



# November 2019



## Senior Guide

### A Word from the Counselors

**Seniors may sign up in the Guidance Office to take the ASVAB test on November 13, 2019. Next test date will be April 15, 2020.**

**Seniors!**

**College application deadlines are fast approaching!**

**Are you ready?**

**Read below for some helpful hints for filling out applications.**

- Read applications and directions *carefully*.
- Make sure that everything that is supposed to be included in any application is enclosed.
- Make copies of applications and practice filling one out before you complete the original that you will turn in. No *messy* applications.
- Type or neatly print your answers. Then, proofread the applications and essays several times for accuracy. Also, ask someone else to proofread it for you.
- Keep a copy of all forms you submit to colleges.
- Quality, not quantity, is important when describing your activities. Showing that you thoroughly pursued an interest is better than having lots of activities.
- Know the application deadlines and *apply on time*.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### **FINANCIAL AID**

The FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) is the online form used when applying for financial aid. This is the first step in the financial aid process. Complete the FAFSA online at [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov).

#### **COLLEGE APPLICATIONS AND SCHOLARSHIPS**

Your Counselor will help you with your college and scholarship applications. Colleges and national organizations usually have their application deadlines in the fall and local organizations are in the spring. Read carefully for all criteria and deadlines. Not doing so could cost you a scholarship or deny your entry to the college of your choice. **If you would like us to mail your scholarship applications, please turn them in to the Registrar's Office at least ten days prior to the date they are due to their destination.**

## SCHOLARSHIP SEARCHES

<http://www.fastweb.com>

Peterson's - [www.collegequest.com](http://www.collegequest.com)

[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)

[www.freschinfo.com](http://www.freschinfo.com) (Free newsletter that comes out weekly)

<http://www.collegescholarships.org/>

[www.unigo.com](http://www.unigo.com)

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

[www.studentscholarships.org](http://www.studentscholarships.org)

[www.collegegreenlight.com](http://www.collegegreenlight.com)

[www.cappex.com](http://www.cappex.com)

### **SCHOLARSHIPS IN THE COMPENDIUM OF TEXAS COLLEGES AND FINANCIAL AID CALENDAR**

(Stop by the counselors' office to get your copy)

#### **November Deadlines**

- 11/1 American Legion Oratorical Contest
- 11/3 National Assn. of Secondary School Principal (NASSP)
- 11/15 Most Valuable Student Scholarship Award

#### **December Deadlines**

- 12/1 Allied Van Lines Scholarship
- 12/31 Rebekah Assembly of Texas
- 12/31 William C. Doherty and John T. Donelon Scholarship Fund

#### **January Deadlines**

- 1/1 Architects Foundation Diversity Advancement Scholarship
- 1/1 DECA Scholarship Awards
- 1/15 Annual national Washing Crossing Foundation Scholarship Award
- 1/31 Redfin Scholarship
- 1/31 Union Plus Education Foundation Scholarship

#### **February Deadlines**

- 2/1 ESA (Epsilon Sigma Alpha) Foundation
- 2/2 4-H Opportunity Scholarships
- 2/15 National Society Daughters of the American Revolution
- 2/15 Sullivan Solar Power (A Sustainable Future through Solar Energy Scholarship)
- 2/15 Texas Restaurant Association for Food Service Scholarships
- 2/16 George and Mary Hamman Foundation Scholarships
- 2/28 Abe and Annie Seibel Foundation

#### **March Deadlines**

- 3/ Air Force Society Education Grants
- 3/ Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf
- 3/1 American Chemical Society Scholars Program
- 3/1 Family, Career, & Community Leaders of America, Texas Association

