

Scholarship Bulletins are on-line at <http://lhs.citrussschools.org>

Please read the following list carefully. If you feel that you are eligible to apply for any of the opportunities, please feel free to pick up an application at Guidance or access the list on the schools website which is listed above. If you are unable to find an application or know of any opportunities that are not listed below, please notify or share with Ms. Wiczorek in Guidance Department. Thank you!

Remember to **READ** the scholarship **CAREFULLY** and **FOLLOW ALL DIRECTIONS** that are listed on the application. Failure to do so, maybe the loss of that scholarship opportunity. So, please read **ALL** the information. If you have any questions or clarifications on the different opportunities, please feel free to contact Ms. Wiczorek in Guidance.

Students: Please remember that you are **RESPONSIBLE** for mailing out your own applications, unless stated otherwise on the scholarship bulletin or application. In fairness to all applicants, applications must be submitted in accordance with the established deadlines.

TIPS: Many of our local scholarship organizations request the following attachments to their applications. These items should be **prepared in advance** and be available to attach to your applications:

- 1.) **One to three letters of recommendation** (Maybe from a teacher, coach, counselor, employer, or church / community member familiar with you and your community activities.) (Ask permission to copy letters and keep them on file for further use.)
- 2.) **A Resume** Detail your activities, awards, accomplishments, and community service throughout your high school career. (Make copies and keep them on file for further use.)
- 3.) **An Essay** (Brief, one-page) Include:
 - * Outline your goals for the future, your family dynamics, and how your family will be impacted if you do not receive any financial help for college
 - * Write a paragraph about your community service; how it impacted you and those you helped; and your intent or viewpoint concerning your future involvement in community service
 - * Mention your work ethic - at home, at school, outside of school.

*** **KEEP YOUR ESSAY ON YOUR COMPUTER...READY TO ADJUST FOR DIFFERENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**
- 4.) **Transcript - READ CAREFULLY** - If your scholarship application is to be turned in to the Guidance Department, the transcript will be attached for you. If your application and transcript are to be mailed/submitted by you, complete a transcript request form at least one week **BEFORE** it is due.

February 2017 Deadline

Florida State University - The Young Scholars Program

Juniors - Are you interested in Science and Math careers? FSU's Young Scholars Program is offering a prestigious six-week residential summer science and mathematics experience for outstanding students of Florida's public and private high schools. Highly qualified students who meet the eligibility requirements detailed on the website. Room, board and tuition are provided for every admitted student, funded by FSU. Students with significant financial need may also apply for supplemental program stipend. To qualify for acceptance into the program, applicants **MUST**: maintain at least a 3.0 GPA (unweighted); have received a score in the 90th percentile or better in math or nationally standardized exam; be enrolled in or have completed Pre-Calculus; be able to commit for the entire six weeks of the program (no exceptions will be made for travel to other summer internship opportunities, sports camp, Mu Alpha Theta, etc.); and maintain a permanent residence in the state of Florida.

The deadline for submission is Wednesday, February 15, 2017.

Visit: <http://www.bio.fsu.edu/ysp/>

Homosassa Lions Club

Planning to major in the health care field? Examples: Eye sight preservation, hearing impaired, the mentally challenged, or speech, physical or occupational therapy. Students must have at least a 2.5 GPA. This scholarship is worth \$1,000. Only Lecanto or Homosassa residents may apply. Applications can be picked up in the Guidance Department.

The deadline for submission is Friday, February 24, 2017 and must be turned into GUIDANCE.

Spectrum Sports Scholarship

The Spectrum Sports Scholarship is being awarded to one male and one female high school seniors who excel in athletics and academics. This is a one-time scholarship valued at \$2,500. Applicants must be a high school senior; attend a high school within the Spectrum Sport viewing area; have a minimum GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale (unweighted); and have participated in athletics while in high school. Applications are available in Guidance.

The deadline for submission is Saturday, February 25, 2017.

Visit: <http://www.myspectrumsports.com>

February 2017 Deadline continued...

Citrus Hills Women's Club Scholarship

\$1,000 Scholarship - Applicants must be students of Lecanto High School and rank in the top 25% of their class. Please pick up the application in Guidance.

The deadline for submission is Monday, February 27, 2017 and must be turned into GUIDANCE.

Women of Sugarmill Woods, Inc.

