more information, go to www.calvin.edu/visit or call 800-688-0122.

St. Lawrence University (Canton, NY) In spring 2009 they will host three *Visit Days* for juniors Feb. 16, April 3, and April 18. They welcome students to visit campus whenever it is convenient, but these Saturdays are especially set up for visits. The program will include a faculty/student panel, a campus tour, lunch with students, and an overview of St. Lawrence including the admissions process. For more information visit www.stlaw.edu .

Savannah School of Art and Design invites interested students to register online to attend a *Savannah SCAD-Day or SCAD-Atlanta Focus Day*. Get a detailed look at the creative majors and talk to talented professors and current students. Savannah: January 31, 2009, or Atlanta: January 17, 2009. Their dedicated faculty, real-world collaborations, professional internships and industry-standard technology exist at both the in Savannah and Atlanta campuses. Register at: www.scad.edu/visit

Texas State University will host four *Saturday Bobcat Days* this school year: Feb. 21 and April 18. These programs include overviews of freshman and transfer admissions, financial aid, residence life, as well as opportunities to talk with faculty and student affairs personnel. Campus tours and departmental open houses round out the schedule. Reservations are not required.

Texas A & M University will host *Aggieland Saturday* for prospective students and their families from 9am to 3pm on February 21, 2009. This is an annual campus-wide open house in which high school students tour campus, participate in interactive demonstrations and learn about academic admission, financial aid, student life and the Bryan-College Station community. Activities are free and designed to be self-guided so participants may focus on their particular area of interest. Visit www.tamu.edu/aggielandsaturday for more information.

Hardin-Simmons University (Abilene, TX) announces their *Winter Preview* on Saturday, February 21, 2009 and *Spring Round-Up* (for approved applicants only) on April 24, 2009. A visit on campus is one of the best ways to help a student determine which school is the best fit for them. They will also host a new preview event specifically for high school juniors---Junior Day will take place on March 20, 2009. For more information, email Brynn Reynolds, Visitor Coordinator, at visit@hsutx.edu or go to www.hsutx.edu/admissions .

Schreiner University hosts *Schreiner Saturdays* on February 21 and March 28. You will have the perfect opportunity to visit our beautiful campus and see what Schreiner's all about. You will learn about admission and financial aid at Schreiner, attend academic sessions with faculty members, attend a Student Life fair, enjoy brunch and go on a campus tour. An official agenda will be mailed with your confirmation packet. To register to attend Schreiner Saturday, call 800-343-4919 or email: admissions@schreiner.edu

Trinity University (San Antonio, TX) will host on April 25 *Snapshot Trinity-Inside College Admissions* for juniors who want a behind the scenes look at college admissions. For more information, go to www.trinity.edu/admissions .

Stephen F. Austin State University (Nacogdoches, TX) will conduct campus tours Monday through Friday at 10am., noon, and 2pm., and on most Saturdays at 10:30 and noon, by appointment. Additionally, *Showcase Saturday* will be held on March 28, 2009 from 1:00-5:00pm (no RSVP required). This open-house program is designed for prospective students and their families to tour the SFA campus and speak with faculty, SFA students and other administrative staff on matters of academics, financial aid, housing, admissions, and other support programs. For more info, visit: www.sfasu.edu/admissions/visitsfa .

Texas A & M University at Galveston *Sea Aggie Preview* allows high school juniors and seniors to attend sessions and explore the academic programs at TAMUG. Students spend Thursday night on campus on Pelican Island. On Friday, attend sessions and explore the programs. They will experience Aggie traditions and tours of the Training Ship TEXAS CLIPPER. Students interested in the Corps of Cadets may "Spend the Night with the Corps. Spring Sea Aggie Preview is Feb. 19/20, 2009. Registration forms are available in the Counseling Office.

Austin College (Sherman, TX) will host their *Spring Preview* for interested high school juniors and underclassmen on Monday, April 13, 2009. Please visit their website to register, for more information and other preview events: www.austincollege.edu/preview .

TRANSCRIPTS

When submitting college applications, you will need an official transcript. The first transcript is free; all others are **\$1 each**. If the transcript is for a scholarship, and the scholarship name and address are listed on the request form, then the transcript is free. Paperwork for the request can be picked up in the counseling office. The turnaround time is **48 hours**. Just a reminder, you will need a parent signature on the first request.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships.com Find money for College—link to these free services by going to www.scholarships.com/ Find college scholarship search, college search, and a resources section.