- 3/1 Irene S. Wischer Foundation Scholarship
- 3/1 Knights of Columbus PRO DEO ET PRO PATRIA Scholarships
- 3/1 Matthews and Swift Educational Trust Scholarships
- 3/1 The Military Officers Association of America Scholarship Fund  
Educational Assistance Program
- 3/1 Music for the Blind
- 3/1 National Press Club Scholarship for Journalism Diversity
- 3/1 Print and Graphics Scholarship Foundation
- 3/1 Rocco C. Caffarelli Scholarship
- 3/1 SEG Foundation Scholarships
- 3/1 Texas Dept. of Transportation's Conditional Grant Program
- 3/15 Texas Floral Endowment
- 3/31 Air Force Sergeants Association, Chief Master Sergeants of the Air Force  
and the Airmen Memorial Foundation Scholarship
- 3/31 Lighthouse Guild
- 3/31 National Federation of the Blind Scholarships
- 3/31 Sid Richardson Memorial Fund

### **April Deadlines**

- 4/1 American Legion Auxiliary (TEXAS) Scholarships
- 4/1 Charles, Lela, and Mary Slough Foundation Scholarship
- 4/1 Second Marine Division Association Memorial Scholarship Fund
- 4/5 Two Ten Footwear Foundation Footwear Design Scholarship
- 4/15 Feeding Tomorrow Scholarship Program
- 4/19 Two Ten Footwear Foundation Higher Education Scholarship
- 4/23 Colburn-Pledge Music Scholarship Foundation
- 5/1 National Assoc. of Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors Educational  
Foundation
- 5/1 Navy-Marine corps Relief Society Education Programs
- 5/1 Society of Women Engineers Scholarship Program
- 5/15 Red River Valley Fighter Pilots Association Scholarships
- 7/1 Scott Alan Turner Personal Finance Scholarship
- 7/15 HomeCity Real Estate Scholarship

### **August Deadlines**

- 8/15 Sullivan Solar Power

### **United States Senate Youth Program (USSYP)**

The United States Senate Youth Program, established in 1962 by U.S. Senate Resolution, is a unique educational experience for outstanding high school students interested in pursuing careers in public service. The 58<sup>th</sup> annual program will be held in Washington, D.C., from March 7 – 14, 2020.

Two student leaders from each state, the District of Columbia and the Department of Defense Education Activity will spend a week in Washington experiencing their national

government in action. Student delegates will hear major policy addresses by senators, cabinet members, officials from the Departments of State and Defense and directors of other federal agencies, as well as participate in meetings with the president and a justice of the U.S. Supreme Court. All transportation, hotel, and meal expense will be provided by The Hearst Foundations (<https://www.hearstfdn.org/>)

Each delegate is also awarded a \$10,000 undergraduate college scholarship, with encouragement to pursue coursework in history and political science. To apply, please contact your state selection contact. Ms. Celeste Padilla, Assistant Director, CCRS, Texas Education Agency, 1701 N. Congress Ave. Austin, TX 78701 (512) 463-1234 [celest.padilla@tea.texas.gov](mailto:celest.padilla@tea.texas.gov) or [www.tea.texas.gov/ussyp/](http://www.tea.texas.gov/ussyp/)

### **SAT-2019-2020 Test Dates: Fee: \$49.50 Late Fee: \$30.00**

#### **November 02, 2019**

Registration Deadline: October 03, 2019

Late Registration Deadline: October 22, 2019

#### **December 07, 2019**

Registration Deadline: November 08, 2019

Late Registration Deadline: November 26, 2019

#### **March 14, 2020**

Registration Deadline: February 14, 2020

Late Registration Deadline: March 03, 2020

#### **May 02, 2020**

Registration Deadline: April 03, 2020

Late Registration Deadline: April 21, 2020

#### **June 06, 2020**

Registration Deadline: May 08, 2020

Late Registration Deadline: May 27, 2020

### **ACT 2019-2020 Test Dates: Fee: \$46.00 Late Fee: \$29.50**

#### **December 14, 2019**

Registration Deadline: November 08, 2019

Late Registration Deadline: November 22, 2019

#### **February 08, 2020**

Registration Deadline: January 10, 2020

Late Registration Deadline: January 17, 2020

**April 04, 2020**

Registration Deadline: February 28, 2020

Late Registration Deadline: March 13, 2020

**June 13, 2020**

Registration Deadline: May 08, 2020

Late Registration Deadline: May 22, 2020

**July 18, 2020**

Registration Deadline: June 19, 2020

Late Registration Deadline: June 26, 2020

**New Scholarship Opportunities in the Guidance Office****Brockman Foundation-Full Scholarship-STEM and Business-Texas A&M**