(Two Different Applications Below for this Sponsor)

CF Foundation Endowment Scholarship - \$1,000

Eligibilities for this scholarship are as follows: Attend College of Central Florida, 3.0 or higher grade point average, and financial need

General Scholarship - \$1,000

Eligibilities for this scholarship are as follows: Attend a 2 yr or 4 yr Florida accredited college, university or technical program working toward a degree, 2.8 or higher grade point average, and financial need

The deadline for submission is Monday, February 27, 2017 and must be turned into GUIDANCE.

Aaron A. Weaver Chapter 776 MOPH Scholarship

Aaron A. Weaver Chapter 776 Military Order of the Purple Heart (MOPH) is pleased to announce its Chapter 776 College of Central Florida (CF) Endowed Scholarship that awards \$1,000 to an applicant accepted or enrolled at CF as a full time student (12 or more semester credit hours) during Academic Year 2017/2018.

The Chapter 776 scholarship information and application can be obtained in the Guidance Department; online at www.citruspurpleheart.org or by calling 352-382-3847.

Chapter 776 must receive scholarship applications NO Later than 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, February 28, 2017.

Lecanto High School Alumni Association Scholarship

The Lecanto High School Alumni Association is offering a scholarship. Requirement for the scholarship are: being a 2017 Lecanto High School graduate; and attend a Florida College or Trade School full-time.

Submit completed application to Ms. Newton in Attendance by Tuesday, February 28, 2017.

American Irish Club West Citrus County

The American Irish Club of West Citrus County is offering a scholarship. Requirements for this scholarship are: write a brief biographical statement about yourself; an official transcript; attach resume; and 3 letters of recommendations.

The deadline for submission is Tuesday, February 28, 2017 and must be turned into GUIDANCE.

March 2017 Deadline

GFWC Women's Club of Inverness

A \$1,000 Scholarship for a FEMALE student at the College of Central Florida, Citrus. Requirements for this scholarship are: a current transcript; a copy of your ACT/SAT scores; and your personal statement. Applications are available in Guidance.

The deadline for submission is Wednesday, March 1, 2017.

Business Women's Alliance - Citrus County Chamber of Commerce (Female Students)

\$1,000 scholarship for ONLY FEMALE students. Need to provide proof of acceptance for enrollment at an accredited university, college, or technical school in Florida, Have a GPA of 2.5 or better (non-GED students), demonstrate family financial need, and be a Citrus County resident and graduating.

The deadline for submission is Friday, March 3, 2017 in Guidance or to the BWA.

WREC Educational Foundation Inc.

The WREC Educational Foundation is pleased to present its annual scholarship. This scholarship will be awarded to an individual who is pursuing an undergraduate degree at an accredited college, university, or technical school within the state of Florida. Applicant must be a dependent of a Cooperative member and have a minimum GPA of 2.0 or above.

The deadline for submission is Friday, March 3, 2017.

Spanish American Club of Citrus County, Inc.

Candidates do not have to be of Hispanic descent to apply for this scholarship. This is a one-time scholarship which is worth \$1,000. They are looking for students that have a GPA of 3.0 or higher.

The deadline for submission is Monday, March 6, 2017 in Guidance.

Take Stock in Children/Ronald McDonald House Scholarship for 10th Graders

Take Stock in Children partnered with Ronald McDonald House to award a 2 year tuition free scholarship to one 10th Grader in Citrus County. To apply for this scholarship, the student must meet these requirements: be enrolled in the 10th grade in a Citrus County Public School; have good grades; regularly attend schools; have a good school discipline record/ be drug, alcohol and crime-free; meet federal low-income eligibility criteria; qualify for free or reduced lunch; and complete the application & have a reference form completed by a teacher or Guidance Counselor. Each student who participates in the program is provided with a trained mentor who meets with students once a week in school. Stop by Guidance to pick up an application or go online.

The deadline for submission is Friday, March 10, 2017 in Guidance or mail directly address provided.

Visit: <http://www.takestockcitrus.org>

Citrus County School Food Service Association

Citrus County School Food Service Association is offering a school scholarship. The requirement for this scholarship are: Economic need; 3.0 - 3.5 GPA; intended course of study (Nutrition and Food Service preferred, but will consider all applications); child of a citrus county school food service employee will receive priority consideration; and demonstrated incentive and motivation.

The deadline for submission is Tuesday, March 21, 2017 in Guidance.

March 2017 Deadline continued...