“**Need a Lift?**” is provided by the American Legion. This 152 page book lists scholarships, grants, and loans for which students may apply. It contains extensive information on scholarships for veteran’s dependents. “Need a Lift?” is available online at www.needalift.org or there is a copy you can look at in the Counseling Office.

Northwood University (Cedar Hill, TX) offers Academic Scholarships ranging in value from \$5,000 to \$9,000 annually and DECA,BPA, and FBLA Scholarships from \$1,000 to \$5,000 annually. For more information about Northwood University and their scholarship program, visit: www.northwood.edu

The University of Connecticut offers two 4-year renewable scholarships for out-of-state high school seniors with a record of high academic achievement and leadership. The **Academic Excellence Scholarship** awards one-half tuition to selected students who rank in the top 10% of their graduating class, who have achieved a high school GPA of 3.5 and have a minimum SAT (Cr. Rdg. + Math) score of 1350, or an ACT Composite score of 32. The **Leadership Scholarship** offers one-half to full tuition to students who have demonstrated a commitment to multicultural diversity programs and initiatives. Students should also have achieved a SAT score (combined Cr. Rdg. + Math) of 1100 or an ACT Composite score of 24, rank in the top 15% of their class and have a high school GPA of 3.2. Visit www.financialaid.uconn.edu for latest updates and info. *Deadline: priority given to students who apply by December 1, 2009.*

The University of Texas at Dallas offers the **Eugene McDermott Scholars Program** which offers a 4 year scholarship award for incoming freshmen—up to 20 students are selected each year. Students who have the best chance of becoming finalists will have a 1400 or higher on the SAT (Crit. Rdg + Math) or a 32 or higher on the ACT; a class rank in the top five percent of their graduating class; long records of community service and school leadership; broad and eclectic interests in science, literature and the arts; and social skills to interact easily with adults as well as peers. Applications and more information are available at www.utdallas.edu/mcdermott . *Deadline: January 1, 2009.*

San Antonio Legal Secretaries Scholarship (SALSA) will be awarding two \$750 scholarships. Students eligible to apply will submit a letter stating why he/she wants to pursue a career in the legal field, must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher, have financial need, and must submit all other required items by the deadline. *Deadline: January 9, 2009.*

Texas Tech University’s College of Engineering is proud to offer the **Koh Family Scholarships**. Recipients will be selected on the basis of outstanding scholarship, exemplary character and meaningful extracurricular activities. Entering freshmen should have a minimum ACT Composite score of 32 or a minimum SAT score (Cr. Rdg. + Math) of 1400 and will pursue full time study in an engineering discipline. Financial need may be a consideration. Qualified students who are interested in attending Texas Tech University and studying engineering, may apply at www.coe.ttu.edu/koh . *Deadline: complete applications and all supporting documents must be received by January 15, 2009.*

The University of Miami (Coral Gables, FL) announces the **Ronald A. Hammond Scholarship**. Applicants must meet the following requirements—be a high school senior, be a citizen or Permanent Resident of the U.S., have a B+ GPA of better, have SAT score (Cr. Rdg. + Math) of 1250 or an ACT composite score of 28, have submitted an admission application to the University of Miami. Students who receive this scholarship typically fit most of the following criteria—promote Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s vision of a diverse but unified America, demonstrate commitment to increasing opportunities for cultural awareness and understanding, will be the first family member to graduate from a college or university, belong to an underrepresented background, reside in a single parent home, and have challenged themselves and excelled academically. Applications are available at www.miami.edu/hammond . Deadline to apply: January 15, 2009.

The Texas Society of Professional Engineers (TSPE) will award approximately \$100,000 in scholarships to engineering students attending an ABET-accredited university. Potential engineering students need to apply and submit their application to the local TSPE chapter scholarship coordinator. The application is available in the Counseling Office, as well as a list of the colleges/universities whose engineering programs are ABET-accredited—which is most of the programs. Deadline: applications must be postmarked by January 16, 2009.

