

SCHOLARSHIPS

January 2026



Financial Aid Information

FAFSA® 2026–27 Now Available

The 2026–27 FAFSA form is now available for all students. Complete the form to apply for financial aid for college, career school, or graduate school.

General Scholarship Information

Please check the following databases for scholarship opportunities:

New scholarships are posted to these websites weekly, so be sure to check early and often for new scholarship opportunities.

- <https://www.petersons.com/>
- <https://www.unigo.com/scholarships/our-scholarships>
- <https://www.fastweb.com/>
- <https://www.eduinreview.com/scholarships>
- <https://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarships-by-state/michigan-scholarships/>
- <https://www.road2college.com/>
- <https://studentscholarships.org>

Local Rockford Scholarships

Rockford Scholarship Application

Awards: vary

The Rockford Chamber of Commerce wants to promote education in the local area. This year six \$1500 scholarships will be awarded to be used for public/private/community college or trades programs. Go to rockfordmichamber.com/scholarships to apply.

Due: March 31, 2026

Calvin University Named Scholarships

Community funded scholarships that honor your story. A form of gift aid that does not need to be repaid– just one of the many ways Calvin helps you. Go to the following link to apply.

<https://calvin.edu/financial-aid/types-aid/named-scholarships>

Deadline January 20, 2026

Choice One Scholarship

Designed to provide need-based scholarships for graduation seniors in the communities we serve. Up to eighteen \$1000 scholarships will be awarded in total.

All applications must be submitted here: <https://ww2.choiceone.bank/scholarship>

Deadline March 8, 2026

Arbor Financial Scholarship

The Arbor Financial Scholarship Program is awarding ten \$2000 scholarships to high school seniors. To learn more visit: arborfcu.org/scholarships

Deadline February 1, 2026

Roger B. Chaffee Scholarship

Presented to an outstanding senior from a Kent ISD high school that intends to pursue a college career in engineering, mathematics or a science related to space technology. \$7,500 renewable for 3 years. Applications available at www.rogerbchaffeescholarship.org

Deadline February 27, 2026 by 4pm

Regional Scholarships

The MEA (Michigan Education Association) Scholarship

This scholarship is for a dependent of an MEA member or an MEA-Retired member in good standing.

For more information and to apply: <https://mea.org/mea-scholarship/>

The deadline to apply is February 12, 2026

Michigan Scholarships

A Michigan scholarship is an award given to a student who is either from Michigan or who is attending school there. Some scholarships may require that students be both from Michigan and attend school in Michigan, while others may only have one type of residency requirement.

Michigan Scholarships can be found at:

<https://www.scholarships.com/financial-aid/college-scholarships/scholarships-by-state/michigan-scholarships/>

National Scholarships

The JFK Library Foundation "Profile in Courage" Essay Contest

Visit <https://www.jfklibrary.org/learn/education/profile-in-courage-essay-contest> for additional information. The top scholarship is awarded \$10,000, and other scholarships are given for 2nd and 3rd place (plus, winners receive an expense-paid trip to Boston for the recognition ceremony).

Students 9th-12th are welcome to submit!

Opens: September 1, 2025

Deadline: January 12, 2026