Fort Cooper Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution - Local Scholarship for Female Students

In 2017 Fort Cooper Chapter DAR is offering a \$1,000 scholarship for a graduating senior woman. Applicants must be a resident of Citrus County who has been accepted at an accredited U.S. college or university and demonstrate considerable financial need.

The deadline for submission is Wednesday, March 15, 2017.

Visit: <http://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships/general-info>

CCEA Student Scholarship 2017

The Citrus County Education Association (CCEA) is offering a \$750 scholarship to a graduating senior of a parent or guardian that is a CCEA member. The scholarship application will be available in Guidance.

The deadline for submission is Wednesday, March 29th in Guidance or you may hand deliver or mail the application by Thursday, March 30th to Citrus High School.

"Campus Crime Stopper Scholarship"

What a \$500 scholarship?!? Can you write a 300-word essay on the efforts you have made to succeed and how you have worked to make your campus or community safer? Just pick up an application form in Guidance.

The deadline for submission is Friday, March 31, 2017 in Guidance.

Citrus County Education Foundation (CCEF) - 5 Scholarships

Citrus County Education Foundation has 5 scholarships for our students this year. **Suncoast Credit Union** (Total of 3 District Wide) - \$2,000; **Citrus Hills Civic Association Memorial Scholarship** (Only 1 student residing in the Villages of Citrus Hills) - \$1,000; **Thelma DeLay and Nancy Dodge Memorial Scholarship** - (The applicant must demonstrate an aptitude and interest in one of the visual arts, and must document serious interest in pursuing further studies in the field of art) - \$1,000; **Ted & Marilyn Summa Memorial Music Scholarship** (LHS students Only & a passion for music by participating in band, orchestra, or color guard for a minimum of 4 years) - (2) \$500 & (4) \$250; and **Barbieri-Hunt Scholarship** (LHS students Only - Merit based Scholarship). Come to Guidance or go online for the applications.

The deadline for submission is Friday, March 31, 2017 in Guidance or you may hand deliver or mail the application by Monday, April 3rd to Ms. Karen Stofcheck in Inverness.

Visit: <http://scholarshipscitruseducationfdn.wikispaces.com/>

Citrus County Veterans Coalition

The Citrus County Veterans Coalition is offering an Educational Scholarship or Grant for students enrolled as full time students (12 credit hours) in an accredited Florida university, junior college, college or vocational school. Eligibility: 1.) Applicant must be a military veteran or related to an U.S. military veteran or an active duty member of the U. S. military branch of service to include the National Guard or military reserve units. 2.) Applicant must be a resident of Citrus County and be enrolled in or currently taking a course of study, which will result in graduation from an accredited Florida university, junior college, college or vocational school. The CCVC student scholarship program is worth \$1,000. Stop by Guidance and pick up the scholarship application.

The deadline for submission is Friday, March 31, 2017 in Guidance.

Visit: <http://www.citruscountyveteranscoalition.org> or email citrusvets@yahoo.com

The Citrus Community Concert Choir

Annual \$1,500 Scholarship opportunity to qualified students residing in Citrus County who wish to further their education in the music arts (vocal or instrumental). For more information visit the website below or contact (352) 212-1746.

The deadline for submission is Friday, March 31, 2017.

Visit: <http://www.citruschoir.com>

Citrus Garden Club

\$1,000 Scholarship to be awarded to a Citrus County High School Senior. Planning to continue their education and, at the same time, maintain an interest in the environment. Applications are available in Guidance.

The deadline for submission is Friday, March 31, 2017.

Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Gerald A. Shonk Chapter 70, Inc.

The Gerald A. Shonk, Chapter 70 of the DAV is offering an educational scholarship for students enrolled as full time students (12 credit hours) in an accredited Florida University, Junior College, College or Vocational school. Applicants must be related to a US military veteran or active duty member of any US Military branch of service to include National Guard or Military Reserve Units. Applicant must be a resident of Citrus County and be enrolled in or currently taking a course of study, which will result in graduation from an accredited Florida University, Junior College, College or Vocational school. The residency requirement shall be waived for any direct descendant of a living or deceased DAV Chapter 70 member or prior member. Remember Applications that are NOT complete or are NOT received by the announcement deadline, will not be considered.

The deadline for submission is Friday, March 31, 2017.

Homosassa Civic Club, Inc. - Beri Hargerty-Phelps Memorial Scholarship

Applicants **MUST** live within the Homosassa Elementary School District and/or Homosassa Special Water District. Applicants need: current transcript; 3 references; and personal essay (300 words or less).

