



Did you know?

Scholarships are not just for high school seniors or current college students! For example, these scholarship providers open applications to students in kindergarten:

- My529™ Make Your Mark
- My529™ Book Your Summer
- Doodle4Google™

Who provides scholarships?

- State and local government
- Technical colleges, community colleges, and universities
- Community organizations, school districts, and K-12 schools
- Companies and corporations
- Private donors

SCHOLARSHIP TYPES

- ✓ Merit-based scholarships
- ✓ Need-based scholarships
- ✓ Athletic scholarships
- ✓ Activity-based scholarships
- ✓ Identity-based scholarships
- ✓ Field of study scholarships
- ✓ Creative or artistic scholarships
- ✓ Military scholarships

Getting Started

1. School counseling or guidance office

- Ask: “Who can I talk to about scholarships in high school?”
- Set up a time to meet and be prepared with questions
- Apply to as many scholarships as possible

2. Apply through your college or university

- Scholarships upon admission
 - Many Utah colleges have automatic scholarship opportunities when students apply
 - Some colleges do have separate scholarship applications
- Departmental scholarships
- Leadership scholarships
- Private scholarships

3. Explore employer-sponsored tuition

- Tuition reduction
 - Employer benefits that provide reduced tuition
- Tuition reimbursement
 - Employer benefits that reimburse employees for tuition costs
- Employee scholarships
- Both parents’ or students’ employers may offer this benefit

4. Community scholarships

- Many community organizations and local businesses provide scholarship opportunities.
 - Inquire at your credit union
 - Check with local businesses
 - Ask community organizations
- Local scholarships can increase chances of earning the award
- Apply for small scholarships, too, \$250-1,000 scholarships can reduce out-of-pocket costs

5. Online scholarship search

- An online search for scholarships can go a long way. Just be aware of scams and fraudulent applications. Never pay to apply for a scholarship. If a website looks sketchy, then just leave and move on to an official site.

6. File the FAFSA

- Although the FAFSA doesn’t give scholarships, it may be required to qualify for scholarships.
- Commonly, scholarships requiring the FAFSA are based on need. However, that isn’t always the case.
- An example would be the Opportunity Scholarship, which is merit-based.

Additional Resources

USHE.edu/state-scholarships-aid
KTSutah.org
Myscholly.com
Bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarships
Unigo.com
Chegg.com/scholarships

Goingmerry.com
Fastweb.com
Scholarships.com
Cappex.com
Niche.com
Careeronestop.org