



April 2018



Senior Guide

A Word from the Counselors

******Have you received Scholarships? Please advise the Guidance Office of all scholarships and awards. Bring a copy of the letter/email to the Guidance Office. We would like to list it next to your name in the Graduation Program******

The Loan-Down: Applying for Student Loans Information for Students and Parents

First off, it's important to determine how you intend to pay for your students' education. To qualify for financial aid, **all students must complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)**. The FAFSA determines eligibility for federal and state money—including loans, work-study programs, and grants. **You can complete the FAFSA on line at www.fafsa.ed.gov.** After the FAFSA application process determines the amount your family should contribute toward your students' education, you can explore student loan options.

Stafford Loans

Stafford Loans represent the bulk of federal student aid. Dependent students can borrow up to \$23,000 in Stafford Loan money over a four-year period, beginning with \$3,500 the first year, \$4,500 the second year, and then \$5,500 a year during the remainder of the time spent as an undergraduate student. Your family must demonstrate financial need to receive a subsidized Stafford Loan. With subsidized loans, the government pays the interest while your students are in school. If a student borrows under the unsubsidized loan program the student pays all the interest associated with the loan. Repayment begins six months after your student graduates from college.

Perkins Loan

Students with great financial need may qualify for the Perkins Loan. Government pays interest on the loan while the student is in school. Repayment begins nine months after a student graduates from college.

Plus Loan

Parents of a dependent undergraduate student may apply for the PLUS loan if the cost of education hasn't been met with financial aid. PLUS loans can be up to the cost of education minus the financial aid awarded.

THE COMPENDIUM OF TEXAS COLLEGES AND FINANCIAL AID CALENDAR FOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

This is a book designed for High School seniors, containing a "mini course" regarding college admission and financial aid. Federal, state and other financial aid programs as well as scholarships are included in the book. Pick up your copy in the Guidance Office. The booklet is also available at: www.everychanceeverytexan.org/about/scholars

~Don't forget to check out the scholarship applications in the Counselors' Office. There are currently over 40 scholarship applications available for seniors to pick up! ~

Reminder to Senior Males: You must register for the Selective Service 30 days before or after your 18th birthday. Students who need to register for the Selective Service may use the FAFSA to do so. Also, male students can register with the Selective Service online at www.sss.gov.

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES

Fort Hood Lifeguards Wanted-Fort Hood is hiring certified lifeguards for 2018 summer season. Apply online at www.usajobs.gov and follow the steps for a great summer.

Not certified? DFMWR Aquatics is offering lifeguard/waterfront certification courses at Abrams Indoor Pool. Visit their website at www.hood.armymwr.com for all scheduled courses.

City of Killeen 2019 Seasonal Hiring**Public Works:**

Drainage Service Worker

Mowing Service Worker

Recycling Attendant (PT)

Parks:

Grounds Maintenance Worker

Aquatics:

Lifeguard

Water Safety Instructor

Pool Manager

Pool Cashier

Must be at least 16 years of age

Apply for positions beginning February 25, 2019

www.killeentexas.gov

SCHOLARSHIP/ESSAY WRITING/FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOPS at KISD CAREER CENTER

THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2019 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm and

TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2019 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm

ASVAB

**The ASVAB will be administered here on Wednesday, April 17, 2019,
during 1st through 4th periods. Sign up in the Guidance Office to take the test.**

SCHOLARSHIP SEARCHES

Fast web Scholarship Search - <http://www.fastweb.com>

Peterson's – collegequest.com

www.freschinfo.com (newsletter that comes out weekly. It is free)

www.cashe.com

www.scholarships-ar-us.org

www.meritaid.com

www.scholarshipexperts.com

www.scholarships.com

<http://www.cappex.com/scholarships>

www.student.scholarships.org

www.fastweb.com

www.college-scholarships.com/100.htm

www.colleges.niche.com

www.texascholarsathlete.com

www.scholarships.horatioalger.org

Note: Some scholarship sites and scholarship search engines are requiring that an account be created in order for students to apply. Please do not pay for scholarship information. Be aware of scams.

