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 District 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.

"Things may come to those who wait, but only the things left by those who hustle."

Abraham Lincoln

- It would be to your best interest to begin working on a standard response to the typical essay question which many applications will have. If you already have one created and saved, you will be able to just cut and paste instead of recreating each time. Plan to address your personal history and achievements thus far in your life. What are your current and future goals? What have been your experiences with community and school service?
- You should begin applying to the colleges that you have an interest in attending. Don't limit yourself to just one at this time, because your plans and life in general may change before next August. Many colleges have free applications on line and some still charge a fee. If the fee is a financial burden for you there are often waivers and assistance available.
- You live in the age of technology and are very capable of surfing the Internet. Simply search scholarships and you will come up with many to consider.

OJC Discovery Day – October 12, 2017:

If you might be considering OJC you should attend one of their two Discovery Days. You will tour the campus, meet students and faculty, explore their programs of study, get free lunch and win door prizes. Register online at ojc.edu/inquiry.aspx before October 12.

Upcoming Scholarship Deadlines:

Daniels Fund – Students who demonstrate exceptional character, leadership and commitment to serving their community should apply for this 4-year full ride scholarship. Deadline is November 30, 2017.

Boettcher Foundation - Students who rank in the very top of their class and have high ACT/SAT scores should apply for this 4-year, full ride scholarship to any Colorado college. Deadline is November 1, 2017.

AES Engineers – You do not have to take engineering classes to win the scholarship. It is worth \$500 and the deadline is October 6, 2017. You will need to submit an essay of no more than 1000 words in answer to the question posted on their website: aesengineers.com

Wendy's High School Heisman – You must be an athlete who demonstrates dedication on the playing field and in your community. You need to have a 3.0 GPA and participate in at least one school sponsored sport. Apply online at wendysheisman.com and use Mrs. Ridennoure as your school representative. The deadline is October 2, 2017.

Coca Cola Scholars Foundation – If you have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and can demonstrate leadership, commitment to community and academic achievement this scholarship might be worth your effort. Deadline is October 31, 2017. Find more information and the application at coca-colascholars.org.

Horatio Alger Scholarship – This foundation provides financial assistance to students throughout the nation who have financial need and have exhibited integrity and perseverance in overcoming personal adversity. Deadline is October 25, 2017. Find more information and the application at horaticalger.org/scholarships.

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. You will continue to receive emails from many of them each week/month.

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www.collegescholarships.com
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