Las Casas Foundation Scholarships are available to high school seniors graduating in 2009 who in San Antonio and in surrounding communities within a 100 mile radius. Awards will be given in four categories—two in acting and two in music: monologue, duet monologue, solo voice and duet voice. Students will be able to compete in up to two categories. Scholarships will be awarded in \$2,000 to \$5,000 increments. The application can be downloaded at www.lascasasfoundation.org . Students will also submit a photo, a resume and a 500 word essay on the performing arts. The next step will be auditions. In January, Las Casas will hold an audition workshop for those students not experienced in auditioning. Auditions will take place April 16-19 at the Charline McCombs Empire Theater. Deadline: the application and other required items are due by January 23, 2009.

The McKelvey Foundation Entrepreneurial Scholarship award is available to all high school seniors who have demonstrated entrepreneurial spirit by owning and operating their own business for at least one year while in high school. To qualify students must be seniors graduating in Spring of 2009, planning on attending a 4-year college/university within the 50 U.S. states, own & operate a genuine business—non-profits are eligible, have at least one paid employee, and complete the online application by January 25, 2009. Scholarships are offered for up to \$10,000 per academic year for 4 years to any US college. Scholarship awardees are not selected on academic achievement or financial need. Awards are based solely on demonstration of entrepreneurial spirit. The application can be found at: www.mckelveyfoundation.org Deadline: January 25, 2009.

The Discover Scholarship Program awards diverse high school **JUNIORS** on their exemplary achievements in Leadership, Community Service while overcoming an Obstacle. Scholarships may be applied towards costs for college, university, specialized training or education beyond high school in any career path the winner chooses. Applications are available at www.discoverfinancial.com/community . Deadline: January 31, 2009.

The Carr P. Collins Scholars Program at Baylor University recognizes students who have proven leadership qualities, strong communication skills, and a commitment to campus and community service. Collins Scholars are awarded \$4,150 each year, renewable for four years. To be considered for the Collins Scholars Program, students must be in the top quarter of their graduating class, have a minimum score of 1250 (Cr. Rdg. + Math) on the SAT or a minimum Composite score on the ACT, and be a resident of the state of Texas for at least one year. The application is available online at www.baylor.edu/admissions/CarrPCollins or by contacting the Office of Academic Scholarships and Financial Aid at 1-800-Baylor-U, option 8-2. Deadline: the completed application packet must be postmarked no later than January 31, 2009.

Texas Student Housing Scholarship Application offers \$2,500 per year OFF-CAMPUS housing scholarship, renewable for up to four years. This scholarship is open to students accepted to colleges/universities in Austin, College Station, Denton or San Marcos, Texas who have NOT signed off-campus housing leases with a TSH facility managed by Asset Campus Housing. (Please note that Texas

State University and Texas Women's University typically do not permit Freshmen or Sophomore students to live off campus. The University of North Texas restricts Freshmen from living off-campus as well. Therefore, scholarships may be limited to upper-classmen at these universities.) Applications are available in the Counseling Office. Deadline: applications must be received at the TSHA office no later than January 31, 2009.

2009 PDK Prospective Educator Scholarship Program offers scholarships to students who intend to become educators. Eligible applicants are high school seniors intending to major in education. Applicants must submit the complete application, an essay, reference letters and their official high school transcript. Applications are available in the Counseling Office. Deadline: all application materials must be submitted to the Chapter office by February 1, 2009.

Angelo State University announces the **Carr Academic Scholarship** program for incoming freshmen. The Carr Academic Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis, with priority given to students of high academic ability. To compete favorably for a Carr Scholarship, high school seniors must: rank in the top 15 percent of their graduating class, and score a minimum 1140 SAT (combined Critical Reading and Math scores) or a minimum Composite Score of 25 on the ACT. These scholarships are renewable for up to 4 years. Applications and information are available online at www.angelo.edu, or by calling the Financial Aid office at 1-800-933-6299. Deadline: Applications and all supporting materials are due by February 1, 2009.

The School of Visual Arts (New York, NY) invites applications to the **Silas H. Rhodes Scholarship Program**—a scholarship competition for new students for the 2009-2010 school year. Entering freshmen with a minimum 3.0 GPA who are applying as full-time students are eligible to apply. Scholarship decisions are based on a review of the applicant's creative and academic accomplishments. In order to be considered, students must complete all admission requirements before the scholarship deadline. Applications are available at www.sva.edu. Deadline: all admission and scholarship materials must be submitted by February 1, 2009.