CURRENT SCHOLARSHIPS IN THE GUIDANCE OFFICE

Average to Extraordinary Scholarship

Deadline: June 30, 2019

- Must be a high school student in Texas

B. Davis Scholarship

Deadline: May 24, 2019

- High school junior or senior
- No age restriction
- Include your name and the school you are attending this year and next
- This is not an academic scholarship but we would like to know where you are going to school now and what your future academic plans are.
- Please do not send transcripts or letters of recommendation at this time
- Write an essay of less than 1000 words on the topic below:
Describe the three characteristics of leadership you value most. Discuss why you believe that these traits are so important and how you feel that they are developed in an individual.

Your submission must be sent by email to: awards@studentawardsearch.com

- Applicants must be citizens of the United States on the date their applications are signed; permanent legal resident status does not qualify.
- Male and female students compete separately.

Hardin Simmons Music & Admissions Scholarship

Audition Dates:

Friday, April 05, 2019 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Saturday, April 06, 2019

You do not have to be a music major to apply.

Apply online: <http://www.hsutx.edu/academics/cofa/music/musicadmissionscholarship>

BigSun Young Athletes Scholarship

Deadline: June 19, 2019

- All student athletes regardless of the sport or the capacity in which they participate.
- High School senior
- 500 – 1,000 word essay

Military-Friendly Scholarships (Must be Military Affiliated)

Deadline: Varies

- Thanks USA Scholarships-available April 1st through May 15th
- Tillman Military Scholars Program-Deadline: March 31st each year-
- First Cavalry Division Association Scholarships-Deadline June 1st each year

Bartlett Electric Cooperative, Inc. – Lawrence Karl Memorial Scholarship

Deadline: April 01, 2019

- You must be a high school Senior, whose parents are members of BEC.
- You must be a full-time resident in the home of a parent who is a full-time resident in BEC's service area and maintains an active BEC account.
- You must attend a high school in the BEC service area or in a school district adjacent to the BEC service area and be a graduating senior in May/June 2019.
- You must have a high school GPA of 90 or higher

You must have applied for admission as a full time student at a state university, junior college, or technical school.

Rotary Club of Temple, Texas

Deadline: April 02, 2019

- Possess a disability and provide documentation from a physician, Texas Rehab Commission, or other agency
- Be a high school senior in good academic standing residing in Bell County
- Provide a copy of transcript
- Provide evidence of community service: civic organization, agency, church, etc.
- Enclose 2 letters of recommendation: 1 from your high school and 1 from the organization for which community service was performed
- Compose an essay of 300 words or less, to be attached to this application, on "Overcoming Adversity," in Spite of Obstacles," or similar topic

Military Officers Association of America (MOAA) Central Texas Chapter

Deadline: April 05, 2019

- Open to all graduating seniors regardless of their participation in JROTC
- Required to enroll in college ROTC as confirmed by the association
- Copy of high school transcript thru 1st semester Senior year
- Listing of all extracurricular activities including employment
- Letter of recommendation from a teacher, administrator, or JROTC Instructor
- An essay on the designated topic of at least 700 words, but no more than 1,500 words
- This year's topic is: "What does it mean to be a leader of character?"

AMVETS' Scholarships

Deadline: April 30, 2019

- Two scholarships specific to children/grandchildren of Veterans, Active Duty, Guard/Reserves who are currently high school seniors
- The AMVETS Scholarship: \$4,000-(\$1,000 awarded annually over four years) Six (6) awarded each year
- The JROTC Scholarship: \$1,000-(one payment of \$1,000), one (1) awarded each year (**JROTC only**) Proof from JROTC instructor must be included with the application.)
- To apply: <http://amvets.org/scholarships/>

Bell County Texas Democratic Women

(Women-Helping-Women Scholarship) (Males may apply)

Deadline: April 15, 2019

- GPA must be 2.75 or higher (C+/78) or better
- Applicant must be a U.S. citizen and a Bell County resident
- The applicant must be a graduating high school student, current college student or reentering college
- Applicant must have applied to or be enrolled in a college, university, or graduate school, including 2-year college, or vocational school that lead to an associate's degree or equivalent.

