

SCHOLARSHIP & PROGRAM UPDATE

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Read the Daily Bulletin for additional information.

Check the rotating rack outside the CRC for new materials, which may not be listed on this update at the time of publication.

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- **About the application process:** Read all materials carefully. Follow instructions to the letter. Do not procrastinate about completing an application. Set a personal deadline date a week earlier than the posted deadline so you don't make last minute mistakes.
- Many applications require a student to be nominated by the high school. Please take all such applications to Mrs. Smith in the CRC. If you downloaded the application from the Internet or you found the application on this update, please inquire with Mrs. Smith the procedure the high school is using to make the nomination selection. Your application could be invalid if it does not go through the process used by the high school.
- The student portfolio is now available at www.asdk12.org/crc. Download the forms, either Word or Pages format, and input your data. **All** ERHS students can compile a portfolio. The portfolio is an organizational tool. How you choose to use this tool is up to you.
- Sign-up at <http://www.fastweb.com/> for this FREE scholarship search service. This is a well-known and much used site. You should update your information every 6 months, even while you are at postsecondary educational institutions.
- Visit www.college-visits.com to learn how to take a tour of college campuses and to view a complete list of tours. Also go to <http://www.collegeprofiles.com/> or www.ecampustours.com for even more information.
- CollegeWeekLive is a free, online event designed to connect prospective students with colleges and universities in a live, interactive environment. Visit <http://www.collegeweeklive.com/>.
- Collegeprofiles.com's custom searches allow students select colleges by location, cost and academic majors. Go to: <http://www.collegeprofiles.com>.
- Give www.zinch.com a try! It's a secure site where you can set up your own portfolio information that allows you get college information as well as be reviewed by colleges, apply to scholarships, chat with other students and much more!
- SchoolSoup may be the site for you to try for scholarships and financial aid. Go to <http://www.SchoolSoup.com>. They do not sell names or email addresses.
- This is a free scholarship search service with a database of over 2.4 million scholarships worth over \$14 billion; go to <http://www.scholarshipexperts.com> to peruse a wide variety of scholarship opportunities



Procedure to use the information provided below :

Find on this list those scholarships or programs that interests you. To get the application see Mrs. Smith in the CRC, call, send for or go to the web site listed. Scholarships that come in after this update has been published are available in the CRC. They will be added to the next issue of the update. Until then, stop by the CRC and take a look at what has come in recently.

Nominations are frequently done by the high school. All applications, for those needing one or two nominees selected by the school, must be given to Mrs. Smith in the CRC. A nomination committee will meet, select a nominee(s) and the school will submit the paperwork by the required deadline. This means the deadline to have the application to Mrs. Smith will be (one to two weeks) prior to the program's deadline. Questions? Talk to Mrs. Smith for clarification.

REMINDER: This list is only a small portion of scholarships that are available. There are additional resources in the CRC (computer, books, etc.) Bookstores and libraries also have resources. Use as many sources as you can because no single resource exists for all scholarships, grants, prizes or awards (free money.)

If you have any problems with the Internet addresses listed, use a search engine such as Google to locate information about that particular item. Programs can change their URL address. Notice of an address correction may not have been received by the high school.

NOTE: Please follow deadlines, directions, and description listed on the original application. The group or organizations sponsoring the scholarship or program have the final say.

The Anchorage School District and the high school are providing information about scholarships and programs that have been received. It is up to you to decide to apply or not. ASD and the high school shall not be held liable for problems that may arise from you applying to a scholarship or program.

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DEADLINE DETAILS

(An asterisk by an item denotes that it is new to the list.)



***JOBS &
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ANCHORAGE MUSEUM

DETAILS: Visit the following website for current openings:
http://www.anchoragemuseum.org/about/aboutus_employment.aspx
Current positions: Science guides, Teen Volunteer Program Assistant and Temporary Visitor Services Assistants

*** THE UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA COLLEGE SAVINGS PLAN**

AMOUNT: A \$25,000 college savings account or one of four \$2,500 scholarship accounts
DETAILS: When you contribute half of your PFD or your parent contributes half of their PFD to the College Savings Plan, you will automatically be entered to win a scholarship.

*** BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF AMERICA MONEY MATTERS SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS**

DETAILS: Contact your local Boys and Girls Club for complete details. Older teens (16-18) who complete the program and demonstrate their newly acquired financial literacy skills are eligible for \$2,000 scholarships from Charles Schwab Foundation. In addition, one teen is selected as the annual National Ambassador for the program and receives a \$5,000 scholarship.

