

WHEELER HIGH SCHOOL 2016-2017 SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

Guidance Department

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The following is a master list of scholarship information that is continually being received by the Guidance Department during the 2016-2017 academic year and is updated bi-monthly or as scholarships become known to the Guidance Department. It lists scholarship opportunities for seniors who plan to attend college/trade school in the fall of 2017. All of the applications (and further information) are available in the guidance office unless otherwise noted. All of these scholarship opportunities are distributed to seniors by being posted in senior English, Government, and Economics teachers' classrooms, as well as senior Resource classes.

Due to the number of students in the senior class and the number of scholarship opportunities available, it is the student's responsibility to check and follow up on each listing as it becomes available. Remember, this is just a list of the opportunities that were given to Wheeler High School; this does not include every scholarship opportunity available. There are many free websites available dedicated to scholarship searches (i.e., www.fastweb.com, www.collegeboard.com/paying, www.winscholarships.com, etc.), and we recommend that you contact each school that is being considered to inquire about their scholarship/financial aid information.

Please note that many of these scholarships are school specific.

CONSTRUCTION ADVANCEMENT FOUNDATION

The Construction Advancement Foundation is pleased to announce a scholarship available to students pursuing a career in construction or related field, such as Engineering. Recipients must be Indiana residents, be pursuing a career in construction or related field, have a high school GPA of a 3.0 or greater, pass an annual hair follicle drug test, be a U.S. citizen, and can be either a full or part-time student. Students will have their extracurricular activities evaluated. There is no restriction as to the school the student attends, but students who are attending online schools are discouraged from applying. The annual scholarship is \$2,500, but students cannot receive more than \$10,000. Please come to the guidance department to pick up an application.

Application deadline is March 31, 2017.

CROWN POINT COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

The Crown Point Community Foundation is accepting scholarship applications for students outside Crown Point. Visit www.thecpcf.org for a list of scholarship opportunities. Applications will be submitted via the website, as well. For questions, please call 219-662-7252 or email info@thecpcf.org.

Application deadline is March 17, 2017.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE SPECIFIC SCHOLARSHIPS

<http://www.bestcolleges.com/financial-aid/criminal-justice-scholarships/>

DOLLARS FOR SCHOLARS

Union Township Dollars for Scholars applications are now available online. Go to uniontownshipdollarsforscholars.org to apply.

Applications are due by April 7, 2017.

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Elks Foundation is awarding 500 scholarships to high school seniors nationwide for most valuable student (MVS). The first- and second-place awards are among the largest scholarships provided by any major fraternal or service organization. Scholarships range from \$50,000 to \$4,000. Applicants are judged on scholarship, leadership, and financial need. Scholarship information can be found at www.enf.elks.org/mvs. Application deadline is November 30, 2016.

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Elks Foundation is offering an Emergency Educational Grant up to \$4,000 to children of deceased or totally disabled Elks. Eligibility includes: Attend an accredited US college or university full-time, demonstrate financial need, and be unmarried and under the age of 23 as of December 31 in the year of the application. Applications are available by request between May 1 and October 31 of the academic year for which assistance is required. To obtain an application, contact the ENF Scholarship Office at 773-755-4732 or at www.scholarship@elks.org.

ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Elks Foundation is offering a Legacy Award scholarship to 250 college-bound seniors worth \$4,000 each to children and grandchildren of Elks members. Eligibility includes: High school senior who is child or grandchild of dues-paying Elks. Applicants are judged on knowledge, charity, community service, and integrity. Applications can be found at www.enf.elks.org/leg. Application is due on or before February 3, 2017 at 11:59 am (CST).

THE FUND FOR HOOSIER EXCELLENCE

Indiana is awarding its annual Richard G. Lugar Minority Scholarship for the 2017-2018 college academic year. Students must meet the following criteria: Be a minority high school senior (African American, Hispanic, or Native American), intend to enroll in an Indiana college or university, have a minimum combined critical reading and math SAT scores of 1000 or ACT composite score of 22, and have a 3.0 GPA or higher (on a 4.0 scale). Pick up an application in the guidance office if interested in applying. Nominations are due to the State by December 16, 2016; students must have their application into the guidance department by December 13, 2016.

GENERAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS, INDIANA FEDERATION OF CLUBS – NORTH WEST DISTRICT

Graduating seniors interested in the field of nursing should stop by the guidance department for an application. Application requirements include a written essay, written letter of recommendation from a counselor, teacher or principal, current high school transcript, and the signature of the President of the sponsoring GFWC/IFC Club. Application deadline is March 1, 2017.

