

## **I. MORRIS COUNTY SCHOLARSHIPS**

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A variety of scholarships are offered by local organizations. Each group sets its own criteria and selects the recipient. Applications are available in the Counseling Office.

**The “200” Club of Morris County** offers twenty-four **\$4,000** grants to qualified seniors. Students must be children of members of Morris County local public police departments, fire departments (paid or volunteer), ambulance squads, or the New Jersey State Police. Students who are volunteers themselves may also apply. The **CSS Profile must** be filed.

**The Arts Council of the Morris Area** offers two annual scholarships (**The Elaine Ehlers Arts Scholarship: \$3,500 and The Eugenie Coladarci Arts Scholarship: \$1,250**) to students who wish to pursue further education in one of four arts disciplines: visual arts, dance, drama, or music. Artistic work samples, two essays, two letters of recommendation, listing of artistic awards, and a completed application are required.

**The Auxiliary of St. Clare’s Hospital/Dover** awards three **\$2,000** scholarships each year to students in the fields of nursing or allied health education (physical therapy, occupational therapy, etc.). The choice of candidate shall depend upon the applicant’s character and academic standing, as well as financial need and potential capacity for service.

**The Junior League of Morristown** recognizes outstanding community service by awarding a **\$2,500** scholarship to each of four high school seniors. The primary criterion is a commitment to volunteerism. Additional criteria are leadership, extra-curricular activities, scholastic effort, and work or family responsibilities. Financial need is not a factor. **jlmnj.org**

**The Junior Matrons of Morristown, Inc.** sponsors scholarships for seniors of African American descent. Applicants will be judged on academics, an interview, an essay, activities, letters of recommendation, and financial need.

**Morris County Association of Elementary School Administrators** offers a **\$1,000 Mildred Townsend Scholarship** to seniors who have been accepted into a college program of education. Selection is based on financial need, academic achievement, and a recommendation.

**The Morris County Association of Secondary School Principals and Supervisors** offers two **\$1,000** scholarships to students who intend to pursue a career in the field of education. Factors considered include academic achievement (minimum 3.0 GPA), SAT scores, community service, volunteer activities related to education, an essay, and two letters of recommendation.

**The Morris County Coordinators of Special Services Scholarship** offers a **\$300-\$500** award to a student pursuing post-secondary education and is enrolled in special education and/or receives related services.

**The Morris County Council of Education Association (MCCEA) Philanthropic Fund Scholarship Committee** awards three **\$1,000** scholarships to Morris County students. The **William Santora Vocational, Technical, and Creative Arts Scholarship** requires the applicant to plan a career in vocational, technical, or creative arts teaching and have a 2.3 GPA. **The Sgt. Ryan E. Doltz Scholarship** requires the application to be a member of the high school band and a 2.3 GPA. A third scholarship requires the applicant to pursue a career in any field of education and a 3.0 GPA. In addition to the above, all applications require a transcript, two letters of recommendation, SAT scores, and an essay.

**The Morris County Council of PTA’s** sponsors the **Mabel C. Newlin Scholarship**. They offer a number of **\$500** scholarships to students attending schools with active PTA’s. Students planning to attend a two- or four-year college, university, vocational or technical school are chosen based on financial need, scholastic achievement, activities, leadership, an interview, and recommendations.

**The Morris County Professional Counselors Association** awards a **\$1,000** scholarship to a graduating senior planning on pursuing post-secondary education. A short essay is required to indicate involvement in leadership in school, community organizations, and/or part-time employment.

**The Morris County Retirees Education Association** awards six scholarships of **\$4,000** each to qualified students who will major in education and rank in the upper half of their class. Selection is based on financial need, academics, SAT scores, recommendations, and a completed application. A current 1040 tax form is required.

**The Morris County School Boards Association** offers a **\$1,000** scholarship to a senior who plans to enter a teacher education program at a four-year New Jersey college or university. The criteria considered includes: academics, school and community service, leadership, and potential for making a significant contribution in the education field.

**The Morris-Passaic-Sussex County Council, Jewish War Veterans of the USA** offers the **XX Olympiad Memorial Award**. This **\$500** award is given to an outstanding high school athlete-scholar. This is a non-sectarian scholarship which will be awarded on the basis of a student's athletic achievements, academics, leadership, and service.

## **II. REGIONAL AND NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS**

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Below is a selection of the many regional and national scholarship competitions that students can enter. Some of these applications are available in the Counseling Office. Students can also apply online for most of them. It is a good idea for all students to complete a comprehensive web search for appropriate scholarship opportunities.