- * **ALASKA PERFORMANCE SCHOLARSHIP**
 DETAILS: You can access complete current details for the scholarship at:
<http://www.APS.alaska.gov>
Categories of scholarships:
First Level (honors scholarship): High school GPA of 3.5 or higher; an ACT score of 25 or higher, or an SAT score of 1680 or higher, or a WorkKeys score of 5 or higher; for an award of \$4,755 per year for up to eight semesters.
Second Level (achievement scholarship): High school GPA of 3.0 to 3.49; an ACT score of 23 or higher, or an SAT score of 1560 or higher, or a WorkKeys score of 5 or higher; for an award of \$3,566 per year for up to eight semesters.
Third Level (opportunity scholarship): High school GPA of 2.5 to 2.99; an ACT score of 21 or higher, or an SAT score of 1450 or higher, or a WorkKeys score of 5 or higher; for an award of \$2,378 per year academic year for up to eight semesters.
Important note: WorkKeys assessments will establish eligibility only for career and technical programs resulting in a certificate. The WorkKeys assessments are in applied math, reading for information, and locating information.

HARVARD SCHOLARSHIPS

Harvard President Lawrence H. Summers announced in February 2004 a major new initiative designed to encourage talented students from families of low and moderate income to attend Harvard College. While the new initiative has four major components, including recruitment, admissions, and a summer academic program designed to prepare talented students from financially disadvantaged backgrounds for college; the financial aid component increases aid for students from low and moderate-income families. Beginning with the 2012-13 year, parents in families with incomes of less than \$65,000 will no longer be expected to contribute to the cost of attending Harvard for their children. In addition, Harvard will reduce the contributions expected of families with incomes between \$65,000 and \$150,000. If you know of a family with an honor student graduating from high school soon, Harvard University wants to pay the tuition. To find out more go to <http://www.fao.fas.harvard.edu/> or call the schools financial aid office at (617) 495- 1581.

- * **SERVICE ACADEMY SUMMER SEMINARS**
 NAVAL ACADEMY: <http://www.usna.edu/Admissions/nass.htm>
 WEST POINT: <http://admissions.usma.edu/MoreInfo/summer.cfm>
 AIR FORCE ACADEMY: <http://www.usafa.af.mil/rr/pubs/sss/sss/htm>
 COAST GUARD ACADEMY: <http://www.cga.edu>

- VARIES **CIRI FOUNDATION/COOK INLET REGION**
 AMOUNT: Vary for individual types of scholarships:
 Scholarship for Excellence - fall only, Achievement Scholarship - fall only, General Scholarship, Career Upgrade & Voc/Training Grants, General Fellowship
 DETAILS: Alaska Native enrollees to Cook Inlet Region, their descendants and spouses; Ninilchik enrollees, descendants and sponsors; Kenai Native Assoc. and Tyonek Native Corp.
 Complete information about scholarships can be found at:
 Web site: <http://www.thecirifoundation.org/>

- ? **ALASKA AEROSPACE DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**
 AMOUNT: Ten \$5,000 scholarships to be used at any University of Alaska campus, which may be renewable

DETAILS: Open to high school SENIORS seeking a Bachelor's degree in math, physics, engineering, business or technical field such as computer science; for more information go to <http://www.akaerospace.com>

*Monthly

SPIRIT OF YOUTH AWARD

DETAILS: The Spirit of Youth campaign salutes Alaskan teens that are making positive contributions in their communities. This recognition campaign includes prestigious state and local awards in addition to media coverage in local newspapers, on radio and television news. Nominees are invited to an annual banquet where they are eligible for cash scholarship awards. Nominations come from anyone who wishes to recognize a hard-working Alaskan teenager. Recommendations often come from school staff and board members, youth clubs and organizations, the business community, or other teenagers. Any community member inspired by a teen's efforts can submit a nomination! Nominations are reviewed at the end of every month. Nomination form available at <http://www.spiritofyouth.org>

Varies

SCHOOL SPECIFIC SCHOLARSHIPS should be considered along with general non-school specific scholarships. Inquire with each school's financial aid department as to what they have to offer in financial assistance besides loans.

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ROTC MILITARY SCHOLARSHIPS

DETAILS: To receive ROTC scholarship information for the Army, Navy, Air Force or Marines, you must be planning to attend college during the 2012 academic year. You can begin the application process in your junior year of high school. All applicants must register for, or have completed, the ACT or SAT. The web sites for the branches of service: www.armyrotc.com, www.nrotc.navy.mil/, www.afrotc.com

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COSTCO SCHOLRSHIP FUND

DETAILS: The Costco Scholarship Fund provides financial assistance to **highly qualified underrepresented minority students who wish to attend Seattle University or the University of Washington**. Students are considered for the Costco Scholarship as part of the normal financial aid process at each of these two universities. To learn more about the specific application procedures for the Costco Scholarship Fund, please contact: **Seattle University**
Office of Student Financial Services
University Services Building
900 Broadway
Seattle, WA 98122-4340
For specific questions regarding the Costco Scholarship Fund at Seattle University, you may email financialservices@seattleu.edu or call 206-296-2000 and select option 2.
Or **University of Washington**
Office of Student Financial Aid
105 Schmitz Hall
Box 355880
Seattle, WA 98195-5880

Additional information is available on the University of Washington's website. Please note that the Costco Scholarship is part of the Diversity Scholarship program on this campus. Major donors to the Diversity Scholarships include Costco and Chateau Ste. Michelle. For specific questions regarding these scholarships at the University of Washington, you may email osfa@u.washington.edu or call 206-685-3504

