<u>SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE</u> ISSUE #3: JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2018

Information about a number of scholarships is sent to Centerville High School each year by the sponsoring organizations. In an attempt to inform students and parents about these scholarships, a *SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE* is be published and distributed each month during the school year.

Information dealing with scholarships offered by a college or university can be found in the application packet or view book of that school. Information about scholarships offered by organizations other than colleges and universities can be found in alphabetical order in the small file cabinet (labeled "Scholarship Information") located in the West Unit Guidance Office.

Information in the SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE is usually not complete. In most cases, unless otherwise noted, students will need to check in the West Unit Guidance Office for details (eligibility requirements, deadlines, etc.) regarding the scholarships listed in the update. Check as soon as possible after each SCHOLARSHIP UPDATE is issued so those deadlines can be met. Scholarships listed are for current seniors unless otherwise noted. Scholarships other than those listed in the update may also be available. It is wise to check all resources.

It is the responsibility of the interested student to follow through with the pursuit of any scholarships; that is, to request any needed additional information and/or application forms, to complete the application process, and to <u>meet all deadlines</u>. Students should see their Unit Counselor if assistance is needed.

SCHOLARSHIP TIPS:

- 1. Meet the deadline a day late is too late.
- 2. Ask someone to look over your application packet to be sure you filled in all required blanks and signatures.
- Type your essay and be sure you addressed the topic completely. Don't expect to write a good essay in five minutes. Write; rewrite; and then read your essay aloud. You don't have to have grand aspirations to write a good essay. Write about realistic goals and plans.
- 4. Ask for reference letters early. Asking a teacher or employer to write a letter two days before the scholarship deadline is too risky. You don't want to depend on someone else making YOUR deadline. Reference letters should always be typed and include the name, address, phone number and relationship of the recommender.
- 5. Prepare an outline of the following:
 - a) Academic Achievement
 - b) Extracurricular Activities
 - c) Volunteer/Community Service
 - d) Jobs/Employment

BEWARE OF SCHOLARSHIP SCAMS!

Don't be cheated out of your money by someone promising too-good-to-be-true offers of financial aid! Each year some families of students applying to college are victimized by scam artists posing as counselors who guarantee financial aid, scholarships, and grants to students for an up-front finder's fee. Before you hand over any of your money, see if your counselor passes this test:

-Is he or she guaranteeing results?

-Is an up-front fee required?

-Is he or she offering to do the work for you?

If the answer to any of these questions is YES, you may be dealing with a fraudulent scheme. Be wary. These scams are usually advertised in campus newspapers, flyers, direct mail, and on the Web. Don't become the next victim. Call 1-800-876-7060 for a free check from the National Fraud Information Center.

DAYTON FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS:

The Dayton Foundation is a non-profit organization that administers many scholarships just for local students. <u>With two exceptions, all scholarships are completely accessible through the ScholarshipCONNECT portal at</u> <u>www.daytonfoundation.org.</u> Online Application closes March 9, at 4 p.m.

Dayton-Montgomery County Scholarship

Applications are available to seniors for the Dayton-Montgomery Scholarship Program. Financial need is a key criterion; therefore, the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) should be submitted by the end of February. Applicants must have a grade point average of 2.5 or higher. Each year, dozens of Centerville High School graduates receive scholarships through this program. Scholarships may be used at any school. They are not renewable. By the first week of February, students with at least a 2.5 GPA will receive a letter in advisory detailing instructions for obtaining the password for the online application. If students have questions, they should see Mrs. Fleischman in South Guidance. **Deadline: February 21 (Students are encourage to apply before this date.)**

Altrusa International Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded to a non-traditional, female student who is planning to attend an accredited college or university on a full-time basis and demonstrates financial need. Student must have a 3.5 GPA or higher. See Mrs. Stingley in East Guidance for an application. In addition, you must also submit completed application to Mrs. Stingley by the deadline. **Deadline: Submitted to Mrs. Stingley in East Guidance by February 21.**

AIA Dayton Architectural Scholarship

The AIA Dayton Architectural Scholarship Fund of The Dayton Foundation was established to encourage and assist students graduating from high schools in the Dayton/Miami Valley region to pursue a degree in architecture at an accredited school in Ohio. Student must be newly accepted in a NAAB accredited architectural program at a university or college, or be in a pre-architectural program and declare architecture as his or her primary course of study. **Deadline: March 9.**