**American Dream Scholarship** offers a \$1,000 scholarship for seniors planning on continuing their education have at least a 3.0 GPA, work or are actively involved in their community. The Scholarship is sponsored by Commerce Bank. [commerceonline.com/americandream](http://commerceonline.com/americandream) Deadline: December 15,2007

**AXA Achievement Scholarship Program** in association with U.S. News & World Report, awards scholarships to students who are well-rounded, determined to succeed, and have demonstrated achievement at a job, sport, or extracurricular activity. One **\$10,000** scholarship will be awarded to a student in New Jersey and ten additional **\$15,000** national scholarships will be awarded. [www.axa-achievement.com](http://www.axa-achievement.com)

**Burger King Scholars Program** offers **\$1,000** scholarships to students who work a minimum of 15 hours per week. In addition, students must have a minimum GPA of 2.5, demonstrate financial need, and participate in extra-curricular activities.

**Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation** offers 250 academic merit-based scholarships to qualified seniors who exhibit leadership, commitment to community and/or employment. Fifty students will receive **\$20,000** scholarships (\$5,000 per year over four years) and 200 will receive **\$4,000** scholarships (\$1,000 per year over four years). Students must apply online. [www.coca-colascholars.org](http://www.coca-colascholars.org)

**Commerce Bank** offers 200 **American Dream** scholarships in the amount of **\$1,000** to seniors who have demonstrated academic achievement and leadership, along with a commitment to community service. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 GPA. Financial need is not a factor. Applications can be obtained at a local Commerce Bank branch. [www.commerceonline.com/AmericanDream](http://www.commerceonline.com/AmericanDream)

**Community Builders Association of New Jersey** offers a scholarship to seniors planning to pursue studies in the construction industry or related field such as engineering or architecture.

**Jefferson Scholars** offers a **full-tuition** scholarship to a senior planning to attend the University of Virginia. This award is based on merit. One student from the school will be selected. See your counselor if interested. Deadline: November 5, 2007

**Marine Corps** awards **\$500-\$10,000** to the son or daughter of a Marine on active duty, in the reserves, retired, or deceased.

**Marine Trades Association** awards a **\$1,500** scholarship to a senior planning on furthering their career in the recreational marine industry in New Jersey. A full scholarship is offered to Pennco Tech for the Marine Technician Program.

**Mensa Education & Research Foundation** offers a scholarship to seniors planning on pursuing post secondary education. An essay is required. Deadline: January 15, 2008.

**National Association of Water Companies** awards a **\$2,500** scholarship to a senior planning to attend a New Jersey college to major in the water utility industry or related field. A minimum 3.0 GPA is required.

**National Co-Op Scholarship** offers a \$6,000 scholarship for seniors planning on pursuing a college education in one of 10 sponsor schools and have a 3.5 GPA. Deadline: February 15, 2008.

**New Jersey Association of College Admission Counseling** offers a **\$1,000** scholarship to students who demonstrate a commitment to learning and have demonstrated leadership skills and/or community service.

**New Jersey Association of Counties (NJAC-Partnership in Education)** awards a scholarship to a senior who has excelled in academics and plans on attending a County College.

**New Jersey Association of School Psychologists** offers an award to a high school minority graduating senior who has demonstrated academic promise and will be pursuing post-secondary education.

**New Jersey Chronic Fatigue Syndrome Association** awards a **\$1,000** scholarship to a senior with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome who will be pursuing post-secondary education.

**New Jersey Coalition on Donation Scholarship** awards **\$2,000** to a graduating senior who is a donor transplant recipient, donor family member, or a donor awareness advocate. In addition, the student must be in the top half of the graduating class and plan to pursue post-secondary education.

**NJPSA Student Leadership Scholarship** is a **\$2,500** award offered to a senior who has demonstrated leadership in co-curricular activities other than athletics.

**New Jersey School Counselors Association** offers a **\$1,000** scholarship to each of three students. Selection is based on a 300-500 word essay describing how a school counselor has influenced his/her life in a positive way. (Examples: helping you make an important decision; providing support in a critical time; assisting in developing self-understanding and self-acceptance, etc.) In addition, a copy of the student's transcript and a letter of acceptance to a college is considered.

**New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants** offers scholarships ranging from **\$6,500** to **\$8,500**. Applicants must plan to pursue a career in accounting. Selection is based on academics, SAT scores, an essay, and a personal interview. [www.njcpa.org/scholarships](http://www.njcpa.org/scholarships)

**New Jersey Utilities Association** awards a **\$1,500** scholarship to a graduating minority, female, or disabled student planning on pursuing post-secondary education.

**New Jersey Vietnam Veterans Memorial Foundation** awards two **\$2,500** scholarships to eligible students. Applicants must have visited the New Jersey Veterans Memorial in Holmdel and completed an application which includes a short essay (250-300 words) reflecting on that visit.