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GLOBAL LEADERS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM SPONSORED BY AMERICAN FIELD SERVICE

(AFS)

AMOUNT: Money is awarded until it runs out

DETAILS: Global Leaders is AFS's main scholarship program, offering partial need and merit-based scholarships to qualified applicants. Global Leaders scholarship applications are accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis, and we encourage students to submit all need and/or merit-based scholarship application materials at once. Candidates are urged to apply as early in the school year as possible-the earlier your application is reviewed, the larger the pool of available aid. The appropriate time to apply for scholarships is between the preliminary application and full application. Go to: <http://www.afsusa.org/study-abroad/scholarships/>

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each Month

FUND THE FUTURE KTUU TV

AMOUNT: \$3,000

DETAILS: Nominate in 300 words or less an Alaskan student who is 10 to 18 years old. Send your nomination form to KTUU via e-mail. One student per month will be chosen as our Fund the Future award recipient and will receive a \$3000 UA College Savings Plan account opened in their name. Student nominees and their parents must be willing to supply photographs and information for creation of a profile feature for air on KTUU Channel 2 as well as posting on www.ktuu.com. A student may be nominated more than once in an academic year (academic year runs September-July), but cannot win more than once per academic year. Nominations received by the 15th of each month will be considered for that month's award. Nominations received after this date will be held over to the next month. Go to <http://www.ktuu.com/features/fundthefuture/> to nominate a student.

Yearly

ALERT SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST SPONSORED BY ALERT MAGAZINE

AMOUNT: \$500

DETAILS: Open to high school SENIORS; write a 650-800 word essay concerning drug or alcohol abuse and its prevention; judging criteria: thesis statement, supporting content, grammar, punctuation, etc.; high school must be in one of the following states: Alaska, Colorado, Idaho, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Washington or Wyoming; GPA of 2.5 or better; must have plans to attend college after graduation in any state; more information at <http://www.alertmagazine.org/scholarship.php>

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NATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL ORATORICAL CONTEST

AMOUNT: Local - \$1,500 for first place; state winner participates at Regional level will win \$1,500; Regional winner but not to National Finals - \$3,000; National level -1st place - \$18,000, 2nd place - \$16,000, 3rd place - \$14,000

DETAILS: **9th-12th grade students;** Purpose is to develop a deeper knowledge and appreciation of the Constitution of the U.S. Other objectives of the contest include the development of leadership qualities, the ability to think and speak clearly and intelligently, and the preparation for acceptance of the duties and responsibilities, the rights and privileges of American citizenship. The student prepares two speeches, one to be memorized (8-10 minutes) and one extemporaneous (3-5 minutes); both must be on some phase of the Constitution of the US, which will give emphasis to the attendant duties, and obligations of a citizen to our government. Preparation is the key, so start early! Topics will be made available at <http://www.legion.org/oratorical> **You must enter**

Start early, this one is labor intensive!

the Eagle River local contest via Mrs. Smith if you attend Eagle River High School. Please give her your name if you plan on participating in this contest.

- JAN 27 **NORTH TO THE FUTURE BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN (Open to males and females)**
- 7:30 am to AMOUNT: \$1,000 scholarship each year for four years
Mrs. Smith DETAILS: High school SENIORS (male or female), fill out application, submit a copy of your portfolio or folder containing required materials to Mrs. Smith with application attached in portfolio; criteria: GPA of 2.5 or better, official transcript, statement of aims, goals, and objectives and reasons for attending college, budget, activities listed and three letters of recommendation; application available in the CRC.
- *JAN 31 **RYLA ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP 2012**
- AMOUNT: You are sponsored to attend the event at no cost to you. Incidentals will require spending money.
- DETAILS: Open to grades 10 and 11; conference will be held in Soldotna, Alaska from March 29 to April 30 at Solid rock bible Camp; teens from all over Alaska will meet and learn the fundamentals of leadership, ethics of positive leadership, communication skills, conflict management, build self-confidence and self-esteem and citizenship; application available at the CRC
- *? **ESA FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP/EPSILON SIGMA ALPHA INTERNATIONAL SORORITY/ALPHA IOTA CHAPTER**
- AMOUNT: Four \$500 general scholarships with one of them being doubled
- DETAILS: May be either a **SENIOR** high school student with a 3.0 GPA and will be a college freshman, or a college student presently enrolled in an accredited college or university with a "B" average, or enrolled for training in a technical school or returning to school after an absence or on-line credit tuition earned from an accredited school. Selection based on character, leadership and ability, financial need, and scholastic ability; may be applied toward tuition, registration, books, dorm fees, or any other college fees or academic expenses; used at colleges or technical programs; there is a \$5.00 processing fee for each scholarship applied for; more information and application at: <http://www.esaintl.com/esaf> Scholarships are also available for 2.0 to 3.2 GPA students
- FEB 1 **AXA ACHIEVEMENT COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP**
- AMOUNT: Up to twelve \$2,000 scholarships locally
- DETAILS: Scholarships are awarded to SENIOR high school students; are you active in your community? Have you led a project that benefits others? Have you overcome personal challenges? Visit <http://www.axa-equitable.com/axa-foundation/community-scholarships.html> for more information and an application
- FEB 10 **UAA & ANCHORAGE DAILY NEWS CREATIVE WRITING CONTEST**
received by AMOUNT: \$50 to \$200 varies for grade levels
- DETAILS: Open to grades 3 and under, college students and the general public; open to Alaska residents; categories are fiction, non-fiction, poetry, Blogs, 10 minute plays and video; read criteria at <http://www.creativewritingcontest@adn.com>