The University of Texas at San Antonio that the **Terry Foundation Scholarship Program** offers 16 new awards for fall 2009 averaging \$46,000 over a four year period. Applicants should demonstrate a record of leadership and service, have strong academic abilities (grades and test scores), have financial need, be citizens or Permanent Residents of the U.S., apply for admission to UTSA by February 1, 2009, apply for financial aid with the FAFSA by March 1, 2009 and apply for housing in Laurel Village by March 1, 2009. Application for the Terry Foundation Scholarship Program can be found online at <http://www.utsa.edu/terryscholars/> Deadline for application: February 1, 2009.

St. Edward's University (Austin, TX) announces their Premiere Scholarship Opportunities –the **Holy Cross Scholar Award** and the **Trustees Scholar Award**. Both of these scholarships require that all admission applications and supporting documents be received by the admission office by Feb. 1 in order for an eligible student to be considered. In addition, the Holy Cross Scholar Award also has an application that must also be received by the Admission Office by Feb. 1. For this application, go to: www.gotostedwards.com/meritawards.xml Deadline: February, 1, 2009.

St. Lawrence University's **Presidential Diversity Scholarship** is a 4-year \$80,000 scholarship awarded to students of African American, Asian American, Hispanic American or Native American heritage on the basis of academic achievement, leadership and service to community. In addition to the normal St. Lawrence application process, applicants are required to submit a supplemental essay of 200-500 words, responding to the following: "Describe an experience you have had that has led you to value diversity." Apply online by visiting www.stlawu.edu/admis/scholarship_app.html Deadline: admission application and the scholarship essay are due no later than Feb. 1, 2009.

The **Tuskegee Airmen Scholarship Foundation** will offer forty Educational Assistance Awards (minimum of \$1,000 each) to deserving young men and women; and one Pratt & Whitney Pratt Golden Eagle Award (\$20,000--\$5,000 per year for four years) to a student who can demonstrate a sincere aptitude for and pursuit of a career in aviation, aerospace technology or research. Applicants must be seniors who will be 2008-2009

high school graduates. Selection will be based on academic achievement, extra-curricular and community activities, relative financial need, recommendations, and essays. Applications are available in the Counseling Office. Deadline: application packets must be received by the local chapter office no later than February 2, 2009.

The Texas Tech **San Antonio Alumni Chapter Scholarship** will provide a number of \$1,000 scholarships to local students who will attend Texas Tech University during the fall of 2009. The selection of the scholarship recipients will be based upon many criteria, including but not limited to, their achievements in school, extracurricular activities, individual needs and goals for the future. Applications are available in the Counseling Office. Deadline: application packets must be received at the local chapter office by February 2, 2009.

The **Lackland Officers' Spouses' Club 2009 Scholarship** is now available for eligible students. Seniors are eligible if they are dependents of Armed Forces personnel who are permanently assigned at Lackland AFB (or have PCS'd from Lackland within six months prior to graduation date), retired, on remote assignment, or deceased. Applications and information about other required documents are available in the Counseling Office. Deadline: complete application packets must be postmarked no later than February 2, 2009.

2009 Burger King Scholars Program Scholarships will award \$1,000 scholarships! To be eligible to apply, a student must be a high school senior and a U.S. resident who has: maintained a GPA of 2.5 or higher, works part-time an average of 15 hours per week or works 40 weeks per year, is actively involved in community service activities, can demonstrate financial need, and plans to enroll in an accredited 2 or 4 year college, university, or vocational/technical school for Fall 2009. Applications are available at www.bk.com/scholars and use the Access Key: BKS. Deadline: applications must be postmarked by Feb. 2, 2009.

The Art Institute's International Culinary Schools **Best Teen Chef** competition will award tuition scholarships to the top nine competitors. Show off your distinctive flair and you could earn the opportunity to compete against some of the country's finest teenage culinary artists---and be named Best Teen Chef. For official rules visit: www.ArtInstitutes.edu/BTC Deadline: all entries must be received by February 6, 2009.