National Co-op Scholarship Program

Deadline: Various Deadlines

- Current High School Senior planning to attend one of the ten eligible schools. (see application for list of schools)
- Essay of 200 words or less describing why you have chosen to pursue a college cooperative education program.

Central Texas Players Golf Association Scholarship

Deadline: April 11, 2019

- Applications should be completed online, printed and submitted to high school counselor.
- Applicants must be graduating seniors in KISD.
- Applicants must have a GPA no less than 2.0 and will demonstrate the likelihood of successfully completing the selected degree/training program.
- Special consideration will be given to well-rounded students who have been involved in extra-curricular activities.
- The scholarship committee may choose to interview finalists.
- The scholarship must be used in the following year.
- Recipient must agree to enroll as a full-time student (12 hours or more) at any accredited college, university or institution of higher education within the following academic year.
- The scholarship funds will be provided to the institute of higher learning upon receipt of a college acceptance letter as a full-time student, and mailing address/contact information he/she will be attending up to \$1,000.

Student-View Scholarship Program

Deadline: April 22, 2019

- No minimum SAT/ACT score or grade point average
- No essay required
- No lengthy application forms
- No application fees
- Simply log on to www.studen-view.com and complete a 15-20 minute survey about colleges in your area.

13th COSCOM Association Scholarship

Deadline: April 26, 2019

- Candidate (or sponsor) must be a member of the 13th COSCOM Association.
- Candidate (or sponsor) must have been assigned or attached to the 13th ESC (or its predecessor units) at some point during their Army career. This assignment can be either under garrison or combat conditions.
- Candidate must be a high school senior, an undergraduate student, or a graduate student with a minimum 2.0 cumulative grade point average.
- Candidate must attend an academic institution or certification program a minimum of part time during the period of award.
- Candidate must submit a 250 word essay answering the question, “What does Selfless Service mean to you?” Please give examples of how you exhibit selfless service in your personal life.

Central Texas Soil and Water Conservation District 509 Scholarship

Deadline: April 08, 2019

- Current high school (or home-schooled) seniors who reside within the boundaries of Bell, Falls, and Milam counties;
- U.S. Citizens;
- Anticipating completion of high school diploma at the time of application;
- Planning to pursue a degree at a college or university in the state of Texas.
- May not be children or grandchildren of employees or Directors of Central Texas Soil and Water District #509.

Scholarship Buddy Scholarships

Deadline: Various

Scholarship information for the following scholarships

- Texas Interscholastic League Foundation Scholarships-\$12,000-90 awards-May 10, 2019
- VIP Voice Scholarship-\$5,000-1 award-April 30, 2019
- Global Lift Equipment-\$500-1 award-June 15, 2019
- Lift Parts Express Scholarship-\$500-1 award-June 30, 2019

KISD Board of Trustees Scholarships

Deadline: April 02, 2019

Four Scholarships-available

- Maude Moore Wood 3 \$4,000 each
- Parrie Haynes 2 \$2,500 each
- Junior Cross 11 \$4,000 each
- Franklin & Emily Pratt 2 \$2,500 each

Completed applications, along with a 200-word essay entitled: “Why I am applying for this scholarship,” and income verification must be submitted to the school counselors’ office.

Recipient must provide the KISD Superintendent’s Office with the following:

- Proof of enrollment for the current semester (minimum 12 credit hours)
- Receipts for school related expenses

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.-Theta Delta Sigma Chapter 2019 Science, Technology, Engineer, Math (STEM) Scholarship

Deadline: April 13, 2019

- Two letters of recommendation
 1. High School Teacher or Counselor
 2. Minister or Community Leader
- Official transcript from current school

Students awarded the scholarship will receive one, fully funded, program into the Security Information Technology Associate Program. This program is not portable to other New Horizons and must be delivered by New Horizons of Central Texas in Killeen, Texas. Upon successful completion of the program New Horizons will assist with job placement. New Horizons does not guarantee employment at the end of the training program.

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. Theta Delta Sigma Chapter 2019 Rev. RA Abercrombie Scholarship

Deadline: April 13, 2019

- Two letters of recommendation
 1. High School Teacher or Counselor
 2. Minister of Community Leader
- Official transcript from current school
- Acceptance letter from college of choice
- Essay in not less than 150 words, write about yourself, your educational and professional goals. How can this award help you to achieve these goals? Why should you receive this award?