FEB 12

COLLEGE GOAL SUNDAY 2012 - HELP WITH THE FAFSA

DETAILS: This event is designed to help students and families, particularly low-income and first generation college goers, clear the paperwork hurdle when applying for college financial aid. Financial aid professionals from Alaska's higher education institutions and Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education join with local volunteers, to provide families assistance in completing the FAFSA. **You need to apply for a PIN number before you attend the session.** For the latest information check out the College Goal Sunday Web site at <http://www.alaskacollegegoalsunday.org>

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BEST BUY SCHOLARSHIP

AMOUNT: 1,200 scholarships each for \$1,000
DETAILS: Open to students in grades 9-12; The Best Buy Scholarship has been established to reward well-rounded students who have given back to their community or have work experience with solid grades. To learn more, visit <http://www.BestBuy-communityrelations.com> or <http://www.at15.com>

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UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FOUNDATION STATEWIDE (UA Southeast, UAA, UAF)

AMOUNT: 500 Scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$8,000
DETAILS: Students can apply for all Foundation Statewide Scholarships, those available to incoming Freshmen at any University of Alaska campus, with a single application; incoming freshmen, continuing students and transfer students can apply; you can apply for up to 4 different scholarships listed in the paperwork; Application available at <http://www.alaska.edu/foundation/scholarships/listing>. You must apply to the University of Alaska universities to use any of their scholarships.

FEB 15

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE SCHOLARSHIPS

AMOUNT: Amounts vary
DETAILS: Apply at the following website: <http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/scholarships/>

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UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA FAIRBANKS PRIVATELY-FUNDED SCHOLARSHIPS

AMOUNT: Varies
DETAILS: Open to INCOMING FRESHMAN (**seniors in high school**); You must apply for admission to be considered for the scholarships. Students should send the completed admissions application (with the scholarship supplement form) to the Office of Admissions at UAF. This is not the same application as the Foundation Scholarships; you should apply to both. Application available at <http://www.uaf.edu/scholarships>

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NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

AMOUNT: 155 Merit scholarships each \$6,000, renewable
DETAILS: High school SENIORS and transfer students who are planning to participate in college cooperative education. Schools participating in the program: **Drexel University, Johnson & Wales University, Kettering University, Rochester Institute of Technology, University of Cincinnati, Wentworth Institute of Technology, and the University of Toledo.** Must have a GPA of 3.5 or better; complete the application and one-page essay. The National Commission encourages minority and female students as well as students interested in Science-Math-Engineering-Technology to apply for a merit co-op scholarship; Contact the National Commission for Cooperative Education at ncce@neu.edu or 617-373-3406 or visit their website at www.co-op.edu for an application

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- FEB 17 **VICKI WEBB MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP/EAGLE RIVER AUXILIARY TO POST NO. 9785**
 AMOUNT: \$1,000 scholarship
 DETAILS: High school SENIOR; citizenship shall be the PRIMARY requisite in addition to leadership and financial need, a good, average, all-around student with a desire to further his/her education at an accredited institution of higher learning; application form at the CRC.
- FEB 18 **GE-REAGAN FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM**
 AMOUNT: 20 renewable scholarships of \$10,000 annually up to \$40,000 per recipient
 NOMINATION DETAILS: Open to high school SENIOR graduating winter 2011 or Spring 2012; must demonstrate exemplary leadership, drive, integrity and citizenship; must be nominated by a community leader, such as a high school principal, elected official or executive director of a nonprofit organization; be recommended by an authority figure, such as a student activity advisor, community service coordinator, coach, employer, teacher, counselor or religious leader; demonstrate strong academic performance (3.0 or greater GPA) demonstrate financial need; be a citizen of the US; apply at <http://reagan.convio.net/site/R?i=Fl0TY2Ipnx7tdkhN-md8iA>
- FEB 27 **DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY/ALASKA ALUMNAE CHAPTER**
 postmarked by AMOUNT: Several awards not to exceed \$1,000 each
 DETAILS: Open to minority high school SENIOR; award based on academic performance, essay, honors and activities, letters of recommendation and financial need; submit application, transcript, 2.5+ GPA, three letters of recommendation, essay not to exceed 400 words, current photo; must be enrolled in the Anchorage School District; application available at the CRC
- FEB 27 **ELMENDORF OFFICERS' SPOUSES' ORGANIZATION SCHOLARSHIPS**
 received by AMOUNT: Several \$1,000 scholarships
 DETAILS: Applicant must be the **son or daughter of an active-duty or retired active duty MILITARY MEMBER** and must live in the Anchorage area. (Anchorage area is from Wasilla to Girdwood.) Must have at least a 3.0 GPA; selection based on scholarship (3.0 GPA), leadership, and citizenship; application available at <http://www.elmendorfoso.com>
- *FEB 29 **FORT RICHARDSON SPOUSES' CLUB SCHOLARSHIP**
 postmarked by AMOUNT: At least five \$1,000 scholarships
 no hand- DETAILS: Open to graduating high school SENIORS or high school graduates seeking full-time or continuing undergraduate studies, or vocational carried applications school, etc.; The son or daughter of a service member, any branch of service, be active duty, reserve, national guard, retired, be assigned to Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson or DA/DOD Civilian employed at Joint Base or be an Richardson Spouses' Club member; complete application packet; Scholarships awarded based on academic achievement, personal accomplishments, community service and evaluation of an essay; application available in the CRC. Application can be found at <https://docs.google.com/open?id=0B2uxzbIpH0aAZjq0N2U1NWU+NjA1NC00ODNkLTkwZTQ+ZjkwYWMyZjA5MWE4> Or go to frsc.shutterfly.com.
- *FEB 29 **AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF DRILLING ENGINEERS (AADE) - ALASKA SECTION**
 received by AMOUNT: 3 \$1,000 scholarships
 DETAILS: Open to high school SENIORS; planning to attend the University of Alaska Fairbanks, Anchorage or Southeast; plan to enroll in a degree program in petroleum engineering or related engineering discipline with the intent to pursue a career in the petroleum