**RHO TAU ZETA Chapter Scholarship** offers a scholarship to a female high school senior of African-American descent who plans on continuing her education. Awards are granted on the basis of academic merit, leadership and involvement in community service. Deadline: December 14, 2007.

**Specialty Equipment Market Association Scholarship (SEMA)** offers a \$1,000 award to graduating seniors pursuing a career in the automotive field and have at least a 2.5 GPA. Deadline: April 20, 2008

**Tourettes Syndrome Association of New Jersey** offers a scholarship to a graduating senior diagnosed with Tourettes Syndrom and planning to pursue post-secondary education.

**Toyota Community Scholars Program** offers 100 **\$10,000 - \$20,000** scholarships. Selection is based on academics, leadership, and student's contribution in the area of community service.

**Vintage Chevrolet Club of America** awards **\$500** to a senior in the Auto Service Technician or Auto Body programs who are planning to continue their education.

**Youth Supporting Our Troops** is a National Citation and personal letter from the President of the United States to students who support the troops serving overseas or who have helped their families in the U.S.

### **III. LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS**

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The following scholarships have been awarded in past years to deserving Morris County Vocational School District graduates. Seniors who wish to be considered for these awards will be required to complete an application and meet the organization's criteria for selection.

**The Jack Apgar STS Car Service Centers Leadership Award** offers a **\$100** award and a plaque to a student in the Automotive Service Technician Program for outstanding achievement.

**Vincent Boland, Jr. Memorial Scholarship** awards a scholarship to a senior pursuing post-secondary education in Business Administration or Computer Technology, has a minimum GPA of 3.0, and maintains a part-time job.

**Andrew & Karen Bradicich Memorial Achievement Award** is a **\$250** award given to a student from West Morris Central High School who has shown outstanding personal achievement and technical skill in his/her chosen career field.

**Thomas Catapano Cosmetology Award** offers a **\$300** award to a Cosmetology student who has shown outstanding personal achievement and technical skill.

**Rocco A. Cerbo Memorial Vocational Scholarship** awards **\$100** in recognition of a student's achievement in the Building Trades Program.

**Collectors of Rate and Familiar Tools (CRAFTS)** offers a **\$500** award to a carpentry student who has excelled in woodworking and is pursuing a career in this field.

**Culinary Arts Customer Service Award** is a **\$100 gift certificate** given to a student who has gone above and beyond in helping the instructors with culinary functions.

**Denville Combined PTA Scholarship** awards a **\$2,000** scholarship to a graduating senior who is a resident of the Township of Denville, a graduate of the Denville Township Public School System, and will be pursuing a post-secondary education.

**Engineering Awareness Scholarship** offers a **\$1,000 and \$500** scholarship to seniors who will major in math, science, or engineering at a two- or four-year college. An essay is required.

**John W. Ginty Memorial Scholarship** is a **\$500** award presented by the Morris County School of Technology Board of Education to a graduating senior who has attained academic excellence and intends to pursue higher education.

**Manny Goldblatt Memorial Scholarship** is a **\$1,000** award presented to a Morris County student pursuing a career in the building trades and who exemplifies the philosophies of Manny Goldblatt.

**W. W. Grainger Scholarship** awards a **\$1,000** scholarship to a graduating senior who has maintained at least a 3.0 GPA and plans on continuing his/her education.

**The Hope Chest Scholarship** provides financial assistance to deserving senior minority students who plan to attend a college, university, or trade school

**Dorothy Isaacks Memorial Scholarship** offers a **\$250** award from the **Morris Chapter of New Jersey Association of Women Business Owners** to an outstanding Digital Design & Advertising student.

**Ira Lieberman Memorial Essay Contest** awards a **\$500 savings bond** to seniors pursuing a post-secondary education. An essay is required.

**Master Grinding Award** is a **\$50 gift certificate** awarded to an outstanding student in Culinary Arts.

**Mayflower Scholarship** awards **\$1,500** to a graduating senior in the upper quarter of his/her class and planning to enter a New Jersey four-year college.

**Minority Student Scholarship** is awarded to a high school senior minority student who has demonstrated academic promise.

**North Fork Scholarship** offers a **\$2,500** scholarship to a high school senior who has a minimum 2.75 GPA, a minimum SAT score of 900 , and plans on pursuing post-secondary education.

**Prime Time Achievement Award** offers a **\$100** award to an outstanding student in the Business Information Technology Program.

**Rotary Club of Denville Scholarship** awards a **\$1,000** scholarship to Morris County School of Technology students attending Morris Knolls High School. Candidates are evaluated on the basis of academic excellence, tuition need, and community service.

**A. Richard Spinola PTA Scholarship** offers a **\$1,000** scholarship to a graduating senior who plans on pursuing an academic college education, attended Lakeview School, and is a Denville resident.