Central Texas Branch of the American Public Works Association

Deadline: April 01, 2019

- Reside within the Central Texas Branch boundary (Freestone, Limestone, McLennan, Falls Robertson, Coryell, Bell, Milam, Burleson, Lampasas, Burnet, Williamson, Lee, Travis, Bastrop, Fayette, Blanco or Hays County). Children of APWA members residing within the Central Texas Branch boundary who reside elsewhere are also eligible.

- High School Senior with a 3.0 or higher GPA entering college or College Student pursuing a degree at an accredited college with a 2.5 or higher GPA.

Wednesday Review Club Scholarship

Deadline: April 19, 2019

- Letter of recommendation from teacher, principal or counselor
- Letter concerning financial need
- Certified transcript in sealed envelope
- List of honors receive in high school
- List of extracurricular activities
- List of volunteer services
- A personal narrative statement of future plans and/or goals

Bell County Medical Alliance

Deadline: April 19, 2019

- Must have a permanent street address in Bell County AND attend or plan to attend a Bell County college or university
- Must be planning to pursue a degree in a field related to human medicine
- In order to receive the second semester funds, recipient must maintain a 2.5 grade point average in the fall and must send a copy of his/her official fall transcript and class schedule for the spring semester.
- A one-page essay stating your need for this scholarship, any obstacles you have overcome in achieving your current level of academic success, educational goals for the next year, and long-range medical career goals.
- Current official transcript from high school and college, if applicable
- Three letters of recommendation from individuals who can attest to your character, commitment, and/or academic potential.
- Authorization to Release Financial Aid and GPA information form.

Killeen Chapter #490-Order of the Eastern Star

Deadline: April 18, 2019

- 200-word essay about why you are applying for this scholarship
- Submit three (3) letters of recommendation, two (2) of which should be from teachers and one (1) may be from a friend, pastor, or neighbor.
- Applicant must be academically eligible for enrollment in institution chosen.
- Sealed current transcript validated by the high school registrar
- List of community service activities.

Killeen Classroom Teachers Association

Deadline: April 12, 2019

- Application document
- A typed 500 word essay on a separate piece of paper. The essay should include a your goals, where do you see yourself in five years, how will this scholarship help you meet your goals, why you should be considered for this scholarship, and what is your experience with college thus far.
- Three signed (hand written signature) letters of recommendation-one of which must be from a teacher, counselor, or administrator.
- Official high school transcript
- A list of other scholarships, financial aid, and grants for which you have applied.

Waco Chapter of The Links, Inc.

Deadline: April 01, 2019

- High school senior
- Pick up application in the counselors' office or online at: www.wacolinks.org

Rotary Club District 5870 Vocational Scholarship

Deadline: April 30, 2019

- Must reside in one of the 23 counties that comprise District 5870: Bastrop, Bell, Bosque, Burleson, Burnet, Coryell, Falls, Fayette, Freestone, Hampton, Hill, Lampasas, Lavaca, Lee, Leon, Limestone, McLennan, Milam, Mills, Navarro, Robertson, Travis, and Williamson
- Attend a community college or technical school located in one of the 23 counties that comprise District 5870, or an adjacent county if a qualifying college is not available in the club's county with approval from the District Scholarship Chair: Austin Community College, Central Texas College, Hill College, McLennan Community College, Navarro College, Temple College, Texas State Technical College (in Waco or Hutto)
- Eligible programs of study should require at least one year but no more than two years of course work leading to a 2-year Associate in Applied Science or shorter-term credit Certificate program completed at an accredited community or technical college.
 - Degrees should lead to immediate employability upon completion in the field of study. Broad areas include engineering, technology, business, accounting, allied health (medical), construction and manufacturing trades, and public service that do not require a 4-year college degree to perform. Information on this type of program and a search function may be found at www.TexasGenuine.Org
 - If a prospective applicant selects a program of study that is not clearly included in the above, please contact the Vocational Scholarship Chair for approval.
- Agree to complete a service project related to the selected program of study/career field, if selected for the scholarship, prior to completion of the program, with their partner Rotary Club. Students selected for interviews will work with their sponsoring Rotary

Club to develop an outline of the proposed project and be prepared to provide an overview, along with ideas for funding the project during his or her district interview.