exploration/production industry; submit the application, 300 word essay on "Why have you chosen a career path in the oil industry?" and official transcript; go to <http://www.aade.org>; application available at the CRC

FEB 29

POINTS OF LIGHT YOUTH LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE TRAINING

AMOUNT: Registration fee: \$100, financial aid requests can be made.

DETAILS: Camp to be held March 12-16, 2012, 9 am to 5 p.m.; open to young people grades 8-12; a regional youth leadership training designed to develop the skill of youth leaders to implement community service projects which benefit the youth and community; improve your leadership skills and make a positive difference in the community; selection is based on written application, personal motivation, and commitment to serve the community; this type of experience looks great on a scholarship application or resume under leadership skills! Call 561-6630 or e-mail: alaskayouthresources@alaska.net or visit the site at <http://www.pyli.org>

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GILLAM FOUNDATION/MCKINLEY CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

AMOUNT: Up to \$10,000 scholarship

DETAILS: Open to high school SENIOR; will be attending a four-year university full-time during the 2012-2013 academic year; must have a minimum GPA of 2.75; pursue course work in the following global commerce fields: business administration, economics, accounting, finance, marketing, communications, human resources, computer science, mathematics, securities trading and research, portfolio management, or another technical area or other areas of entrepreneurial study; scholastic achievement is considered along with recommendation and your potential for success in the money management industry; you will need to provide personal information, photo, academic achievement and university/college aspirations, essay describing a business you would start and the strategy to make it succeed, statement of financial need; get an application at <http://www.gillamfoundation.org> and follow the directions for submitting your application.

MAR 1

ENGINEERGIRL! ESSAY CONTEST

AMOUNT: First Place - \$500; Second Place - \$250; Third Place - \$100

DETAILS: Open to girls and boys in grades 3-12; write about the role of engineering in providing safe and nutritious food; details and rules can be found at <http://www.engineergirl.org/CMS/contest/food2012.aspx>

*MAR 5

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP FOR STUDENTS WITH PARENTS WITH DISABILITIES

AMOUNT: Five \$1,000 awards

DETAILS: Selection criteria for all scholarships include academic performance, community activities and service, letters of recommendation and an essay describing the experience of growing up with a parent with a disability.

1. High School Seniors. To be eligible, a student must be a high school graduate (or graduating senior) by Summer 2011, planning to attend college in Fall 2011 and have at least one parent with a disability. Five separate \$1,000 awards will be given out in Fall 2011. Individuals may submit only one application per award period.
2. College Students. To be eligible, a student must be currently enrolled in a college or university, be 21 years of age or younger as of March 16, 2011, and have at least one parent with a disability. Five separate \$1,000 awards will be given out in Fall 2011. Individuals may submit only one application per award period.

Scholarships Coordinator, Through the Looking Glass

The National Center for Parents with Disabilities and their Families
2198 Sixth Street, Suite 100
Berkeley, CA 94710
(800) 644-2666 (voice)
(800) 804-1616 (TDD/TTY)
FAX: (510) 848-4445
For application and information go to the Website: <http://www.lookingglass.org>

MAR 12

DENALI ALASKAN ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS

AMOUNT: Five \$2,000 scholarships to seniors statewide
DETAILS: Student must be a high school SENIOR at a public high school; must use the scholarship to attend a licensed/certified program; have a minimum of 2.25 GPA; be enrolled as a full-time student. Must be a primary member of the credit union (first person named on the account). You can easily join if you are not currently a member of the credit union. Application and recommendation forms available at <http://www.denalifcu.org/teenpower>

MAR 20

ANTHEM ESSAY CONTEST/AYN RAND'S NOVELETTE

AMOUNT: First Prize: \$2,000 cash; 5 second prizes: \$500; 10 third prizes: \$200; 45 Finalist prizes, \$50; 175 Semifinalist prizes, \$30 each
DETAILS: **9th and 10th graders who have read the *Anthem***; Chose one of the three topics listed at www.aynrand.org/contests/ant; Essay must be at least 2 double-spaced, typewritten pages in length, and must not exceed 3 double-spaced pages in length and must be no fewer than 600 words nor more than 1,200 words; submit your essay online at: <http://www.aynrandnovels.com/> or mail your essay.

