



# SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE

MARCH 2011



The **guidance office** has received information about the following scholarship opportunities. Most are found on-line. However, if an email address is not listed, a hard copy of the scholarship application can be found in the “scholarship filing cabinet” located in the guidance office. Most scholarships can be completed and submitted on your own. However, see your counselor if you have any questions, or if your transcript or letters of recommendation are required. Please do not remove the last copy of any scholarships. We will be happy to make more copies.

**Buick Achievers Scholarship Program** is offering 100 scholarships open to seniors who plan to attend a 4 year college or university, plant a major in one of the following: Science, Technology, Engineering, Math, Business Administration, Finance, Marketing, or Design. Each award is up to \$25,000 per year. Go to [www.buickachievers.com](http://www.buickachievers.com) for an application. **Deadline: March 31.**

**Christine Feenstra Memorial Scholarship** will be given in memory and tribute to Christine Feenstra, a past Kittatinny student. Senior girls who plan to attend a four year colleges and rank in the top 1/3 of their class are eligible. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: May 3.**

**ETS Employees’ Community Action Fund Scholarship Program** is offering awards valued up to \$5,000 to seniors who intend to pursue a vocational/technical career OR a 2 or 4 year degree. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: April 1.**

**Fredon Township** offers three scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 to high school juniors and seniors who are residents of Fredon, New Jersey and plan to continue their education after high school. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: March 11.**

**Foster and Adoptive Family Services** offers scholarships and grants to foster/adopted high school seniors who are or have been under the care of the Division of Youth and Family Services (DYFS). Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: March 18.**

**Gregg Bitondo Memorial Foundation Scholarship** will be awarding a \$2,000 scholarship to one student at Kittatinny who has best demonstrated the attributes of determination and leadership in athletics. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: April 29.**

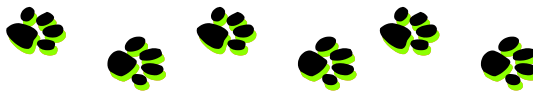
**Hampton Township Educational Foundation Scholarship** will be awarding a \$1,500 scholarship to a Hampton resident, who is a high school senior with a GPA average of 2.5 or better. The candidate must work or volunteer an average of 5 hrs/week (this could include having a summer job). Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: May 7.**

**Herbert J. Hull & Geneva S. Hull Scholarship Fund** offers three scholarships to high school seniors who are pursuing a career in conservation (environmental science, ecology, wildlife management, or the preservation and enhancement of our national resources and environment). Awards have been between \$500 and \$3,000 per recipient. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: May 1.**

**Jewish Vocational Service** administers a Scholarship Loan Program for Jewish residents of the areas served by the United Jewish Federation of MetroWest. Annual interest-free loans of up to \$5,000 may be granted to eligible applicants. Information is available in the guidance office. **Deadline: May 13.**

**Jewish War Veterans of the U.S.A.** is offering this award to an outstanding high school senior Scholar-Athlete in Morris, Passaic or Sussex County. This award honors the memory of the eleven members of the Israeli Olympic team who were brutally slain at the XX Olympics held in Munich, Germany in 1972. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: April 15.**

**John L. Crawn Memorial Fund Scholarship** offers one scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 to graduating seniors from Newton, Kittatinny or Sussex Tech who plan to pursue a post-high school education and have a GPA of 2.5 or above. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: April 29.**



**John M. Pritsch Scholarship** offers scholarships to graduating high school seniors who play on their high school golf team, want to pursue a career in a golf-related field and who qualify for admission to an accredited undergraduate college or university. As of today, they have awarded over \$117,000,000 in scholarships to deserving high school students. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: May 25.**

**National Contract Management Association**, Picatinny Chapter is offering scholarships to seniors who intend to pursue a future in Business or the Law profession. Scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$500. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: April 5.**

**New Jersey Center for Tourette Syndrome** offers a scholarship award to a New Jersey high school senior who has been diagnosed with Tourette Syndrome and will continue his or her education at a college or trade school in the fall. Amount of award is based on achievement. Go to [www.njcts.org](http://www.njcts.org) to apply. **Deadline: April 1.**

**New Jersey Chronic Fatigue Syndrome** offers a scholarship award in the amount of \$1,000 to a New Jersey high school graduating senior who has been diagnosed with ME/CFS. Go to <http://njcfsa.org> to apply. **Deadline: April 1.**

**New Jersey Retirees' Education Association** is offering 2 scholarships: 1. A renewable scholarship award in the amount of \$500 to a New Jersey high school graduating senior who has been accepted by a community college (2 year) and has a GPA of 2.5 or higher. 2. A renewable scholarship award in the amount of \$1,000 to a New Jersey high school graduating senior, is in the top 10% of their class, and has been accepted to a 4 year college. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: April 15.**

