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It has been quite a busy time in College Counseling processing applications for the November 1st and November 15th deadlines. If you have a January 1 deadline, be sure to have your materials into your counselor by December 5. If you are interested in being considered for a merit scholarship at a particular college or university, be sure you know the deadline that your application must be completed and if there is a separate scholarship application.

Keep in touch with your counselor and keep us advised when you hear from the colleges.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Deadline	Scholarship Description
December 1	Burger King Scholars – RCHS may nominate one student to compete nationwide. If you wish to be considered for nomination and you have a GPA of 2.5 unweighted, work an average of 15 hours per week, demonstrated participation in community service and/or co-curricular activities, demonstrated financial need, can obtain written recommendations and signatures from both a school official and employer (neither of who is related to applicant) and plan to enroll in an accredited two or four year college, university, or vocational-technical school no later than Fall 2004, see Mrs. Atkinson or your counselor by December 1.
December 1	Randolph Macon Woman's College Presidential Scholars Program Scholarship – Presidential Scholars' characteristics include academic strength, focus, and the desire to be inspired through the process of learning and challenge. They are leaders, scholars, and good citizens. If you are interested in Randolph Macon Woman's College and have these characteristics you may request an application directly from the college. One is available in college counseling.
December 1	Toyota Community Scholars – If you wish to be considered to be the nominee from RCHS, please see Mrs. Atkinson by December 1. Nominees must have a GPA of 3.0 or better, be actively involved in a service organization or project that has a positive impact on the school and/or community, plan to pursue an undergraduate degree at an accredited four-year college or university. You must bring your resume and description of service project or organization.
December 5	Appalachian State University Scholarships including the Seby Jones Scholarship – If the scholarship application is submitted by December 5 and an admission application is on file by December 1, you will be considered. You may obtain applications online at www.appstate.edu or by calling the Office of Admissions. Two are available in college counseling.
December 15	Ithaca College Park Scholar Award – Students interested in the field of communication and are considering Ithaca College should see Mrs. Atkinson. Twenty entering freshmen will be awarded this full cost of attendance scholarship. Application to Ithaca must be completed by December 15 and student must apply for admission to one of the following majors: journalism, integrated marketing, communications, television-radio, or organizational communication, learning and design. A completed Park Scholar application must be submitted by January 15. Additional information is available in college counseling or at www.ithaca.edu .