INDIANA ACADEMIC ALL-STARS

INDIANA ACADEMIC ALL-STARS (31st year of this program, recognizing 12th grade students) is giving away scholarship money. Go to https://www.dropbox.com/sh/14jln0gw8nt7ya8/AADjr-0b7FC_LoZf10xdOvVoa?dl=0 for information. Nomination Deadline February 3, 2017. Each school may nominate one student. To be considered for nomination, please submit a one-paragraph essay as to why you should be chosen as the nominee by Wheeler High School along with your transcript to the Guidance Department. The student who is chosen will then submit an official application from the dropbox website listed above.

The Guidance Department must have your request to be nominated by January 27, 2017. Nominee's application deadline is February 3, 2017 from dropbox instructions above.

INDIANA ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATIONAL OFFICE PROFESSIONALS

The Indiana AEOP is offering \$1,000 scholarship yearly to Indiana graduating seniors. This scholarship is designed to assist a business education student who wishes to continue his/her education in an office-related career. Criteria includes: (40%) Scholastic, (30%) Need, (10%) Self-Help, (10%) Recommendations, (10%) Biographical Sketch (application and essay). Applications can be found in the Guidance Department.

Application deadline is February 5, 2017 (postmarked by) or February 10, 2017 (emailed by).

INDIANA SHERIFFS' ASSOCIATION

The Indiana Sheriffs' Association is awarding forty \$500 scholarships to qualified students who are pursuing an education and career in the criminal justice field. Applicants must be an Indiana Resident, attend an Indiana College or University, major in a law enforcement field, and enroll as a full-time student (12 hours). Applicants must also be an active affiliate or associate member of the Indiana Sheriffs' Association or dependent child or grandchild or an active affiliate or associate member of the association. If you do not meet the membership requirement, an application for membership is attached to the application. Applications are available in the guidance department.

Application deadline is April 1, 2017.

INDIANA UNIVERSITY

Indiana University is awarding several scholarships to seniors attending IU next fall. Scholarships include Provost's Scholarship (\$1,000-\$8,000 per year), Dean's Scholarship (\$1,000-\$11,000 per year), along with selective scholarships. Stop by the guidance department for information.

Application deadline is November 1, 2016.

JIM & BETTY DYE SCHOLARSHIP

The James & Betty Dye Foundation is giving scholarships ranging from \$500-\$3,700 per semesters (\$4,000-\$30,000 total) to graduates. The minimum requirements include the following: 1650 (old) SAT, 1100 (new) SAT or 24 on ACT, 3.25 GPA, accepted into IU Bloomington, IU Northwest, Purdue West Lafayette, Purdue Northwest, IUPUI, or Ball State. Applicants must be a US citizen. Scholarship information can be found at www.dyescholarships.org or by visiting your school counselor.

Application deadline is March 1, 2017.

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Tri Kappa is offering two scholarships: Fine Arts and Achievement. Fine Arts requirements include: must have a Valparaiso address and be a US Citizen, must be a graduate of a Valparaiso, Indiana High School, must be accepted beginning in the fall at a public or private university by July 1, must be seeking a fine arts degree. The Achievement Application requirements include: must have a Valparaiso address and be a US Citizen, must be a graduate of a Valparaiso, Indiana High School, must rank in the top 30% of his/her graduating class, must be accepted beginning in the fall at an Indiana accredited public or private college or university by July 1. See the Guidance Department for an application.

Application deadline is March 3, 2017.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS OF INDIANA

The Knights of Pythias of Indiana is offering a minimum of 12 scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 to selected graduating high school seniors who meet the criteria (see the Guidance Department for the form). The form must be

typed; no handwritten applications will be accepted. No applications will be accepted online or via email. Applications available at www.knightsofpythiasofnewcastle.com.

Application deadline is January 25, 2017.

LILLY ENDOWMENT COMMUNITY SCHOLARSHIP

The Porter County Community Foundation has announced the continuation of Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship Program. Applications are now available in the Guidance Office. This scholarship provides for full tuition and required fees plus \$900 per year for books to any public or private college or university in the State of Indiana. If you have questions, please contact your Guidance Counselor or the Porter County Community Foundation at (219) 465-0294.

Application deadline is September 16, 2016 in the Guidance Office.

NATIONAL SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

DAR is giving a \$150 scholarship, plus the opportunity to earn more scholarships at the finalist level of a competition.

Students must be recommended for this scholarship by faculty. Students interested in this scholarship must SUBMIT A TYPED LETTER to Wheeler High School's Scholarship Committee (see Ms. Andrea Day in the guidance office).

Recommendations will be based on dependability, service, leadership, and patriotism. If selected by the Committee, the applicant will follow instructions to compete nationally. A timed written essay is part of the requirements.

Letters of interest need to be submitted to Ms. Day no later than October 21, 2016.