Texas Lutheran University's **Pacesetter Award for College Excellence (PACE)** is TLU's top scholarship and carries a monetary value of up to \$18,000 per year. A student must apply and be accepted for admissions by February 6, 2009 in order to be considered for the PACE scholarship. Students who meet the following criteria will be invited to the February 22 PACE Day of Exchange and Excellence: be accepted as a TLU student, have a high school GPA of 3.5 or higher, have an SAT/ACT composite score of 1250/28 or rank in the top 10 percent of your class with a minimum 1100/24 SAT/ACT composite score. For further information, visit www.tlu.edu or contact the Admissions Office at 800-771-8521. For the online admissions application visit www.tlu.edu/apply.

The University of Houston **Frontier Fiesta Association Scholarships** are available to students who show outstanding achievement in academics or service to the community. Scholarships range between \$500 and \$1,000 and are only available to students that attend the University of Houston in the Fall 2009 semester. Eligible students must be currently classified as a high school senior, must attend the University of Houston in the Fall 2009 semester, and must submit all their application materials in one envelope. Application brochures are available in the Counseling Office or online at www.uh.edu/fiesta . Deadline: application and materials must be received (in one envelope) by February 8, 2009.

2008 KFC Colonel's Scholars Program will award \$20,000 scholarships (\$5,000 per year for four years for tuition, fees, books or room/board). The program is dedicated to assisting students with financial need who plan to pursue a bachelor's degree at a public college/university within their legal state of residence. To qualify, a student must be: graduating from high school this school year, have a high school GPA of 2.75 or higher, must enroll in college/university for fall 2009, must be a U.S. citizen or Permanent Resident. Students selected as semi-finalists will be asked to provide additional supporting information including FAFSA information. The application can be found at www.kfcscholars.org . Deadline: February 10, 2009.

The Texas A & M Foundation Excellence Award scholarship is available to students who will be incoming freshmen at Texas A & M University-College Station. The scholarship ranges from \$2,000 to \$2,500 per year funded with private gifts from individuals and corporations to the Texas A & M Foundation. This award was created to provide scholarships to students from traditionally underrepresented groups, minorities and students from economically disadvantaged areas and educationally disadvantaged backgrounds. Applications are available in the Counseling Office and online at www.giving.tamu.edu . Deadline: applications must be received in the Texas A & M Foundation office or postmarked by February 13, 2009.

DECA Scholarships are available through DECA's National Advisory Board. A copy of the scholarship booklet which lists all of the scholarships is available in the Counseling Office. If you are a DECA member, come by and find out which scholarships are available to you. Deadline: February 13, 2009.

The University of Texas at San Antonio announces the **Presidential Honors Scholarships** with 20 awards for fall 2009 of \$6,000 over a four year period. To be eligible, incoming freshman for fall 2009 must meet one of the following: be top 10 percent of your high school class, have a minimum SAT score (Cr. Rdg. + Math) of 1100 OR minimum ACT composite score of 24, and you must enroll in the Honors College at UTSA. Scholarship applications are available at <http://www.utsa.edu/honors> Deadline to apply: February 15, 2009

The National Commission for Cooperative Education is pleased to announce and sponsor the 7th annual **National Co-op Scholarship Program**. The National Commission will award two hundred renewable merit scholarships of \$6,000 each. To be eligible for this program a student must apply and be accepted at one of the ten NCCE Partner Colleges and Universities: C.W. Post Campus of Long Island University, Johnson & Wales University, Northeastern University, University of Toledo, Drexel University, Kettering University, Pace University, University of Cincinnati, or Wentworth Institute of Technology. Applications and more information are available online at the NCCE website: www.co-op.edu Deadline: Application and essay are due no later than February 15, 2009. Early submission is strongly recommended.

RMHC (Ronald McDonald House Charities) Scholarship Program offers four individual scholarship programs: RMHC/Asian, RMHC/African American Future Achievers, RMHC/HACER (Hispanic American Commitment to Educational Resources), and RMHC Scholars. RMHC is proud to be able to help students who dream of going to college, but may not have the finances necessary to realize this dream. Last year these programs awarded over \$3.3 million to graduating high school students across the country. Applications are available in the Counseling Office or they can be downloaded from www.rmhc.org or you can link to an online application. Deadline: applications must be submitted by February 16, 2009.