**Jerome F. Sullivan Memorial Scholarship** offers a **\$1,000 and \$500** scholarship to a graduating senior who plans to pursue post-secondary education in a business-related career. Special attention is given to academic achievement, community activities, and leadership.

**George F. Van Atta, Jr. Memorial Scholarship** awards a **\$2,000** scholarship to a senior who is a resident of Denville, a graduate of the Denville Township Public School System, and plans to pursue higher education in the field of teaching or the Arts.

**Young American Creative Patriotic Art Scholarship** offers a **\$10,000, \$5,000, and \$2,500** scholarships. Each entry is judged on the originality of concept, presentation, and patriotism expressed; the content of how it relates to patriotism and clarity of ideas; and the design technique, total impact of work, and uniqueness.

#### **IV. MILITARY SCHOLARSHIPS AND PROGRAMS**

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### **A. United States Military Academies**

There are four United States Military Academies: The U.S. Military Academy at West Point, the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, the U.S. Air Force Academy at Colorado Springs, and the U.S. Coast Guard Academy at New London. Each offers an outstanding education and full four-year scholarships.

The Academies look for high-achieving men and women with leadership potential. Admissions criteria include:

- High school academic performance
- Standardized test scores (SAT or ACT)
- Athletics and extracurricular activities
- Leadership positions, community involvement
- Work experiences

Academy graduates receive a Bachelor of Science degree and a leadership position as a junior officer in the Military—Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, and Coast Guard. There is a minimum service obligation of five years, but most academy graduates make the Military their career.

### **Official Academy Web Sites**

For all but the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, a congressional recommendation is required. Admissions is a complex process; and interested students are encouraged to begin in the Fall of their Junior year. Explore the web sites of each of the Service Academies to get a better idea of the curriculums offered, institutional traditions, and the most up-to-date admissions information.

**Army:** [www.usma.edu/](http://www.usma.edu/)

**Navy and Marine Corps:** [www.usna.edu//homepage.php](http://www.usna.edu//homepage.php)

**Air Force:** [www.usafa.af.mil/](http://www.usafa.af.mil/)

**Coast Guard:** [www.uscga.edu/](http://www.uscga.edu/)

### **B. Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC)**

Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) and Naval ROTC Programs offered by the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, and the Air Force, train qualified young men and women to become officers in those services upon graduation from college. ROTC is available in more than 1,000 colleges and universities throughout the U.S., both those that host ROTC units or detachments, and those with cross-enrollment agreements with them.

ROTC scholarships are not necessary for participation in ROTC, but hundreds of ROTC students receive scholarships every year. Scholarships are competitively awarded on merit. The main considerations are:

- High school academic record
- SAT or ACT scores
- Extracurricular activities
- Personal interview

The length, value, and terms of ROTC scholarships vary by service. All services offer four-year scholarships that include full tuition, books, fees, and a monthly tax-free stipend.

### **ROTC Online**

Explore the following web sites for additional information and for specific colleges and universities where ROTC programs are available:

**U.S. Army:** [www.goarmy.com/rotc/](http://www.goarmy.com/rotc/)

**U.S. Navy/Marine Corps:** [www.nrotc.navy.mil/](http://www.nrotc.navy.mil/)

**U.S. Air Force:** [www.afrotc.com/](http://www.afrotc.com/)

### **C. Armed Forces Benefits**

**Chapter 1606/Chapter 1607 (REAP)**

Students who are Reservists or National Guard members, or served on active duty on or after September 11, 2001, for at least 90 consecutive days, are eligible. Full-time students receive a monthly stipend for personal use. The monthly stipend will be reduced proportionately if you enroll part time. Visit [http://www.gibill.va.gov/GI\\_Bill\\_Info/rates.htm](http://www.gibill.va.gov/GI_Bill_Info/rates.htm) for complete information on current rates.

#### **Montgomery GI Bill Program**

The Montgomery GI Bill – Active Duty provides up to 36 months of benefits for eligible veterans who were honorably discharged, have completed high school, and meet certain other conditions. Learn more at [www.gibill.va.gov](http://www.gibill.va.gov)

## **V. ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP**

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Many students with outstanding academic potential often make their college choices on the basis of cost alone. Increasingly, small and large universities offer merit scholarships which are not contingent upon financial need.

These scholarships may be labeled as Presidential Scholarships, Alumni Residential Scholarships, Faculty Merit Awards, Merit Scholarship Programs, etc. Regardless of titles, these scholarship programs have one thing in common – cash awards for academically talented students. Some are based solely on a competitive exam; others consider academic merit, leadership, intellectual, and personal promise, SAT scores, and class rank. Academically talented students should consult with their school counselor.