Appenzeller Scholarship

A \$1,000 scholarship is offered to a deserving student who is of good moral character and who wishes to pursue a career in the Engineering disciplines at an accredited college. **Deadline: March 9.**

C.J. McLin, Jr. Scholarship

Established in 1992, this scholarship fund encourages residents of Montgomery County to complete college studies at an accredited institution of higher learning in Ohio or at a United Negro College Fund school in the United States. The Fund provides financial assistance for tuition and/or related educational expenses. The scholarship fund is a permanent endowment of The Dayton Foundation's African-American Community Fund and is administered by the Dayton-Montgomery County Scholarship Program. A minimum 2.5 GPA is required. Check application for other eligibility criteria. **Deadline: March 9.**

Dayton Catholic Women's Club Scholarship

This scholarship is for a female graduate who is a member of a local Roman Catholic Parish with financial need. **Deadline: March 9.**

Doris H. Wilson Scholarship

Two awards are available. Each is a \$450 scholarship to provide financial assistance to two high school seniors who are graduating from a public, private or parochial high school in Montgomery County. Applicants should have a 2.0-2.9 GPA. Students must demonstrate participation in activities related to diversity. **Deadline: March 9.**

Fanny Vought Fink Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is for a single mother pursuing a degree from an accredited two-year or four-year college, university, vocational school, or trade program in Montgomery, Butler, or Greene County. Applicant must demonstrate financial need and should have a minimum 2.5 GPA.

Deadline: March 9.

General Motors/Frigidaire Scholarship Program

The GM/Frigidaire Scholarship was established to provide tuition scholarships for employees and their dependents. children and grandchildren of current and retired employees from Montgomery County, Ohio, GM, Frigidaire, Delphi, and D-Max plants are eligible to apply. Students must provide proof of relationship and current retiree benefits. This is a competitive academic scholarship. Students must have a minimum 3.0 GPA. Scholarships may only be used a select Ohio schools. **Deadline: March 9.**

Jerry Trimbach Scholarship

Jerry Trimbach Scholarship Fund was established to assist individuals in furthering their studies at Sinclair Community College. Jerry Trimbach graduated from Sinclair while parenting four young children. As one of the founding owners of 2-J Supply Company, Mr. Trimbach credited his education for his later success in life. Applicants must be high school seniors residing in Montgomery, Miami, Preble or Greene Counties; registered as a full-time student at Sinclair Community College; and demonstrate financial need. Preference will be given to applicants who were orphaned or raised in a single parent home. Though the scholarship amount varies, in the past, it has been equal to 1/2 of the tuition at Sinclair Community College.

Deadline: March 9.

Madonna Wine Goss Music Scholarship

This scholarship fund was established in 2003 to offer financial assistance to high school seniors who are planning to major in <u>music education</u> at an accredited four-year institution of higher learning. The scholarship is valued at up to \$3,000. Applicants must have a minimum 3.0 GPA.

Deadline: March 9.

Mary E. And Roderick F. Condon II Scholarship

A \$3,000 award for the exclusive purpose of assisting individuals to further their studies in the Fine Arts. Students must submit a portfolio and essay.

Deadline: March 9.

Nelson J. Houck and Alvin R. Houck Scholarship

This scholarship is for a student who has participated in track and field in high school and plans to continue as a college athlete. Applicants must demonstrate financial need and should have a minimum 2.5 GPA. **Deadline: March 9.**

Pearl Dale and Audrey Parker Scholarship

This scholarship is for an African American student graduating in the Miami Valley who demonstrates financial need. Applicants should have a minimum 3.0 GPA and an ACT composite score of 21. **Deadline: March 9.**

Professor E. Champ and Alma Warrick Scholarship

This \$1,000 scholarship is offered to a high school senior or current college student planning to attend Central State University or Wilberforce University and planning to earn a degree in the liberal arts field. **Deadline: March 9.**

Ray Wright Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship fund honors the memory of this owner/operator of five McDonald's restaurants in the Miami Valley. The scholarship provides financial assistance to those who have been employees of McDonald's Restaurants in the Ohio Region for no less than 1 year. Students must plan to further their studies at an accredited college, university or trade school.

