

Finance Your Future

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This financial aid newsletter is printed monthly throughout the school year and then presented to all seniors. In addition, it is posted on the R2 website under Scholarship Newsletters. The R2 web address is www.rockyfordk12.org. Cindy Abert is the current College & Scholarship Liaison for the school district. Please feel free to contact her with questions, concerns or help.

"It doesn't matter who you are or where you come from. The ability to triumph begins with you. Always! Oprah Winfrey

Listed below are three websites that you might find very helpful in exploring ways to finance college. I highly recommend that you look them over carefully.

https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/ www.TuitionFundingSources.com www.millennialpersonalfinance.com/studentloans

Rocky Ford School District has an alliance with CSU Fort Collins. Their representative is Amy Nortier and she frequently posts helpful tidbits on the Alliance Partnership Facebook page. If you have Facebook, you might want to "like" that page which is listed below. You do not have to attend CSU Fort Collins to look at the information.

https://www.facebook.com/CSUAlliance/?ref=hl

Still don't know what you want to do after high school? Maybe AmeriCorps might be a starting point. Work on a variety of projects during a 10-month program. Receive money to attend college, travel, room and board, professional development and a huge opportunity to serve. Deadline to complete application process is April 1.

www.nationalservice.gov/nccc www.americorps.gov/nccc

If you still don't know what career field to enter, try taking an interest survey online or browsing through the Occupational Outlook Handbook (there is a hard copy in the guidance office and one online).

Keep working in your classes! Your grades and courses continue to count throughout the senior year. It is not over yet! Strive to finish with a bang!

If you haven't looked through the black scholarship notebooks in the guidance office lately (or at all), make an effort to get in there and browse for scholarships that might apply to you.

SITES TO CHECK OUT FOR SCHOLARSHIPS/GRANT INFORMATION/APPLICATIONS – Some of these sites will enter you in a lottery drawing for scholarships just for enrolling. Most sites require you to register with them before you start your search. If you don't have time to look at all of these, begin with the bolded sites.

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