The deadline for submission is Friday, March 31, 2017.

March 2017 Deadline *continued...*

The Nature Coast Chapter of Americans United for Separation of Church and State

\$300 Scholarship for a student essay contest. This scholarship is open to all junior and seniors in Citrus County public schools. The topic is, "Why the First Amendment Principle of Separation of Church and State is Vital to Our Country Today." The essay must be 300-600 words, germane to the topic, and include supporting evidence and a summary. Essays must be clearly identified with the writer's name, address, phone, email, grade, and school. Come to Guidance to receive more information.

The deadline for submission must be post marked Friday, March 31, 2017.

SeaWorld Orlando Environmental Scholarship

The Sea World Scholarship program is now available. This scholarship is for the Environmental scholarship program. They are looking for seniors who have a GPA of 3.0 or higher. This will be a one-time awarded \$5,000 scholarship for any college or university you plan on attending. So stop by Guidance and pick up an information sheet or check out their website.

The deadline for submission is Friday, March 31, 2017.

Visit: <https://seaworldparks.com/en/seaworld-orlando/educational-programs/scholarships>

The VFW Auxiliary 10087 Young American "Creative Patriotic Art Awards"

Are you a LSA student or are in an art class this school year? The VFW Auxiliary 10087 is announcing the annual Young American Creative Patriotic Art contest. Students 9th through 12th grade have the opportunity to compete for \$21,000 in national scholarships. Students must submit an original piece of artwork on canvas. Watercolor, pencil, pastel, charcoal, tempera, acrylic, pen & ink, or oil may be used. NO digital art or photography will be accepted. Must also have your teacher's signature. For more information please contact John Garvey @ 352-746-5215 or jlgarvey4975@embarqmail.com. Please pick up the application in Guidance or visit their site on-line.

The deadline for submission is Friday, March 31, 2017.

Visit: <https://vfwauxiliary.org/scholarships/young-american-creative-patriotic-art-contest>

April 2017 Deadline

The Afro-American Club of Citrus County

Criteria and guidelines are as follows: A resident of Citrus County and a graduating student of any state recognized educational operation (i.e. public high school, private, parochial or certified home school situation); application package must include an accredited university, college, or technical school acceptance. Proof of college acceptance by May 1st; Open to all seniors with 2.5 GPA or higher; applicant must have reasonably acceptable school attendance record; 300 word essay; information on any honors, extra-curricular activities, hobbies and community service; and financial need.

The deadline for submission is Saturday, April 1, 2017.

Visit: <http://www.afro-americanclub.org>

First United Methodist Church (Homosassa) - The Kathryn O. Mitchell Grant

Looking to become a United Methodist Minister, Christian Education Director, Church Music Director or even a career as a doctor, nurse or social worker? This Grant might be for you. Applications are in the Guidance Department.

The deadline for submission is Saturday, April 1, 2017.

Alpha Gamma Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha International Scholarship

Are you planning on attending Central Florida College? This scholarship maybe for you. The requirements for this scholarship are: 1.) Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher 2.) Copy of official transcript attached 3.) An essay 4.) A list of community service activities during high school 5.) Three letters of recommendation 6.) List of other scholarships you have applied for. Stop by Guidance to pick up the application.

The deadline for submission is Friday, April 21, 2017.

May 2017 Deadline

Fort Cooper Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution - State Scholarship for Female Students

Florida State Society Daughters of the American Revolution (FSSDAR) offers scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$1,000 for a graduating senior, male or female, attending an accredited college or university either in Florida or out of state.

The deadline for submission is Friday, May 5, 2017.

Visit: <http://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships/general-info>

SunTrust - Off To College Scholarship

Enter to win a \$500 scholarship during the SunTrust 12th annual "Off To College Scholarship Sweepstakes". This scholarship is to help cover education expenses. Two \$500 scholarship winners will be randomly chosen every two weeks beginning October 28, 2016. Applications must be filled out on-line. Stop by Guidance to pick up more information or visit their website.

The deadline for submission is Friday, May 12, 2017.

Visit: <http://www.suntrusteducation.com/scholarship-sweepstakes/index.html>

Check out this website for more scholarships!

Visit: <http://www.studentscholarships.org>

(Paper copy is also available in Guidance. Deadlines vary with different scholarships.)

