

# Scholarship Bulletin <sup>The</sup> Early College High School Experience

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## Upcoming Events

- December 3**
  - Central State University—Instant Admission—See Mrs. Cocco for more details
- December 11**
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter interims distributed
- December 12**
  - ACT Test
- December 23-January 3**
  - Winter break
- January 14**
  - Financial Aid Night -6:00 p.m. at Admiral King
- January 15**
  - End of 2<sup>nd</sup> grading period

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## December College Planning

- Complete admissions applications by their deadlines.
- Continue to attend college planning, financial aide nights, and college fairs.
- Register to take or retake the ACT and/or SAT.
- Request financial aid forms and applications. Double check on deadline for submission.
- Follow up to ensure employers, teachers, and counselors send their letters of recommendations on time.
- Sign up for a PIN to complete FAFSA online (parents need one, too)
- Watch for early admission notices

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## SCHOLARSHIPS

1. **Lorain Bilingual Education Scholarship**
  - Hispanic/Latino students interested in teaching in a bilingual setting
  - Will attend The University of Findley
  - Have at least 2.75 GPA
  - Renewable each year
  - **Deadline—February 15, 2010**
2. **Truman D. Picard Scholarship**
  - Native American/Alaskan students interested in a career in natural resources
  - \$1500 for graduating seniors
  - Letter of application, resume, transcripts, 3 letters of reference
  - Must have evidence of validated enrollment in a federally recognized tribe or Alaska Native Corporation
  - Visit [www.itcnet.org](http://www.itcnet.org) for more information
  - **Deadline—January 29, 2010**
3. **Cavaliers/FirstMerit Scholarship Program**
  - Any graduating senior intending to pursue a post-high school education
  - Entry form, 500 word essay, transcript, ACT scores, 1 letter of recommendation
  - Ten \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded
  - **Deadline—February 15, 2010**
4. **Community Foundation of Lorain County**
  - Multiple scholarships—one application
  - Tuition assistance to attend accredited colleges, universities, and trade or professional schools
  - Fields of study include Dentistry, Medicine, Electronics, Engineering, Ministry, Business, Agriculture, Writing, Trade and Industry, and general post-secondary education
  - Renewable
  - Application available online Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>: [www.peoplewhocare.org](http://www.peoplewhocare.org)
  - **Deadline—February 10, 2010**
5. **Sam Walton Community Scholarship**
  - Cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4-point scale
  - One time \$3,000 scholarship
  - Must not be a dependent of a Wal-Mart employee
  - Selection is based on financial need, academic record, ACT/SAT scores, and school and community activities and leadership
  - Contact online at [www.act.org/walmart/contact.html](http://www.act.org/walmart/contact.html)
  - **Deadline—January 29, 2010**

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#### 6. Walton Family Foundation Scholarship

- Must have at least a 22 ACT or 1030 SAT
- Must be the dependent of an actively employed full-time Walmart Stores, Inc. Associate who has been employed for at least 12 consecutive months as of Feb. 1, 2010
- Award is up to \$13,000 in increments of \$1,625 per spring and fall semesters
- Contact online at [www.act.org/walmart/contact-walton.html](http://www.act.org/walmart/contact-walton.html)
- **Deadline—January 29, 2010**

#### 7. Walmart Associate Scholarship

- Must have at least a 2.5 GPA on a 4-point scale
- Is actively employed or be a dependent of someone actively employed by Walmart for at least six consecutive months as of March 29, 2010
- One-time \$3,000 scholarship
- **Deadline—January 29, 2010**

#### 8. Abercrombie & Fitch Scholarship Program sponsored by the UNCF

- Minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4-point scale
- Must demonstrate academic achievement and financial need
- Recommendations, transcripts, and essay required
- \$3,000 non-renewable

#### 9. United States JCI Senate Foundation Scholarship Program

- The U.S. JCI Senate is made up of the life members of the U. S. Junior Chamber of Commerce (Jaycees) and fifteen (15) \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded this year.
- The \$1,000 grants will be awarded to high school seniors who are U.S. citizens graduating from U.S. accredited schools, and plan to continue their education at accredited post-secondary colleges, universities or vocational schools.
- See Mr. Richardson for an application.
- **Deadline—January 8, 2010**

#### 10. Lorain County Farm Bureau, Inc.

- Two scholarships available for Lorain County students.
- \$1,000.00 scholarship to a 2009 high school senior who will be majoring in an agricultural-related field at either a two or four-year university.
- One \$500.00 scholarship to a 2009 high school senior who will be working toward a degree in a field other than agriculture at either a two or four-year university.

## Free Internet Scholarship Search Databases

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com) Fast Web

[www.collegeanswer.com/index.jsp](http://www.collegeanswer.com/index.jsp) Sallie Mae

[www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com) Scholarships

[www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) College Board

[www.fdncenter.org](http://www.fdncenter.org) The Foundation Center

[www.fundingopportunities.com](http://www.fundingopportunities.com) COS Funding Opportunities

[www.adventuresineducation.org/sbase/](http://www.adventuresineducation.org/sbase/) Adventures in Education

[www.fastaid.com](http://www.fastaid.com) Largest and oldest private sector scholarship database

[www.freschinfo.com](http://www.freschinfo.com) Free scholarship search

[www.uncf.org](http://www.uncf.org) United Negro Fund

<http://www.hsf.net> Hispanic Scholarship Fund

"The only thing  
more costly than  
education is  
ignorance."  
-- Anonymous

### Types of Financial Aid

**Scholarships**- This is "free" money awarded to students based on many factors. These could include anything from academic performance, extra-curricular involvement, selected fields of study, volunteerism, ethnicity, religious affiliation, financial need and even hobbies and interests.

**FAFSA** - Free Application for Federal Student Aid - This determines eligibility based on financial need for all federal and state financial aid, including the Federal Pell Grant, Ohio Instructional Grant, Federal Work Study and Stafford Loan Program.

**Federal and State Grants** - free money given to students by the U.S. Department of Education based on financial need.

**Ohio Instructional Grant (OIG)** - Need based (low to moderate income families) tuition assistance to full-time students, based on family income and number of dependents.

**Student Loans** - unlike grants, these are federally guaranteed loans that must be repaid.

**Federal Work Study Program** - opportunity for students to earn money through federally sponsored part-time employment sites at college and off campus.