

Big Scholarships List 2019

Coca-Cola Scholars

High school seniors carrying a minimum GPA of 3.0 can apply for \$20,000 achievement-based scholarships offered by the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation. **The Coca-Cola Scholars Program Scholarship** is an achievement-based scholarship awarded to 150 graduating high school seniors each year. Students are recognized for their capacity to lead and serve, and their commitment to making a significant impact on their schools and communities. Application opens 8/1/19 and is usually due at the end of October.

- <https://www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org/apply/#.Vh62NW41O5L>

James and Nellie Westlake Scholarship Program

The Westlake Scholarship Foundation was established to assist Missouri residents in pursuing a college education. Must be a Missouri resident who plans to attend college in Missouri, have a family adjusted gross income of \$50,000 or less and an expected family contribution (EFC) of less than \$7,000 and a 2.5 grade point average. Awards cover full cost of tuition, plus \$2,000. Application opens in December 2019 and is due in Feb 2020.

- <http://www.sms.scholarsapply.org/westlake/guidelines.pdf>

Dell Scholars Program

This is a program that looks beyond academic performance and grades, requiring only a minimum 2.4 GPA to apply. It rewards your determination to achieve great things through higher education. The Dell Scholars Program recognizes academic potential and determination in students that have participated in an approved College Readiness Program (UB is one) and show a definite need for financial assistance (must be eligible for a Pell Grant). Award is \$20,000, a laptop, and textbook credits, in addition to financial aid coaching and support staff for recipients. Application opens 10/1/19 and is due 12/1/19.

- <https://www.dellscholars.org/>

Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student Award

The Elks National Foundation will award 500 four-year scholarships to the highest-rated applicants in the 2020 competition. Applicants will be judged on scholarship, leadership, and financial need. Applications must be submitted to the Elks Lodge closest to the student's permanent U.S. address. Students or their families do not need to be members of the Elks Lodge to apply. Applications must advance through local, district and state competitions to reach national judging. Awards vary, but range from \$4,000-\$50,000. Application opens 8/5/19 and is due 11/5/19.

- <https://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/MVS.cfm>

Hagan Scholarship Program

The Hagan Scholarship awards scholarships based on need and merit to students graduating from a public high school in a county with fewer than 50,000 residents. Applicants must have an EFC of less than \$6500, a 23 or higher ACT score, and a 3.5 or higher GPA. Recipients must work a minimum of 240 hours in the 12 months prior to the start of each academic year of college. Awards cover up to \$6000 of unmet need per semester. Applications open 9/1/19 and are due 11/15/19.

- <https://haganscholarships.org/timeline/>

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Gates Scholarship

The Gates Scholarship covers the full cost of college attendance (after all other aid has been applied) for 300 recipients each year. Applicants must be a HS senior who identifies as African-American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian & Pacific Islander American, and/or Hispanic American. Applicants must also be Pell-eligible, have a minimum 3.3 GPA, and demonstrate exceptional leadership ability and personal success skills. Applications open in July and are due mid-September.

- <https://www.thegatesscholarship.org/scholarship>

Horatio Alger

The program specifically assists high school students who have faced and overcome great obstacles in their young lives. The scholarships are funded by Horatio Alger Members who, like the Scholars, have experienced challenges but ultimately overcame them to become successful business and civic leaders. Applicants must come from a family with a gross adjusted income of \$55,000 or less, be involved in co-curricular and community service activities, display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity, and have a GPA of 2.0 or higher. Awards are up to \$10,000 each; applications open August 1 and are due October 25.

- <https://scholars.horatioalger.org/scholarships/>

Jack Kent Cooke

The Cooke College Scholarship Program is available to high-achieving high school seniors with financial need who seek to attend and graduate from the nation's best four-year colleges and universities. Recipients are awarded up to \$40,000 to cover any unmet need after other financial aid is applied, and are eligible for educational advising, significant cohort-based programming, and graduate school funding. Applicants must have an unweighted GPA of 3.5 or above, an ACT of 26 or higher, and a family income of \$95,000 or below. Students must demonstrate meaningful leadership and service in their school or community, participation in available advanced courses, and perseverance in the face of challenges. Applications open August 1, 2019 and are due November 13, 2019.

- <https://www.jkcf.org/our-scholarships/college-scholarship-program/>