Deadline: December 01, 2019

- Supports four years of undergraduate studies in an approved program of STEM as well as the on-year MS Business graduate degree at Texas A&M Mays Business School
- Covers tuition fees in full, room and board, transportation, books and supplies, an overseas study opportunity, and internship opportunities
- American citizens resident anywhere in the world may apply for the scholarship. An international (non-U.S.) student may apply for the scholarship as long as they can submit, with their application, sufficient evidence that they have a visa allowing them to study in the U.S.
- SAT or ACT score (not an equivalent)
- It is a condition of being awarded the scholarship that the recipient will enroll in and successfully complete, both the four-year undergraduate STEM and the MS Business graduate degree program.

**NAACP Scholarship**

Deadline: January 17, 2020

- Plan to attend college in the fall semester 2020
- Complete application in its entirety and include signature on the specified line
- Compose a 300 word essay on one of the following topics:  
Where do you see yourself five years from now?

Or

Who has influenced you the most throughout your life and why?

- Submit an official transcript

### **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr Commemoration Committee Scholarship**

Deadline: November 15, 2019

- Must be seeking to further your education upon graduation at a university, college, vocation or trade school in the Fall of 2020
- Must be in good academic standing, with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0

### **Doris and Ralph Klose Scholars Days (Math and Science Majors at WSU)**

Deadline: November 01, 2019

- Be a current high school senior
- Have a minimum high school GPA of 3.50 or
- Have a minimum ACT composite score of 24 or a 1160 on the SAT or
- Be in the top 10% of your class
- Declare a major in a math or science teacher education program

### **Virginia Military Institute Scholarship Program**

Deadline: February 01, 2020

- Combined SAT score of 1350 or better or ACT 31 or better
- High School GPA of 3.7 or better
- Resume (see application)
- Two short essays (see application)
- Official copy of high school transcript

### **National Co-op Scholarship Program**

Deadline: Various Deadlines

- Must have a cumulative high school GPA of 3.5 on a 4.0 scale
- Must apply for admission for the 2020-2021 academic year at institution(s) you select on the scholarship application
- Must meet other merit scholarship criteria as established by the institution(s) selected on the scholarship application
- Must be current high school seniors or transfer students

### **Americanism Essay Contest**

Deadline: November 26, 2020

- Grade 7 – 12
- Must be sponsored by a branch of the Fleet Reserve Association or a unit of the Ladies Auxiliary, or FRA Member-at-large

- The essay shall be on the theme: What My Vote Will Mean to Me and shall not exceed 350 words
- **The essay shall be legibly written or typed on one side of paper**
- The title of the essay shall be written or typed at the top of the paper.
- A student may submit one entry each year
- Each entry must be accompanied by a separate sheet stating: the entrants name, address, zip code, telephone number, school grade (or equivalent), name of school, or the words “home schooled”, number of words in essay, and the sponsoring branch/unit or sponsor’s name.
- Entries submitted to branches shall be submitted to the Branch Americanism-Patriotism Committee and postmarked no later than December 1, for judging at the branch level.