Deadline: March 9.

Richard W. Brame, Sr., Memorial Scholarship

The fund was established in 2000 by the family of Richard W. Brame, Sr., founder of Dayton Steel Service, Inc., to award college scholarships to Montgomery County graduates, intending to major in business at a four-year college or university. A minimum 2.5 GPA is required. The scholarship award is in the amount of \$1,000. An additional essay is required. **Deadline: March 9.**

Robin Melnick Senior Scholarship

This \$1,000 scholarship is offered to a high school senior who has exhibited "unconventional excellence." For example, an applicant may provide a fictional work, art portfolio, screenplay, video, website, computer program, business plan, research or science project, or other such work demonstrating innovation and creativity. Applicants should have a minimum 3.0 GPA. **Deadline: March 9.**

Scott Neal Simpson Scholarship Fund

A one-time \$500 scholarship will be offered to a high school senior. To be eligible for consideration applicants must be a resident of Montgomery County, have a minimum 2.5 GPA, participate in his/her school's organized sports, and exhibit leadership, including tolerance and respect for others. **Deadline: March 9.**

Twentig Incorporated Endowment Fund – Willis "Bing" Davis Scholarship

This \$1,000 scholarship is for an African American student concentrating his/her studies in Visual and/or Performing Arts. Applicants must submit two letters of recommendation and be interviewed by the selection committee. **Deadline: March 9.**

Wahib Abdullah Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is offered annually to a high school senior who plans to major in Communications and/or Journalism. Applicant must have a minimum 3.0 GPA.

Deadline: March 9.

Willie and Eloise Root Scholarship

This \$1,000 scholarship is offered to a high school senior or current college student who has played an active role in the lives of migrant workers or victims of human trafficking. Applicants should have a minimum 2.5 GPA. Applications are available online by selecting the "Scholarship CONNECT" tab. *www.daytonfoundation.org* **Deadline: March 9.**

SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED BY ORGANIZATIONS:

Better Business Bureau - Students of Integrity

The Better Business Bureau's Students of Integrity program recognizes Miami Valley high school seniors who personify ethics through leadership, community service, overall integrity, and academic history. Five students will be selected to receive scholarships of \$1,000 each to an accredited school/college of their choice. An additional essay is required. Please see Mrs. Stingley in East Guidance it interested.

Deadline: February 1 (to Mrs. Stingley in East Guidance).

Optimist International Essay Contest - Topic: "Can Society Function without Respect?"

Interested students submit essay to their local Optimist Club. The essays are judged at the Club level, District level and at the International level. College scholarships are awarded and valued at \$3,500. The contest is open to currently enrolled middle school and high school students under age 19. For more information, contact Kelly George – Centerville Noon Optimist Club at 937-581-1494. *If interested, pick up an application in East Guidance or visit www.optimist.org* **Deadline: February 12.**

<u>Alzheimer's Foundation of America</u> – Essay topic: "How has Alzheimer's impacted your life?"

Interested students submit essay to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America. College scholarships are awarded and valued at \$5,000 for 1st place, \$2,500 for 2nd place, \$1,500 for 3rd place, and \$500 for Honorable Mention. *www.youngleadersofafa.org* **Deadline: February 15.**

Day Air Credit Union Scholarship

Day Air Credit Union believes in rewarding students who have achieved excellence both in the classroom and in the community. In an effort to recognize these students, Day Air will be awarding two \$1,000 scholarships for individuals who demonstrate academic achievement and community service, and who are interested in advancing their education. Students must be enrolling or currently enrolled in a 2-year or 4-year college or university. Students or their parents must be members of Day Air Credit Union. Applications are available online.

www.dayair.org **Deadline: February 16.**

Delta Kappa Gamma International Society

This \$1,000 scholarship is for a graduating senior who plans a career in education. Students must be current high school seniors with at least a 3.0 GPA and active in the community. Students must also complete an essay. *If interested, pick up an application in East Guidance.*

Deadline: Postmarked by February 26.