Built Ford Tough Trucks and the National FFA Foundation Scholarship will provide two \$1,000 scholarships to local FFA seniors. All applications are online. Students will complete the application and then have an email sent to the FFA advisor for approval. After the FFA advisor approves the application, the student will be sent electronically a signature page to take the local Ford dealer, Grande Ford Truck Sales, to have signed. The application and information can be found at www.ffa.org . Deadline: online application must be complete and submitted by February 17, 2009. The signature page must be postmarked no later than February 23, 2009 will all required signatures to be considered eligible.

All American Scholar scholarship program is offered by [Catholic Life Insurance](http://www.cliu.com) to high school senior members entering college, university or trade school in fall 2009. Thirty \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to deserving students. To be eligible for this scholarship, students must be a Catholic Life Insurance member at the time of application and throughout the scholarship period. The student applying must be the insured. Applications are available in the Counseling Office or online at www.cliu.com . Deadline: applications and supporting documents must be received by March 2, 2009.

The **SA YES Foundation Scholarships** are available to students whose family household income is \$40,000 or less and who plan to attend a college, university or accredited educational program in San Antonio or surrounding counties (Atascosa, Bexar, Brooks, Comal, Dimmit, Frio, Guadalupe, Karnes, Kendall, Kerr, Maverick, Medina, Starr, Uvalde, Val Verde, and Zavala). The SA YES Foundation Scholarships can be used

for tuitions and supplies at four-year universities/colleges, junior colleges or approved career colleges/trade schools. The scholarships are renewable. Students who reside in any of the above listed counties and who meet the eligibility requirements may apply. Applications are available in the Counseling Office. Deadline: Application and all supporting materials are due no later than March 15, 2009.

The **Oklahoma University Club of San Antonio** is offering two \$1,000 scholarships to two outstanding south Texas high school seniors who plan to attend the University of Oklahoma. This scholarship is not based primarily on need, but it is a factor that may be considered. The application is available in the Counseling Office. Deadline: application and all supporting materials must be received by the OU Club of San Antonio Scholarship Chairman not later than March 15, 2009.

The Charles, Lela and Mary Slough Foundation Scholarship is receiving applications. Eligible applicants must have at least a 3.0 GPA, be a U.S. citizen, and be a Texas resident at the time of application. Students must submit the Slough Scholarship application, the results of their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), a one page essay, and provide an official copy of their high school transcript. Students who are awarded the Slough Scholarship will receive an award of \$5,000 a year for up to five years. The application is available in the Counseling Office or online at www.midland.edu/admissions/aid/forms/slough.pdf Deadline: must be postmarked no later than March 29, 2009.

The LULAC Council No. 2 **Rey Feo Scholarship** is once again offered to seniors in the San Antonio area. Last year 101 scholarships were awarded to students from 46 high schools. Please visit www.reyfeoscholarship.com to get an overview of the scholarship application process. There will be a few changes made to the "personal essay" portion by Jan. 10. Deadline: March 31, 2009.

The **Janice M. Scott Memorial Scholarship** is available for 2009-2010 college freshmen. To be eligible to apply you must be a U.S. citizen or a Permanent Resident, have a GPA of 2.5 or higher, enter college/university full-time in the fall of 2009, and have demonstrated leadership abilities through participating in community service, extra-curricular or other activities. Janice M. Scott was a victim of the 9/11 attack on the Pentagon. The essay topic for this scholarship is "What do Freedom and Justice Mean?". Applications are available in the Counseling Office. Deadline: complete application packets must be postmarked by March 31, 2009.

The **San Antonio A & M Club Foundation** will award four **Scholarships** to freshmen entering Texas A & M University at either the College Station or Galveston campus for the Fall 2009 semester. These scholarships are limited to those students defined by Texas A & M University as incoming freshman and graduating from a Bexar County high school or residing in Bexar County at the time of graduation. Clemens HS seniors who live in Bexar County are eligible to apply. Each scholarship will be awarded for four years at \$1,000 per year. Applications may be obtained and printed from the following web site: www.aggiepark.com Deadline: applications must be received by 5pm, April 14, 2009 at the address indicated on the web site.