### **Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drum Major for Justice Oratorical Contest**

Deadline: November 22, 2019

- Male high school Student (freshman to senior)
- Exemplifies good character
- Participates in extracurricular activities
- Demonstrates leadership abilities

### **Texas A&M University Academic Scholarships**

Deadline: December 01, 2019

Texas A&M University’s four-year, competitive endowed academic scholarships are awarded by Scholarships & Financial Aid. While competition requirements vary, only one application is necessary to be considered for all the scholarships listed. Scholarship recipients will be notified of their selection in February of their senior year. Each scholarship includes a one-time \$1,000 scholarship to be used for a Texas A&M approved study abroad experience

#### **Eligibility**

To be considered for Academic Scholarships, you must have a minimum test score of at least:

- SAT: 1360 total with at least 620 Math and 660 Evidence-Based Reading and Writing
- ACT: 30 composite with at least 27 Math and 27 English

In addition to your academic achievement, your co-curricular involvement (campus activities, leadership roles, employment, etc.) is also considered.

In order to provide scholarship opportunities to the greatest number of students, Texas A&M does not stack Academic Scholarships. If you qualify for more than

one Academic Scholarship you will receive the highest dollar-value scholarship only.

### **Duration**

Academic Scholarships are four-year awards. Students must meet eligibility requirements each year to continue receiving your scholarship in future years.

### **Application**

Prospective students can apply using the ApplyTexas Application:

(<https://www.applytexas.org>) or the Coalition Application:

(<http://coalitionforcollegeaccess.org>) for Freshman Admission. Students must complete the admissions application along with the scholarship application to be considered.

### **Lone Star Scholarship**

Deadline: December 01, 2019

- Must be a graduating senior at time of application
- Must have a grade point average of 3.0 or above
- Must submit a typewritten essay of no more than 500 words
- Must submit a wallet-sized photo with application. Graduation photo is acceptable
- Must submit a transcript of his/her high school credits, SAT/ACT scores,
- The letter of recommendation and transcript on school stationary from high school counselor. The letter of recommendation and the transcript should be in sealed envelopes.
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### **Burger King Foundation Scholarship**

Deadline: December 15, 2019 (or until they have received 50,000 applications)

- Must be living in the United States, Canada, or Puerto Rico
- Graduating senior
- Have a cumulative high school grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale or equivalent



- Plan to enroll full-time, without interruption, for the entire 2019-2020 academic year at an accredited two or four-year college, university, or vocational-technical school in the U.S., Canada, or Puerto Rico.

### **Ron Brown Scholarship**

Deadline: November 01, 2019(early consideration)

January 09, 2019 (final deadline)

- Must be Black/African American
- Must exhibit exceptional leadership potential
- Must participate in community service activities
- Demonstrate financial need
- Be a US citizen or hold a permanent resident visa card
- Be a current high school senior at the time of your application. NOTE: Current college students are not eligible to apply

### **National Honor Society Scholarship (NASSP)**

Deadline: December 06, 2019

- Must be a senior member of and active NHS chapter in good standing and are eligible to apply for an NHS scholarship
- NHS members must create a student account before you can access the NHS Scholarship application
- The NHS adviser must verify the student's membership before the student can begin the application.
- All application requires two recommendation, and certification by the NHS adviser in order to be considered complete. Incomplete applications are not evaluated.
- <https://www.nhs.us/students/the-nhs-scholarship>

### **Rebekah Assembly of Texas-Irma Gesche Scholarship**

Deadline: January 31, 2019

- Based on academic ability, community service, personal development, and financial need
- Must submit completed application
- High school transcript
- A typed letter outlining expected goals to be reached as a result of further education
- Three letters of reference

To apply write to the following address:  
Irma Gesche Scholarship Committee  
c/o Rebekah Assembly of Texas  
Attn: Rosie McMillin, Secretary  
16400 KC Road 4060  
Scurry, Texas 75158  
(903) 498-4528

### **Gen and Kelly Tanabe Scholarship**

Deadline: December 31, 2019

The Gen and Kelly Tanabe Scholarship is a merit-based program that helps student fulfill their dreams of a higher education. The scholarship is named for Gen and Kelly Tanabe, best-selling authors on education, whose generous donations fund this program.