NEXT GENERATION TEACHING SCHOLARSHIP

Remember your favorite teacher? The one who made a difference? The one who inspired? If that's the kind of teacher you aspire to be, Indiana has a new scholarship for you! The Next Generation Teacher Scholarship was created to help the next generation of Hoosier teachers pay for college. The State of Indiana will provide 200 scholarships each year to high-achieving high school and college students interested in pursuing a career in education. The scholarship pays \$7,500 per year for up to four years to students who commit to teaching in Indiana after graduation. Apply online at <http://www.learnmoreindiana.org/cost/financial-aid-and-scholarships/next-generation-teacher-scholarship/>.

Applications are due December 31, 2016.

PORTER COUNTY FARM BUREAU, INC

The Porter County Farm Bureau, Inc. Scholarship has been created to recognize an outstanding individual from each public high school in Porter County. Those interested in applying must be a student in a Porter County High School. The student or family must be at least a one year member of the Porter County Farm Bureau, Inc. and membership dues must be current by the date application is returned to counselor. The Guidance Department has the application and information for those students interested in applying, or you can apply online at www.infarmbureau.org.

Application deadline is April 1, 2017 (must be submitted to chair by this date).

PORTER COUNTY SUBSTANCE ABUSE COUNCIL

The Porter County Substance Abuse Council is giving \$500 Red Ribbon Scholarships to current high school seniors attending a Porter County High School. If interested, see your school counselor for an application.

Application deadline is April 7, 2017 by 4:00 pm (not post-marked by).

PORTER STARKE SERVICES FOUNDATION

Porter Starke is offering four scholarships up to \$2,500 each available to graduating seniors of Porter and Starke County High Schools in Indiana. Recipients must have been accepted to an accredited college, University, or vocational school and must be pursuing a 2-year or 4-year degree. Immediate family members of Porter-Starke Services Board Members,

Porter Starke Services Foundation Board Members, and Porter Starke Services Executive Staff may not apply. Selection of this award and amount will be made based on (in order of priority): a well written impact essay, extracurricular activities and volunteerism, financial need, letter of recommendation, and grade point average. Applications can be downloaded at www.porterstarke.org/scholarships.

Completed application, letter of recommendation (non-family member), and transcript is due to your Guidance Counselor by March 31, 2017.

ST. MARY MEDICAL CENTER

St. Mary Medical Center is offering scholarships to qualified applicants who are pursuing higher education in a healthcare field. Applicants must reside in one of the following hospital's primary service area: Chesterton, Crown Point, Hobart, Lake Station, Merrillville, Portage, Valparaiso. Applications can be found in the guidance office or online at <http://www.comhs.org/ASA>.

Applications are due March 30, 2017 by 3:00 p.m. at the St. Mary Medical Center Gift Shop (no faxed applications will be accepted).

TIM HECHT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

The Tim Hecht Scholarship Program is a memorial to all fallen law enforcement officers of Porter County, Indiana. The scholarship is awarded to students who have an interest in a law enforcement career after receiving post-secondary education. Applicants must be a Senior attending a high school in Porter county, must maintain an overall "C" or better grade average during the past two school years, and must intend to choose Criminal Justice, Law Enforcement, Pre-law, or other similar course of study as a major or primary area of study. No application form is used. Required materials include a typed letter, a transcript of school records, two letters of recommendation (one from a teacher), and a copy of a letter of acceptance from the intended school.

All required material must be submitted no later than May 26th to the Porter County Sheriff's Office, Attn: Lt. Tim Manteuffel at 2755 St. Rd. 49 Valparaiso, Indiana.

WELLS SCHOLARSHIP

The Wells Scholars Program, awarded on the basis of merit, pays the full cost of attendance for four years of undergraduate study at Indiana University Bloomington. Wells Scholars may choose to spend one of those years studying abroad. The Wells Scholars Program provides special educational opportunities that encourage academic excellence, growth in leadership, and engagement in the larger world; and it facilitates close interaction with our most distinguished faculty. Wells Scholars are also eligible for a one-time grant to pursue a summer internship, research or service project, creative activity, or other enriching experience. This scholarship is based on a nomination by each high school. It is important, that if interested, contact your school counselor IN WRITING asking to be nominated. Once selected as a nominee, instructions will follow to apply for the scholarship directly. A group of 50 finalists will be invited to IU Bloomington for consideration after that.

Nomination requests are due September 16, 2015 to the Guidance Department.

VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION OF PORTER COUNTY

The Visiting Nurse Association of Porter County and the family of Tricia Marie Simpson Russell, R.N. have established a memorial scholarship to assist individual nurses or nursing students to advance their education. The scholarship will be awarded at the VNA's Annual Dinner Meeting in February 2015. Last year's scholarship award was \$2,000. Applicants for Tricia's Scholarship must be able to provide evidence of application to or current enrollment in a nursing program. Please see the Guidance Department for application materials.

Applications are due to the VNA by January 13, 2017.