- December 15** **Washington and Lee University George Washington Honor Scholarship Program**
 Washington & Lee grants all merit-based scholarships through the George Washington Honor Scholarship Program and are awarded on the basis of academic excellence and uncommon extracurricular engagement. All honor scholarships are renewable for four years. The selection process is highly competitive and requires a supplementary Honor Scholarship essay application due with the completed admission application by **December 15**. The Heinz scholarship is a full cost award, featuring extensive internship and mentoring opportunities, offered through a unique partnership with the Heinz Company Foundation and is awarded with preference to minority students or those from disadvantaged backgrounds. The full-tuition Weinstein Scholarship recognizes students who will actively involve themselves in the growing Jewish community. The full-tuition Gilreath Scholarship is bestowed upon a top prospective chemistry major. For more information and to download an application see <http://admissions.wlu.edu/forms>
- December 15** **AXA Achievement Scholarship** – To qualify students should be well-rounded, committed to making a difference and have demonstrated achievement – at a job, sport or extracurricular activity. Winners are people who will succeed in life because they possess an extra element of grit and determination. For more information and application visit www.axa-achievement.com.
- January 15** **East Carolina University Academic Merit Scholarship Program** – Candidates should have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.5 and SAT scores above 1300, plus rank in the upper 5 percent of their class. A record of extracurricular activities demonstrating a breadth of interests and leadership capabilities is required. The preliminary application is due on or before January 15. Preliminary applications are available in college counseling or from ECU.
- January 15** **Furman University Herman Warden Lay Scholarship** – Full tuition, fees, room and board at Furman. Consideration is given to academic record, extracurricular involvement, character and personality and personal achievement. Application available in college counseling or from Furman admissions.
- January 15** **USDA/1890 National Scholars Program** – The National Scholars Program is a major effort of the United States Department of Agriculture and the seventeen 1890 Historically Black Land-grant Institutions, to award scholarships to students to attend one of the seventeen universities and study agriculture, food, or natural resource sciences. The award provides annual tuition, employment, employee benefits, use of a personal computer and software, fees, books, and room and board for each of the 4 years. Information and application available in college counseling.
- January 16** **Appalachian State University Computer and Mathematical Sciences Scholarship** – Available to students intending on majoring in computer science, mathematics, or statistics and who demonstrate financial need and have a GPA of 3.0 and a minimum SAT of 1050 or Math section score of 600. Complete eligibility rules and application information is available at www.cs.appstate.edu/csems.
- January 16** **Florence Kidder Memorial Scholarship** – The National Society of Colonial Dames of America in the State of North Carolina will award a scholarship of \$3000 and a runner-up scholarship of \$1000 to two North Carolina seniors. The Wake County committee will also select a local winner for a \$500 award and a runner-up for a \$250 award. Recipients will be selected on the basis of character, need, and scholastic record, as well as the relative merit of a submitted essay. Applications available in college counseling.
- January 16** **Gates Millennium Scholars** – Award is based on financial need. To be nominated the applicant must meet the following criteria: be African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander, American or Hispanic American, are a citizen/legal permanent resident or nation of the United States, have attained a cumulative GPA of 3.3 on a 4.0 scale, will be entering a US accredited college or university as a full-time degree seeking freshmen in fall of 2004, have demonstrated leadership abilities through participation in community service, extracurricular or other activities, and meet the Federal Pell Grant eligibility criteria.
- January 23** **Prospective Teachers Scholarship Loan** – Minimum SAT of 900 and minimum GPA of 3.0 required to apply for this scholarship loan. Recipients are eligible to receive \$2,500 per academic year for up to 8 semesters if pursuing a teaching degree. Information and applications available in college counseling.
- January 30** **Johnson & Wales National Outstanding Student Leader of the Year** – This program recognizes young community leaders of today and tomorrow. Winners of the competition will receive scholarships to Johnson & Wales University. Information available in college counseling or at www.jwu.edu.
- January 31** **Papa John's Scholars** – Any student with a 2.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale may apply for this \$1,000 college scholarship. The selection committee will consider the following: creative ability, community involvement, academic achievement, obstacles overcome, quality of character, meaningful objectives achieved, life goals and interests, demonstrated leadership, and athletic achievement. Application available in college counseling or at www.papajohnsscholars.com.

- February 1** **Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship** – Students who have a minimum SAT of 900, GPA minimum of 3.0, in upper 20% of class may apply to be one of the two nominees from RCHS. Application and information available in college counseling.
- February 1** **Elon University’s Leon and Lorraine Watson North Carolina Scholarship Program** – Up to 8 recipients will be chosen. To qualify students must be North Carolina residents who have attended for one or more years and will graduate from a North Carolina high school, demonstrate high financial need (with preference to Pell-eligible students), have a strong record of academic achievement. Applications available in college counseling.

CONTESTS

Deadline	Description
January 10, 2004	2004 John F. Kennedy Profile in Courage Essay Contest- All U.S. high school students are invited to write an original essay on the subject of political courage. Seven winners will receive awards totaling \$6,500. For essay topic, registration form and to submit your essay online, see www.jfkcontest.org
January 16, 2004	Johnson & Wales Recipe Contest - For more information see denverevents@jwu.edu .

Information websites

Healthcare management as a career? Visit www.HealthManagementCareers.com

College Open Houses

Mars Hill College –January 19 and April 17

Meredith College –January 30

Western Carolina – February 7, March 19, April 17