**New Jersey Sharing Network Foundation** is offering the Benjamin R. Chirls Scholarship in the amount of \$3,000 (\$1,500 per semester) to an organ, tissue or eye donor, transplant recipient, donor family member or awareness advocate. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: May 26.**

**Northern New Jersey Chapter of the National Kitchen and Bath Association** is offering (3) \$1,500 Scholarships for the 2011-2012 academic year to high school students interested in pursuing a career in design. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: May 1.**

**Northwest Jersey Reading Council** will be awarding a \$250 Book Scholarship to a graduating senior from Sussex County, has a 3.0 GPA or higher. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: April 18.**

**Pass it Along** is offering the 2011 Annual Sligo West Scholarship to one senior from each high school in Sussex County. The award amount is between \$500 and \$1,000. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: April 12.**

**Sussex County Chamber of Commerce** is offering four scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$2,000 to seniors pursuing full-time post-secondary education, shows need, and has consistently demonstrated good character and strong academics. An essay is required. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: April 1.**

**Sussex County Education Association** is offering (2) scholarships in the amount of \$1,500.00 and \$1,000.00 to deserving high school seniors who plans to pursue a career in education. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: April 8.**

**Sussex County School Nurses Association** is offering (2) Book Scholarships in the amount of \$500 each to deserving high school seniors who plans to pursue a career in the nursing profession. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: April 1.**

**VFW Scholarship** is offering (3) scholarships in the amount of \$500.00 to seniors from Newton, Kittatinny, and Sussex Tech, who plan to pursue post-high school education, and have a GPA of 2.5 or above. An essay is required. Applications are available in the guidance office. **Deadline: April 29.**

### ***Helpful websites:***

Check out [www.cappex.com](http://www.cappex.com) to get student reviews of over 3,000 colleges, discover your admissions chances at any college and find \$11 billion in merit scholarships.

To find and apply for more scholarships check out: [www.studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm](http://www.studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm)

# Mark your Calendars!



**The Senior Awards Night is scheduled for Monday, June 6.**

Seniors are urged to fill out scholarship applications. Many scholarships include essays and are time consuming; however, the end result can be very rewarding. Many times scholarship opportunities are not taken advantage of. Please make the time and put in the extra effort to fill out applications that fit your profile. Parents and students should feel free to browse our “scholarship file” located in the guidance office.

*“In order to win it, you have to be in it.”*

**ADDITIONAL REMINDERS:**



We are in the “acceptance and decision” period of the college application process. You need to be aware of a few important items...

## **For Seniors**

- Review any admissions status letters you have received. Most colleges have a reply date of May 1. After making your decision and sending in your acceptance reply, you should write to the other colleges that have also accepted you. Let them know that you will not be attending. This allows them to accept other students off their waiting list.
- Review financial aid information with your parents. Send in any necessary paperwork.
- Complete and return any summer orientation materials sent by your chosen college.
- Return any requested housing contract information.
- Send thank you letters to the people who wrote you letters of recommendation.
- Keep your guidance counselor informed about your final school choice.
- Keep up your grades, at the end of the school year, your final transcript will be automatically sent to the college you plan to attend.
- Begin preparations on the list of people to whom you will send graduation announcements. More information will be mailed home in May, **tentative date**, pending any other school day cancellations is Tuesday, June 21.

## For Parents

- Review financial aid award letters with your senior.
- Provide any payments necessary for housing contracts, summer orientation programs, or other fees for your senior.
- Encourage your teenager to make plans for summer jobs and volunteer activities.
- If applicable, encourage your teen to study for upcoming Advanced Placement exams.
- Assist with the completion of any college paperwork that must be filed by May 1.
- Assist your senior with the preparation of graduation announcements and plans. At this point, graduation is tentatively set for Tuesday, June 21. Graduation, Project Graduation and ticket information will be mailed home in May. If you have any questions, call Laurie Ryan at ext. 1140.

## \*\*\*Reminders for Sussex County Community College Students\*\*\*

**Fall 2011 incoming freshman** students should have received their acceptance letters by now. If you need to take the placement exam, please call the Learning Center located at the college at **(973) 300-2150** to set up an appointment to complete the test(s). For those of you who need to take the placement exams, you must do so before you schedule your classes.

**Scheduling** for the fall semester will begin on April 18. Stop in at the **Counseling Center** to meet with a counselor and select your courses for the fall semester. Don't wait until the last minute, classes fill up and may not be offered when you want them. Call **(973) 300-2207** to check their hours of operation. Appointments are not necessary. They work on a first come first served bases.

If you have not filled out your **FAFSA form** and need some help, feel free to call the **Financial Aid Office** at the college at **(973) 300-2225** to schedule an appointment. They can help you through the process.

**Directions and information can also be found at: [www.sussex.edu](http://www.sussex.edu)**