

# SCHOLARSHIP RESOURCES

2011-2012

Note: While most scholarships are open only to seniors or students planning to begin college within the year, there are several for which freshmen, sophomores, and juniors may apply. These typically are essay and speaking contests, art contests, random drawings, and an occasional contest related to volunteer service or leadership. For additional resources, please check out the following internet sites:

[www.anycollege.com](http://www.anycollege.com)  
[www.atlantascholarships.com](http://www.atlantascholarships.com)  
[www.collegeanswer.com](http://www.collegeanswer.com)  
[www.collegeboard.org](http://www.collegeboard.org)  
[www.collegefunds.net](http://www.collegefunds.net)  
[www.collegenet.com](http://www.collegenet.com)  
[www.college-scholarships.com](http://www.college-scholarships.com)  
[www.collegescholarships.com](http://www.collegescholarships.com)  
[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)  
[www.freschinfo.com](http://www.freschinfo.com)  
[www.gacollege411.org](http://www.gacollege411.org)  
[www.gocollege.com](http://www.gocollege.com)  
[www.scholarshipexperts.com](http://www.scholarshipexperts.com)  
[www.scholarships.com](http://www.scholarships.com)

Scholarship Name, Contact, and Typical Award Amount	Requirements	Approximate Deadline *Note: Please confirm current deadline
<b>American Legion Oratorical Contest</b> <a href="http://www.legion.org/oratorical">http://www.legion.org/oratorical</a> \$175 locally to \$18,000 national first prize	Students in grades 9-12 who have prepared a 3-5 or a 6-8 minute speech on some phase of the Constitution	Early February *local, district, and national competitions
<b>Ayn Rand <i>Anthem</i> Essay Contest</b> <a href="http://www.aynrand.org">www.aynrand.org</a> First prize: \$2,000	For students in 9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup> grades willing to write a 600 to 1200 word essay on the novel <i>Anthem</i>	March
<b>Ayn Rand <i>The Fountainhead</i> &amp; <i>We The Living</i> Essay Contest</b> <a href="http://www.aynrand.org">www.aynrand.org</a> First prize: \$10,000	For 11 <sup>th</sup> and 12 <sup>th</sup> graders willing to write a 800-1600 word essay on the novel <i>The Fountainhead</i>	April
<b>Discover Card Tribute Award Scholarships</b> <a href="http://www.discoverfinancial.com/community/scholarship.shtml">http://www.discoverfinancial.com/community/scholarship.shtml</a>	High school juniors with minimum 2.75 GPA for 9 <sup>th</sup> and 10 <sup>th</sup>	Deadline is typically late January *applications and

Up to 10 scholarships of \$30,000 each	grades and excellence in the following areas: Special Talents Leadership Obstacles Overcome Community Service	materials are usually available online each December
<b>Junior Duck Stamp Design Contest</b>  <a href="http://www.fws.gov/duckstamps">http://www.fws.gov/duckstamps</a>  1 <sup>st</sup> Place National Winner: \$2,500	K-12 students who complete a horizontal, 9" x 12" entry of current year's North American ducks, geese, or swans	March 15 Deadline  *Check website in September for details about this year's contest
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<b>Kaplan Newsweek "My Turn" Essay Contest</b>  <a href="http://www.kaptest.com/essay">http://www.kaptest.com/essay</a>  \$1,000-\$5,000	Essay contest open to students in 9 <sup>th</sup> through 12 <sup>th</sup> grades willing to write a 500-1,000 word essay over a given topic.	Deadline is typically on or around February 1, but check site for upcoming details.
<b>National Foundation for Advancement in the Arts, Arts Recognition and Talent</b>  <a href="http://www.nfaa.org">www.nfaa.org</a>  Applying gives access to \$3 million in scholarships offered by colleges. Cash awards from \$100-\$10,000	Student must be 17 or 18 years old on December 1, 2008 with talent in dance, jazz, music, photography, theater, visual arts, voice or writing.  Highly Competitive	Must begin process in the summer following your junior year with early application deadline being June 16. Applications will be accepted through October 14th of the senior year. All portfolio materials must be received by November 3.
<b>National High School Essay Contest/American Foreign Service</b>  <a href="http://www.afsa.org/student.cfm">www.afsa.org/student.cfm</a>  \$750-\$2,500	Open to students in grades 9-12. The essay is over a given topic and must be 750-1,000 words.	February 6 <sup>th</sup> Deadline Check website for details—the requirements are very specific.
<b>Prudential Spirit of Community Awards</b>  <a href="http://spirit.prudential.com/view/page/soc">http://spirit.prudential.com/view/page/soc</a>  \$1,000-\$5,000	Open to students in grades 5-12 who volunteer in community service activities.	November 1 <sup>st</sup> Deadline
<b>ROTC Scholarship/Military Academy Appointments</b>  Army: 800-USA-ROTC Air Force: 800-522-0033 x 2091 Navy: 800-USA-NAVY Marines: 800-MARINES <a href="http://www.myfuture.com">www.myfuture.com</a>	Successful candidates typically are juniors in a college preparatory program and in at least the top 25% of the class, and have a minimum 24 ACT or 1100 SAT.	Application period typically runs from 3/1 of the junior year through 11/1 of the senior year.  Important: Begin the process 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester

1-4 year scholarships which may cover part or all of college expenses		of the junior year.
<b>SuperCollege.com</b> <a href="http://www.supercollege.com/about/about.cfm?area=7">http://www.supercollege.com/about/about.cfm?area=7</a> \$500-\$2,500	Any 9-12 grade high school student may apply as long as you are a legal U.S. citizen. Winner is chosen based on essay, academic and extracurricular achievements.	October 31 <sup>st</sup> Deadline
<b>USA Today All-USA Academic Team</b> <a href="http://www.usatoday.com/marketing/academic_teams/index.html">http://www.usatoday.com/marketing/academic_teams/index.html</a> 20 \$2,500 awards	For high school seniors or juniors graduating in current year. Students must start preparing in their junior year or earlier. Highly competitive—transcript, essay, letter of nomination, two letters of recommendation, and project needed.	Applications are available in December and due in February. Check website carefully for details.
<b>Voice of Democracy Patriotic Audio Essay Competition</b> <a href="http://www.vfw.org/Community/Voice-of-Democracy/">http://www.vfw.org/Community/Voice-of-Democracy/</a> Click on 'programs' tab Top prize: \$30,000	Open to students in grades 9-12 willing to write and vocally record an essay on the current year's topic.	November 1, 2011
<b>Nancy Thorp Poetry Contest</b> <a href="http://www.hollins.edu/academics/english/thorp.shtml">http://www.hollins.edu/academics/english/thorp.shtml</a>	High School Sophomore & Junior Girls	November 15, 2011
<b>AI Neuharth Free Spirit Scholarship</b> <a href="http://www.freedomforum.org/templates/document.asp?documentID=18298">http://www.freedomforum.org/templates/document.asp?documentID=18298</a>	High School Juniors interested in journalism	February 15, 2012
<b>Natural Resource Conservation Workshop/Scholarship</b> <a href="http://www.abac.edu/psbo/nrcw/">http://www.abac.edu/psbo/nrcw/</a> <b>Ray Spencer—County Conservation Technician</b> <b>USDA—Natural Resources Conservation Service sub-field office</b> <b>Newton County Executive Building</b> <b>1115 Usher Street</b> <b>Covington, Georgia 30015</b> <b>770-786-4236</b>	High School students ages 15-18 who are interested in learning more about their environment and natural resources.	May, 2012