****Don't forget to check out the Citrus County Chronicle every Wednesday's in the Education section under Scholarships and Contests****

Other Information

Need-blind Admission (Worth Looking At)

Need-Blind Admission is for those who can not afford going to college. There are certain colleges that will help you with your admission to their schools financial costs. The colleges might pay for your full admission or partial admission. Come to Guidance and pick up the information or go online and type in the search "Need-blind Admissson". Look under Wikipedia.

Jtech Institute

Interested in Automotive & Diesel Technology or being a transportation professional? Look no further than Jtech Institute. They have scholarships available. Come see Ms. Wiczorek in Guidance for further information.

Tenaj Salon Institute

Interested in being a Cosmetology Professional? Tenaj Salon Institute is looking for you. Please see Ms. Wiczorek in Guidance for more information.

Florida Shines

Heading to college? Preparing for college can be overwhelming. Want to check your progress toward graduation...Research colleges and universities... Explore degree programs... View admissions requirements... Create a career plan and more?

Visit: <http://www.floridashines.org>

College Financial Aid Advice (Scholarships)

Looking for the best college financial aid advice for 2016 or 2017? From grants and **scholarships** to student loans, they can help guide you. Consider them your **FREE** college financial aid consultant. They have some **Great College Scholarship Lists** that are **FREE** to browse, and they never request any personal information from you! Check out their website or stop by Guidance and pick up an information packet with some of their scholarships.

Visit: <http://www.college-financial-aid-device.com>

The Common Application

Check out this website and save time with the Common Application. Apply to many of the best private colleges and universities with just one application through commonapp.org. Make your college application process easy with just one common application used at more than 450 schools in the U.S. and Europe.

Visit: <http://www.commonapp.org>

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Visit: <http://www.fastweb.com>

Scholarships from Military Sources

If you plan on going into the Military, here is a website for you to check out some scholarships.

Visit: <http://www.collegescholarships.org/scholarships/military-students.htm>

The Florida State University: Young Scholars Program

The Young Scholars Program (YSP) is a six-week residential science and mathematics summer program for Flodia high school students with significant potential for careers in the fields of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. The program is designed for students who have completed the eleventh grade in Florida public or private high school. A few exceptional qualified and matured tenth graders have been selected in the past years, through this is equite rare. To be considered for acceptance, applicants must: 1.) maintain at least a 3.0 GPA (unweighted) 2.) Have received a score in the 90th percentile or better in math on a nationally standardized exam (i.e., SAT, PSAT, ACT, or PLAN) before the application deadline 3.) Be enrolled in or have completed Pre-Calculus 4.) Be able to commit for the entire six weeks of the program (no exceptions will be made for travel to other summer intership opportunities, sports camps, Mu Alpha Theta, etc.) 5.) Maintain a permanent residence in the state of Florida. Stop by Guidance to pick up a packet or go online.

Application deadline is February 15th (must be postmarked by this day)

Visit: <http://www.bio.fsu.edu/ysp/>

Coastal Camp Citrus 2017

This year the Coastal Camp Citrus 2017 is at the Marine Science Station in Crystal River. Explore springs, river, estuaries and the Gulf of Mexico at this exciting and educational summer camp. Stay in dorms overnight and dine at the Marine Science Station. High School Students will be attending this camp June 19-23. Cost: \$300 per camper with financial aid for students who qualify. Applications are available in Guidance or online.

Deadline to apply: Friday, May 5th

Visit: <http://www.mss.citrusschools.org>

Click on Coastal Camp Citrus

Raise.Me - Scholarship link

Raise.me is a platform that helps 9-12th grade students prepare for college by earning scholarships for their achievements in high school. Over 220 colleges and universities have partnered with Raise.me, and award micro-scholarships for both academics and extracurricular activities. Raise.me is a social enterprise focused on expanding access to higher education, especially among low income and first generation students. Signed up to earn 'micro-scholarships' from a diverse set of over 200 colleges and universities, including Northeastern, Colby, Penn State, Michigan State, Tulane and Rollins College. At Raise.me, we're focused every day on making sure every student has the opportunity to achieve their college ambitions and go as far as their skills and smarts will take them.

Visit: <https://www.raise.me/>

Other Information - Continued...

Preview Night at CF Citrus Campus

Workshops in: getting started; financial aid/ money matters; dual enrollment; and Bachelor's Degrees. Waiving \$30 admission fee for those attending the Getting Started Workshop. There is also an opportunity for a \$500 scholarship on this night.

Preview Night at CF Citrus Campus Thursday, March 9th from 5:30 to 7:30 pm