*MAR 31

SUPERPOWER SCHOLARSHIP

AMOUNT: Not listed
DETAILS: Open to US students 13 years of age or older; respond (250 words max.) "Which superhero or villain would you want to change places with for a day and why?" Apply at: <http://www.scholarshipexperts.com/apply.htm>

MAR 31

YOUNG AMERICAN CREATIVE PATRIOTIC ART CONTEST SPONSORED BY THE EAGLE RIVER VFW POST 9785 LADIES AUXILIARY

AMOUNT: Locally, \$50 for 1st Place; Nationally, three scholarships ranging from \$10,000 to \$2,500
DETAILS: Open to high school students in grades 9-12, the contest is to recognize, reward and encourage students to use their artistic talents to express their patriotism visually through their art; enter by submitting the entry form with artwork to the Eagle River VFW Post 9785 Ladies Auxiliary. Application available at the CRC.

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CREDIT UNION 1 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM/BILL COUNTRYMAN

AMOUNT: Several scholarships in the amount of \$500 each
DETAILS: Open to students presently enrolled in college, SENIOR high school students, and junior high school students through 11th grade applying for Johns Hopkins CTY Program; student or parent **must be a member of the credit union for at least one year or more**; must show financial need; good academic record; record of community involvement; extra-curricular activities; must state future plans/goals; Application available in the CRC. HINT: This is where your portfolio comes in handy!

- APR 1 **ALASKA BROADCASTERS ASSOCIATION LINDA SIMMONS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**
 AMOUNT: \$2,000
 DETAILS: Open to high school SENIOR who has graduated or completed the GED requirements; must be pursuing a degree or certificate at a community college, college, university or professional trade school; must be pursuing public relations, journalism, advertising, radio and/or television broadcasting as a major course of study; candidates pursuing major studies in other fields, but whose main interest is in communication profession, will be considered only in the event there are no candidates who have those fields of study as their major; must demonstrate excellence in academic performance, discipline/attitude and attendance; submit application, three letters of reference and write a short essay expressing personal goals; application materials can be found on the website: <http://alaskabroadcasters.org/scholarship/info.html>
- APR 2 **EXXONMOBIL BERNARD HARRIS MATH AND SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIPS**
 AMOUNT: Two females, two males at \$5,000 each; (two African American and two Hispanic students)
 DETAILS: Available for 2011 graduating high school SENIORS in school districts represented by the Council of the Great City Schools (ASD is a member). Link to the program and application: <http://www.cgcs.org//site/Default.aspx?PageID=47>.
- APR 26 **COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP ESSAY CONTEST ON AYN RAND'S NOVEL THE FOUNTAINHEAD**
 Postmarked by AMOUNT: 1st prize \$10,000 cash; five-2nd prizes, \$2,000; ten-3rd prizes, \$1,000; forty-five \$100 Finalist Prizes; 175 semifinalist prizes, \$50
 DETAILS: High school **JUNIORS AND SENIORS**; select ONE of three topics and relate to the novel *The Fountainhead* and write at least 800 and no more than 1,600 words; topics are listed on contest information at: <http://www.aynrandnovels.com/>
- MAY 31 **WISECHOICE "FIND THE RIGHT COLLEGE" SCHOLARSHIP**
 AMOUNT: \$2,500
 DETAILS: To be eligible you must be a US student graduating from high school in 2012-2015; for complete details, including eligibility requirements, entry instructions and prize details, please see Official Rules at <http://www.wisechoice.com/?sid=qcfx>
- JUNE 15 **ABBOT & FENNER SCHOLARSHIP**
 AMOUNT: \$1,000
 DETAILS: OPEN to all high school juniors and seniors as well as all students currently registered in any accredited post-secondary institution. Between the ages of 16 and 30; To apply for this scholarship you will need to write an 500 to 1000 word essay on: *What was the most difficult time in your life, and why? How did your perspective on life change as a result of this difficulty?* Your submissions must be sent by email at scholarships@abbottandfenner.com Additional information at: <http://www.abbottandfenner.com/scholarships.htm>
- JUNE 22 **BIGSUN ORGANIZATION ATHLETIC SCHOLARSHIP**
 AMOUNT: \$500
 DETAILS: Open to young athletes who participates in any sport who are high school SENIORS or will be attending a postsecondary institution and currently involved in some sport at that institution. To apply, please visit: <http://www.bigsunathletics.com>

SCHOOLS, PROGRAMS & EVENTS

College and Program representative visits, dates and times are subject to change. You must sign-up in the CRC to attend daytime sessions. To give you a jumpstart, you can go online to find a school's information and then talk to a representative.