The Fashion Institute of Design and Merchandizing (FIDM) (Los Angeles, CA) offers their **National Scholarship Competition** which awards over \$300,000 in scholarships. Six students who demonstrate an exceptional talent and interest in Fashion Design, Visual Communication, Interior Design, Digital Media, Fashion Merchandizing, or Graphic Design will each win a one-year scholarship to attend FIDM. Application information can be found at www.FIDM.edu . Deadline: April 30, 2009.

The following sites were provided by a local college:

Internet Scholarship search resources

Databases:

College Net	www.collegenet.com
Fastweb	www.fastweb.com
Free Scholarship Search	www.freschinfo.com

SRN Express
USA Funds
Wired Scholar
Scholarship Search
Free College Scholarships and
Financial Aid Information

www.srnexpress.com
www.usafunds.org
www.wiredscholar.com
www.college-scholarships.com

www.scholarships.com

Scholarship Websites:

Accounting Scholarship
Ambassadorial
American Council of the Blind
American Geological Institute
Geoscience Scholarship
American Institute of Architects
American Psychological Association
American Society for Microbiology
Americorps
Association Graduate Funding
Brand Essay Competition
Coca-Cola Two Year college
College Fund
Discover Card Tribute Award
Elks National Foundation
Federal Scholarship & Aid Gateway
FinAid
Gateway to 10 Free Scholarships
Gateways to US Government Grants
Holocaust Remembrance
Imagine
International Students Scholarships
and Aid Help
International Students
Lucent Technology
Microsoft Scholarship Program
NACME Scholarship Program
National Alliance for Excellence
Presidential Freedom
Rhodes Scholarships at Oxford
Ronald McDonald House Charities
Sallie Mae's Free Online
Scholarships & Grants
Scholarships for Study in
Paralegal Studies
Siemens Westinghouse Competition
Student Inventors
Target Scholarship
The Harry S. Truman Scholarship
Tylenol Scholarships
United States Institute of Peace
William Randolph Hearst Endowed

www.aicpa.org
www.rotary.org
www.abctexas.org

www.agiweb.org
www.archfoundation.org
www.apa.org
www.asm.org
www.cns.gov
www.asanet.org
www.instituteforbrandleadership.org
<https://www.coca-colascholars.org/cokeWeb/jsp/scholars/Index.jsp>
www.uncf.org
www.aasa.org
www.elks.org/enf/scholars/ourscholarships.cfm
www.fedmoney.org
www.finaid.org
www.college-scholarships.com
www.students.gov
www.holocaust.hklaw.com
www.imagine-america.org

www.iefa.org
www.internationalstudents.com
www.lucent.com
www.microsoft.com/college/scholarships
www.nacme.org
www.excellence.org
www.nationalservice.org
www.rhodesscholar.org
www.rmhc.com
www.salliemae.com
www.elclick.com

www.paralegals.org
www.siemens-foundation.org
www.invent.org
http://target.com/target_group/community_giving/scholarships.jhtml
www.truman.org
www.scholarship.tylenol.com
www.usip.org
www.apsanet.org

Scholarships for women:

AAUW
Texas Conference for Women

www.aauw.org
<http://www.txconferenceforwomen.org/scholarships.php>

Zonta International www.zonta.org

Scholarships for minorities:

Gates Millennium Scholarship www.gmsp.org
GE and LuLac www.lulac.org
Hispanic College Fund www.hispanicfund.org
Hispanic Scholarship Fund www.hsf.net
Hispanic Scholarship Guide www.hispanicscholarship.com
Jackie Robinson Foundation www.jackierobinson.org
Minority Health Program www.ahcpr.gov
Ron Brown Scholarship www.ronbrown.org
Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund www.thurgoodmarshallfund.org
United Negro College Fund www.uncf.org

Scholarship for children of military personnel:

AFCEA International www.afcea.org/awards/scholarships.htm
Air Force Aid Society www.afas.org
Army Emergency Relief www.aerhq.org
Fisherhouse www.fisherhouse.org
Marine Corps Scholarships www.marine-scholars.org
Military Page www.military.com
Navy Marine Corps Relief www.nmcrcs.org
ROTC Scholarship www.todaymilitary.com

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