- Begin his or her academic program during either the Fall of 2019 or Spring of 2020;
- Agree to work in one of the 23 counties that comprise District 5870 following graduation and/or certification.
- Agree to appear in person at both a Rotary Club interview and at the district interviews if selected as a finalist. If, for any reason, the Scholarship candidate is unable to be interviewed in person on the day of the interviews, he or she will not be eligible to receive a scholarship.

Alpha Delta Kappa-Epsilon Theta Chapter-International Honorary Sorority for Women Educators

Deadline: April 29, 2019

- Must be planning to pursue a college degree in education
- Two letters of recommendation from teachers or other adults who know you well
- Official Transcript
- 500 word essay

Rotary Club or Killeen Heights Scholarships

Deadline: April 26, 2019

- Must apply online at: <https://goo.gl/forms/TiAho2JOJh38jQ4v1>
- Copy of high school transcript including class standing and ACT/SAT scores
- List of personal awards, honors, recognition, and leadership positions achieved while in high school
- List of other scholarships received
- List of community service or volunteer activities participated in while in high school
- College, university, or trade school letter of acceptance
- Three letters of recommendation addressing your leadership and/or community service contributions
- In 500 words or less, please answer this question in terms of personal essay:

Jerry Johnson and Dan Bray Applicants: "Who or What helped you identify and develop your talents and how will you use these talents to help other people?"

Stan Passman Applicants: "What challenges have you overcome to continue your education and how have those challenges shaped you as a person?"

Note: Applicants are expected to produce an original essay using a computer and word processing program. Format is 1" margins single-spaced, font size 12, and style Times New Roman.

Minuteman Scholarship-Army National Guard

- Currently in the TXARNG or eligible to enlist
- US Citizen
- Between the ages of 17- 30
- Valid MEPS physical
- Passing APFT

- AR 600-9 HT/WT compliant
- Have an official acceptance letter from the University/College you plan to attend
- High School: To receive a 4 year scholarship for non-prior service applicants you are required to have a 2.5 HS GPA, 1000 SAT and/or 19 ACT.
- Maintain 2.0 GPA and 3.0 ROTC GPA
- Participate in Simultaneous Membership Program

Cedar Valley Elementary School PTA

Deadline: April 18, 2019

Two Scholarships available: The Dominique Owens Memorial Fund
The Bernice and Bryan Gower Memorial Fund

- The recipient of these scholarships must have attended Cedar Valley Elementary for at least one school year.
- Academic performance must be at least at 2.5 G.P.A.
- A **required essay “CVES prepared me for life”**-for the Bernice & Bryan Gower Scholarship and a **required essay “CVES prepared me to make a difference in today’s society”**-for the Dominique Owens Scholarship shall be the first consideration for awarding these scholarships.
- Applicant must be planning to attend at least 12 hours as a full-time student, in a public or private supported community college, upper or four year college or university in the state or nation or world.
- Applicant has shown documentation of participating in a community service, and /or extracurricular events including part time work within their senior year of high school.
- Applicants must submit an official transcript of their completed high school record and an essay of 300 words or less, which explains their need for the scholarship and their current educational objective.

Rotary Club of Killeen Scholarship for Central Texas College

Deadline: May 03, 2019

- Application
- Two letters of recommendation
- 100 – 500 word essay

Military Officers Association of America-Heart of Texas Chapter

Deadline: May 10, 2019

- Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis. Consideration is given to an applicant’s GPA, financial need, the “whole person” as reflected by participation in extracurricular activities both at school and in the community, educational pursuits, and a required essay.
- Preference is given to an applicant who is the dependent or surviving spouse of a uniformed service member who died while on active duty. Consideration is also given to applicants who are: (1) military veterans; (2) currently serving in the Active or Reserve components of the military and their immediate family members; and (3) enrolled in or intend to enroll in a program leading to being commissioned as an

officer in any branch of the military, the U.S. Public Health Service, or the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Counseling Department

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