Your Scholarship Search

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Gift Money

Scholarships

- Awarded by colleges, businesses, or other private organizations
- Gift money doesn't need to be repaid!
- Many ways to qualify
 - e.g. academic achievement, athletic or musical ability, religious or community involvement, heritage

How much state, school, and private scholarship money can I get?

Depends on the program; do your research!

- Our state aid: HEAB Board-WI/MN Reciprocity
- MN/WI Reciprocity Application
- Ask college financial aid offices for info about aid available at their schools
- Free scholarship search at <u>StudentAid.gov/scholarships</u>

Ways to Best Prepare Yourself to Get the Most Scholarship Money

- Grades will matter for Merit Scholarships
- Take a risk to participate in leadership opportunities
- Do A LOT of Community Service (20 hrs. is not enough)
 - Pick a few activities and do lots of hours for the group
 - Take advantage of every opportunity—sometimes these can lead to great references as well!
- Be involved in school and community activities
 - Do a few activities that you love over many years
 - Don't just be a member in name only

Where to find scholarships

- School counselor
- College financial aid office
- Local searches, Places of Employment (student, parent),
 Other affiliations (Mtwc Home and Community Education,
 Lutheran Brotherhood)
- Online searches
 - Fastweb.com
 - bigfuture.org
 - cappex.com
 - Zinch.com
 - Scholly App

Scholarships for LHS

- Scholarship Financial Aid Page
- Board of Education Scholarships
- Current Scholarship List at LHS
- Go to Lincoln High School—Departments—Counseling Center—Current Scholarship List
- Counseling Center Current Scholarship List

Sylvia Dunham West Loan

- Apply in April of Senior Year
- Applications will be in guidance office and online when they are available in April
- Apply every year—Max loan amount of \$2000/year Max of 5 years or \$8,000 for 4 year college and Max of \$4000 for technical college
- Loan payable in 10 years, not charged interest while in college
- Interest rate .5% less than Stafford Loan
- Can't be combined for repayment with other loans (Perkins, Stafford) or loan forgiveness or consolidation

TIP Grant

- Must attend a school in WI
- Must be a first time freshman
- Must attend an approved WI college/university
- It is need based grant
 - Typically students who are on free lunch, homeless, parents must not be college graduates
 - See website for more information

TIP Grant Information

Thanks for coming!

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Need Help Filling out the FAFSA?

- Free Assistance at College Goal
 WI
- Closest Event: UW-Green Bay-Manitowoc Campus
- October 17 6pm
- More info: www.collegegoalwi.org