Wright-Patterson Officers' Spouses' Club Scholarships

Eligible high school seniors may compete for one of several scholarships to be awarded for the 2014-2015 school year. Each student applicant must be a dependent of a military member (active duty, guard/reserve, or deceased) or of an Air Force civilian employee who is a member of one of the Wright-Patterson Clubs (Officers' Spouses, Enlisted Spouses, or Club and Banquet Center) to be eligible; each student may apply for only one OSC scholarship worldwide, regardless of current residence. For more details on eligibility and for the full application, please contact the WPOSC. *www.wrightpattersonosc.org*

Deadline: Postmarked by February 26.

Tzu Chi Scholars Program

This scholarship program is funded by Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation USA to recognize and provide financial assistance to outstanding college-bound high school graduates. For additional details and an application, visit the program's website. *nca.us.tzuchi.org/scholarship*

Deadline: March 2.

The Troy Foundation: "Life's a Journey...Don't Stop Believing" Scholarship

This \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a student that has gone above and beyond to assist their family during a time when a family member has suffered a medical crisis. Applicants must be nominated by a family member, mentor, or close friend. To nominate a student for this award, please visit the Troy Foundation's website and complete the nomination instructions by the deadline. Please contact Lisa Reynolds at Ireynolds@thetroyfoundation.org with any questions. *www.thetroyfoundation.org*

Nomination Deadline: March 25.

Lighthouse Guild Scholarship Program

The Lighthouse Guild offers an annual scholarship program for college-bound high school and graduate students who are legally blind. The program will award approximately 20 college-bound scholarships of \$10,000 each. For more information and an application, visit the organization's website. *www.lighthouseguild.org/scholarships* **Deadline: March 31.**

Fred and Lena Meijer Scholarship

Students who work full-time or part-time at Meijer or whose parents are employed by Meijer are eligible to apply for two \$10,000 scholarships and at least one hundred \$2,500 scholarships. Students may apply online, but will need their employee ID and Unit Number online with an updated school transcript to complete the application. https://meijerscholarship.egrant.net Deadline: April 1.

The William D. Squires Scholarship

The William D. Squires Educational Foundation is offering 15 scholarships to Ohio seniors who demonstrate financial need. Scholarships are \$4,000 per year and renewable for up to a total of \$16,000. Students must have a minimum GPA of 3.2 and must submit their FAFSA Student Aid Report (SAR) with an EFC of less than \$7,000. Students should also be highly motivated and be able to identify a specific career goal.

www.wmdsquiresfoundation.org

Deadline: Postmarked by April 5.

Ohio Association of Career Colleges Scholarships

The OACCS Legislative Scholarship Program is offering 280 scholarships for high school seniors enrolling in an Ohio Career College. Students must have a "C" average. Students do NOT need to demonstrate financial need. Local schools include: Fortis College (Centerville), ITT Tech (Columbus), the Art Institute of Ohio (Cincinnati), Kaplan College (Dayton), and Miami-Jacobs Career College (Springboro). Find more information, requirements, and forms at the OACCS website. https://omaccs.org/scholarships/

Application Deadline: April 6.

The Anthony Muñoz Foundation – Straight "A" Scholarship

The Straight "A" Scholarship is for deserving high school seniors in the Tri-State area. Applicants should demonstrate Academic excellence and Athletic achievement, Actively serve the community, possess strong Ambition, maintaining a winning Attitude, and overcome Adversity. Any high school student with a 3.0 GPA is eligible to be nominated. *www.munozfoundation.org*

Deadline: May 1.

UEW Healthcare EEOICPA Scholarship

This \$1,000 scholarship is open to any graduating senior. *www.uewhealth.com/eeoicpa-reca/#scholarship-application* **Deadline: July 31.**

American Legion Scholarships

For more information, visit www.legion.org/scholarships

Centerville "Hustle"-Rick C. Combs College Scholarship Award

The Centerville "Hustle" Program will award up to five \$1,000 scholarships to a Centerville High School graduating senior. The applicant must have a minimum of two years playing time for a Centerville "Hustle" program. Please check the application for additional scholarship criteria.

For more information and the application, visit the organization's website. Select "References" then "College Scholarships." www.centervillehustle.org

Deadline: TBD