- 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade high school, college, or graduate student including adult students.
- Legal resident of the U.S.
- Currently in school or planning to start school within the next 12 months.
- An essay in 250 words or less on one of the following:
  1. Why do you deserve to win this scholarship?
  2. Describe your academic or career goals or
  3. Any topic of your choice

Feel free to re-use an essay that you wrote in class, for college admission or another scholarship competition.

### **Student Voices Scholarship Program**

Deadline: January 15, 2020

- You must currently be a currently enrolled high school senior in a Texas public high school.
- You must commit to attend and participate in the 2020 Governance Camp- Thursday, February 27<sup>th</sup> and Friday, February 28<sup>th</sup>.
- You must provide a current high-resolution photo in JPEG format and other media-related items in the same format as received (no Google documents etc.) by the deadline set by TASB,
- Complete the application. The application must be typed, and all sections must be completed.

- Letter of recommendation. Each applicant must submit one letter of recommendation from a current district employee. The application is NOT complete without the letter of recommendation.
- Submit all materials by 5p.m. on January 15, 2020. Email completed application to [tami.nagar@tasb.org](mailto:tami.nagar@tasb.org).

### **Hardin Simmons Music & Admissions Scholarship**

Audition Dates:

- Saturday, November 02, 2019 (9:00 am – 12:00 pm)
- Friday, February 07, 2020, (1:00 pm - 5:00 pm)
- Friday, February 21, 2020 (1:00 pm - 5:00 pm)
- Friday, April 03, 2020 (1:00 pm – 5:00 pm)
- Saturday, April 04, 2020 (9:00 am – 12:00 pm)
- You do not have to be a music major to apply.
- Apply online to Hardin-Simmons University using the online application: <https://applynow.hsutx.edu/apply>

### **2020 Elks Most Valuable Student**

Deadline: November 05, 2020

- Current high school senior who is a citizen of the United States is eligible to apply.
- Applicants need not be related to a member of the Elks
- High school graduates are not eligible to apply.
- 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.
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### **Charles Butt Scholarship for Aspiring Teachers**

Deadline: Various

Must demonstrate:

- Written communication
- Oral communication
- Collaboration
- Leadership
- Altruism

- Persistence and continuous learning
- Passion for education
- Belief in the power of teaching
- Academic achievement

The Charles Butt Scholarship for Aspiring Teachers is available to prospective teachers who are currently in, or plan to enter, an eligible teacher preparation program at a Raising Texas Teachers partner university. Aspiring Teachers can apply in the fall of any year between their senior year of high school and junior year of college. To be eligible for the scholarship, students must be committed to teaching in a majority-economically disadvantaged school or in a shortage subject area (in a school where more than 50% of students are eligible for free or reduced lunch, or as a math, science, bilingual, or special education teacher) in a Texas public school. Preference is given to Texas residents.

### **B. Davis Scholarship**

Deadline: May 22, 2020

- 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](mailto:awards@studentawardsearch.com)

### **Carr P. Collins Scholars Program-Baylor University**

Deadline: January 31, 2020

- Must be admitted to Baylor
- Be in the top quarter of their graduating class
- Have a minimum score of 1310 on the SAT or minimum of 28 on ACT
- Have completed a balanced college preparatory program including history, science and a foreign language
- Be an established resident of the state of Texas

## **Cirkled in The “No Sweat” Scholarship**

Deadline: December 31, 2019

- No minimum GPA and no long essay to write
- \$2,500 award-you can use it immediately after receiving it.
- Use for any educational need.

How to apply:

- Create a FREE account on [www.cirkledin.com](http://www.cirkledin.com)
- Click the “Apply Now” button.

### **Counseling Department**

Counselor---Juli Fischer

Counselor---April Hoffman

Counselor---Amy Picot

Coordinator---David Dominguez

Counselor---Phylicia Gaston

Counselor---Sarah Noteboom

Secretary----Pamela Pierce

Registrar---Barbara Critchfield

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