



SPHS Cardinal Money Finder

Scholarship Deadlines and Updates

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Need help with your college application?

CSU and UC application help after school and lunch in the College & Career Center. Counselors will be on hand to help on – Mon. 11/ 6, Tue. 11/ 7, Wed. 11/ 8, Thur. 11/9, Mon.11/13, Tue. 11/14, Wed. 11/15, Thur.11/16, & Fri.11/17

Scholarship Information

These are by far not all scholarships available. You need to do the research for more.

Award Deadline: November 7, 2017 **Scholarship Value:** \$5,000
Awards Available: 50 The **Prudential Spirit of Community Awards** program is the United States' largest youth recognition program based exclusively on volunteer community service. Created in 1995 by Prudential and the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP), the program honors middle level and high school students for outstanding service to others at the local, state and national level. 1. Eligibility To be eligible, you must: A) Be in grades 5-12 as of November 7 B) Be a legal resident of any U.S. state or Washington, D.C. C) Have engaged in a volunteer activity that occurred during the 12 months prior to the date of the application D) Submit a completed application to a school or the head of an official designated local organization by November 7. <https://spirit.prudential.com/about/program-overview>

Nov 7 Because I Love You Poetry Contest info at <http://www.powerpoetry.org/content/power-poetry-scholarships>

Nov 15 THE JAMES ALAN COX FOUNDATION FOR STUDENT PHOTOJOURNALISTS Type of Awards: Five (5) Digital Cameras will be awarded to five (5) high school students. **(High school applicants should only submit still photographs. The video awards are for college and graduate students only.)**

VCCF – Ventura County Community Foundation scholarships should be opening in late-November. Their deadline is January 28,2018. It is a collection of scholarships from local donors. Each one has its particular requirements. You will need letters of recommendation, usually 1 or 2 depending on the rules of each scholarship.

Nov. 30, \$10,000 - College Scholarship To be eligible for the \$10,000 Scholarship you must: A) Be at least 13 years old and enrolled or will enroll in a college or university in the US. B) Be a legal resident of the U.S. or Puerto Rico. <https://www.scholarshippoints.com>

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Campus Visits To visit or not to visit?

It may seem odd to start a guide about college visits with a section on possibly *not* visiting colleges. But, given how expensive and time-consuming visits can be, I thought it would be helpful to question the premise of “needing” to visit colleges at all. We also want our families’ time spent wisely and helpfully. And, given the financial strain of visits, we certainly want it to be worth your while. So, the list below will offer alternatives for those families who are wary of a whirlwind college tour or who are hoping to ease into the process.

Alternatives to the college visit

No matter what, being a *thoughtful* college shopper is much more important than visiting every single school on a college list. And, there are ways to learn more about your schools without planning formal visits throughout high school. So, I’ve put together a list of options for those students who may not have the desire or means to visit all the schools on their list – or for those just starting out in the process.

1. Browsing vs. Test-Driving At Collegewise, we like to draw a distinction between “browsing” and “test-driving.” Browsing is the easy, convenient, stress-free (and relatively planning-free) way to visit a college. These could be visits within driving distance of your home, visits when your friend or older sibling is touring campuses and you can tag along. Test-driving, on the other hand, is reserved for when a student has already done the prep work and is visiting to see if they could really see themselves at the school (and I’ll go into that preparation later on).

2. Waiting For some students, it makes more sense to wait to visit colleges until after the admissions decisions have arrived.

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Dec 1 Chuck Hall Star of Tomorrow Scholarship Are you a bowler? Award \$6,000 Open to high school senior who is a member of the USBC, have GPA 3.0. Application at: <https://www.bowl.com/scholarships/>

Dec 15 Don't miss your chance to become a BURGER KING Scholar. Apply today! High school seniors must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale to be eligible, and must be active in their community through volunteering, sports, clubs and/or religious organizations. WWW.BK-SCHOLARS.COM The application period for the 2018-2019 school year deadline **Dec. 15, 2017.**

December 15 \$10,000 Scholarship:
ScholarshipPoints \$10,000 Scholarship

Due Dec 15 AXA Achievement Scholarship
Scholarship winners demonstrate ambition and self-drive with outstanding achievement in school, community or work-related activities. <https://www.scholarsapply.org/axa-achievement/>

THE 2018 TEENDRIVE365 VIDEO CHALLENGE IS ACCEPTING ENTRIES! Learning to drive is one of the coolest times for a teen. But facts have shown it can be extremely dangerous. You have the power to inspire your fellow teens, maybe better than a teacher or a parent can, because you know what messages will be the most powerful. Create a 30-60 second video for your fellow teen drivers that highlights the importance of safe teen driving and you could win \$15,000, or one of 14 other prizes! **Contest ends February 28, 2018**

Edvisors list of scholarship for 2018-19

<https://www.edvisors.com/scholarships/win-scholarships/free-scholarships/#lists-of-scholarships>

Put your profile on one or more of these sites:

www.Collgeboard.org www.dreamersroadmap.com/
www.cappex.com www.scholarshipamerica.org
www.scholarships.com www.latinocollegedollars.org
www.unigo.com* www.scholarships4students.com
www.Maldef.org www.BlackStudents.com
www.StudentAid.gov/scholarships

Confused on how to figure college costs?

Check out this tool from University California.

- [UC Financial Aid Estimators](#)

The UC campuses have developed interactive, online financial aid estimators that allow high school students and their families to get an idea of the types and amounts of financial aid available to them, based on their own financial circumstances. It is on the top right side of the page.

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That way, you can save time and money, as well as the disappointment of visiting a school that later denies you.. Plus, visiting once you're admitted can be an exciting time and invites you to be more critical when you step onto campus.

3. Other resources Before you start to plan a road trip college visit extravaganza, it's important to ask yourself if you even need to visit. With everything virtual these days – from tours, to classes, to interviews – you can learn *almost* everything about a college before ever stepping foot on campus. As simple as it sounds, I like students to start by going to Google Maps and putting the little yellow man down right outside campus. What do you see? Cow pastures or downtown Manhattan? Getting a sense of the area around the campus, just from your computer, is a great way to start envisioning what it would be like to live there. I also recommend YOUiversityTV, a website that has virtual tours for hundreds of college campuses.

Good reasons to visit a school

All that said, there are some things you can learn about a college that you really can't find anywhere else – the feel on campus on a Tuesday night, the conversations happening in the dining hall, or how many people show up to the football games. And, many students talk about having a "gut" feeling the moment they walked onto the campus of their future alma mater. There are certain aspects of the campus – the buildings, the people, the climate, and the mood – that are hard to capture virtually or through your favorite guidebook. If you sense you may need that extra boost, and you have the time and resources to do so, it might be time to plan a college visit.

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