Alaska Railroad Tour Guide Program	Jan 18 Due Date	Application is available online at http://www.asdk12.org/events/PDFs/KCC_3rd.pdf . Complete the application, print it off and attach the additional requested documents. Deadline to submit application to the KCC Main Office is Jan. 13. Program is open to high school juniors and seniors. It's a possible summer job. Classes held at KCC Jan 23 - Apr 14 from 3:00-5:30 pm. Bus transportation provided ONLY to KCC, you have to find transportation home.
Saint Martin's University	Jan 26	Representative will be visiting in the CRC during 3 rd hr. Sign up in the CRC if interested in attending.
UAA Preview Day	Feb 3	We will be taking a bus to UAA. This will be an all-day event and requires a signed permission slip to attend. See Mrs. Smith in the CRC for more information.
Accuplacer Test	March 1st test date at ERHS	Open to JUNIORS for free; sign up with Mrs. Smith in the CRC; this is a placement test for English and math and is a good indicator where you would be placed in college classes, taking it as a junior gives you time to brush up on skills or take classes to be up to speed and ready for college English and math classes
Student Portfolios for ALL high school students	Keep working on your portfolio	To get organized, start your portfolio early in high school. Format guidelines are available in the CRC or on the ERHS website, go to Offices then to Career Resource Center then to portfolio and download the forms or go to http://www.asdk12.org/crc .
Certified Nursing Assistant Orientation	Check for dates and times	Find a Career Pathway to a healthcare profession. Call Midtown at 269-4759 or Muldoon at 269-0000 for more information. Or go to http://www.jobs.state.ak.us
College Week Live for FREE online college fairs	Ongoing	Chat live with admissions reps from 300+ colleges; find \$2.5 million in financial aid & scholarship; watch student video web casts; get admissions advice from experts; be eligible to win a \$10,000 CollegeWeekLive Scholarship and HP Technology. Go to: http://www.CollegeWeekLive.com to sign up.
Fire Explorers Post		Go to: http://anchoragefireexplorers.com/dotnetnuke/Recruitment.aspx Fire Explorers http://post264.com
Senior Project Application (During the school year)	DEADLINE to apply on or before 2:30 pm Feb 15	If you would like to be recognized at graduation for your volunteerism, you can apply by submitting your senior project contract (available at the CRC) on or before Feb. 15. You must hold your entry interview with both advisors at one meeting, get signatures and turn in

		your contract to Mrs. Smith. Then you can start counting your hours for volunteering.
Apprenticeship Programs		Go to: http://earnandlearnak.org/ to learn more about over 1,000 occupations and how you can learn and earn at the same time!
Be a COACH for the Special Olympics Alaska Anchorage		Coaches needed for floor hockey, downhill skiing, basketball, power lifting, track & field and swimming. For more information call: Donna Davidson 222-6853 or email dkdavidson@gci.net
Physical Therapy, Athletic Training, Sports Medicine Career Information Training	Inquire	If you are interested in sports or medicine, combining the two can lead to an exciting future in sports medicine. Courses to be held at Advanced Physical Therapy of Alaska. No previous experience required. Learn techniques to prevent injuries, learn about common athletic injuries, and learn about career opportunities and more. For more information contact Barbara Taylor, Certified Athletic Trainer via e-mail atc_aptak@hotmail.com .
Got a big test? Get help taming the homework monster!		Find complete AP, ACT, PSAT, SAT, GED test & more at Testing and Education Reference Center! Live homework help! Go to http://www.sled.alaska.edu/homework.html or http://www.sled.alaska.edu/databases/az.html
Are you paying attention to SAT and ACT test dates?	Exact dates on each web site.	To register, go to http://www.act.org/ for the ACT and http://www.collegeboard.com/ for the SAT. We recommend that juniors take one SAT and one ACT second semester of their junior year. You can repeat the tests if you don't like your scores. ACT has an optional writing section with the assessment portion of the test, but we recommend you do the writing too. Students' high schools must receive ACT/SAT scores before high school graduation. Take the test early, and have your scores sent to your high school. SAT Online Registration: Include your high school code when you register. Your scores will be sent about five weeks after the test. ACT Online Registration: List your high school and check the "YES" box to authorize ACT to release your scores. Your scores will be sent 3-8 weeks after the test.
Military recruiters from each branch of service	Lunches	Available at lunch in the CRC on specific days of the week. Sign-up in the CRC to let the recruiter know you are interested. You may have food in the CRC and eat your lunch while you talk to the recruiter.
Alaska Native Heritage Center High School After-School Program	Ongoing	Choose from a variety of courses, Alaska Native arts, Alaska Native Dance, Communication through Technology, Alaska Native Games or Leadership. Go to http://www.alaskanative.net Transportation is provided to the Center and back to Eagle River WalMart.

ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **TRANSCRIPTS:** Students will need either an official (stamped, signed and sealed) or an unofficial (a copy) transcript for application to various programs. The student needs to determine which type will be needed. If you need an **official** transcript, the transcript must be ordered online at www.asdk12.org. The first six official transcripts, if mailed by the high school, will be free postage for the student provided a complete mailing address has been given to the registrar. Postage will be charged to the student starting with the seventh transcript. If an **unofficial** transcript is needed, request your counselor make a copy, which is to be picked up by the student. Mrs. Morales, ERHS Registrar, will not use Federal Express, Certified Mail, or Two-day UPS to send transcript/applications.
- **WUE @ <http://www.wiche.edu/sep/wue>.** You may qualify for the Western Undergraduate Exchange (WUE) program if you meet the necessary requirements. You can attend specific colleges at a reduced tuition rate. **Submit your college application as early as possible to ensure consideration because the many programs are based on a space available basis.** Most schools have no specific application for the program. **Use the college's paper admission form and place at the top in red letters "WUE APPLICATION/major area of study" (area of study must be listed at the website).** If you are applying electronically, there may be a box to check for WUE consideration. **If there is no box, you will need to notify the school to let them know you want WUE consideration before or with your application.** Please visit the above Internet site for current information.
- **JUNIORS:** In the spring of your junior year, you can start applying for ROTC SCHOLARSHIPS and ACADEMIES. You will complete and submit the paperwork during the beginning of your senior year. See a recruiter, Mrs. Smith or go to the individual military branch web sites for more information: www.armyrotc.com, www.nrotc.navy.mil/, or www.afrotc.com
- **NCAA INFORMATION** If you are planning on playing a sport in college, **speak to your counselor early in high school to make sure that you are taking the appropriate classes for NCAA eligibility.** Visit the web site <http://web1.ncaa.org/eligibilitycenter/common/> and follow the prompts to complete the application.
- **INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS** will have financial aid and scholarship information. If you are planning to attend a specific school, you need to send for information about the various types of aid and scholarships available at that school. Addresses for all the schools are available in the CRC, on the Internet or via the AKCIS program. For the user name and password to AKCIS, please contact Mrs. Smith via smith_catherine@asdk12.org.
- **STUDENT EXCHANGES** If you have been an exchange student you may be eligible for scholarships or tuition waivers at specific institutions. Check with the program that you did your exchange with to see if scholarships or waivers are available.
- **PERSONAL RECORDS** Make a copy of the original application form and use this as a working copy. When you have the form completed (in pencil) transfer the information to the original form, usually typed. If not typed use blue or black ink, make a copy for your records and submit the application to the college or the sponsor of the scholarship or program. If you apply online, make a copy of the application for your records.
- **COMMON APPLICATION** Go on-line at <http://www.commonapp.org/> to apply to 456 colleges and universities, both public and private to help simplify the application process for you. Not all colleges will accept the common application. If the colleges you will be applying to accept the common application you will save time by filling out one application instead of several different applications, one for each school.
- **SAT and ACT registration materials** are available in the Career Resource Center and you can register online at <http://www.collegeboard.com/> for the SAT and <http://www.actstudent.org/> for the ACT. Watch those deadlines and plan ahead. Don't get caught having to pay for a late fee because you weren't organized.

- **TEST SCORES**: Your SAT and ACT scores will be sent to your home address provided you check the box to have the scores sent to your home. SAVE these score sheets in your student portfolio for future use. Your PSAT and PLAN scores are NOT sent to your home. You must pick them up scores in the CRC before or after school or during your lunch. Please allow time for an interpretation session. AP scores are sent to your home during the summer (July) and will not be posted to your cumulative folder at the high school.
- **MILITARY RECRUITERS** are available to talk to students in the career resource center at the student's lunch hour. Specific branches will have specific days of the week that they will visit the school. Due to limited staffing some branches of service will talk to students on an appointment basis. Check with Mrs. Smith for the schedule for each branch.
- **MALES and SELECTIVE SERVICE**: It's the Law--if you don't register with the **Selective Service** when you turn 18, or within 30 days of your 18th birthday, you will miss out on thousands of dollars in student financial aid and job training as well as good federal jobs. Register at your local post office or on the Internet at <http://www.sss.gov/>. It's quick and easy.
- **JOBS** Be sure to sign up for ALEXsys Alaska's New Job Bank by going to www.jobs.state.ak.us and getting registered. There is great information about resume' writing, interviewing skills, job postings and much more!
- **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**: Take a look at the binder in the CRC with volunteer site suggestions. Be a volunteer! It's for all students, not just high school seniors!
- **TEST PREP.**: There are numerous sites to practice for the SAT, ACT, ACCUPLACER, and the HSQE. You can use a search engine to find sites. Going to the SAT and ACT on-line programs will give you practice formats for these tests. Type in 'ACCUPLACER practice questions' and you will be given lots of test preparation information. The ASD main web page will give links to HSGQE practice tests. Give <http://www.march2success.com> a try. This is another site providing practice questions for tests.