Scholarships

CBD College Financial Literacy

Understanding "The Basics"

What is a scholarship?

A scholarship is an offering of FREE MONEY to a student based on the student's skills or qualifications.

Where do scholarships come from?

The college/university

Community Organizations/Businesses

Private sponsors/donors

What types of scholarships are out there?

Institutional (from college/university)

High School Specific

Clubs & Associations

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Credit Unions/Banks

Career/College Major Specific

Where can I find scholarships?

Your high school Financial Aid Office Free websites: Fastweb Sallie Mae Sallie Mae Finaid College Board Hispanic Scholarship Fund

Scholarship Databases

Databases make locating/applying for scholarships easier.

Create account/student profile with as much information about you as possible.

Database matches you with list of scholarships that may apply to you!

Read each scholarship carefully and apply for the ones you feel you may be eligible for.

How do I apply?

Get Organized! Things you may need to apply could include:

Official/Unofficial Transcripts

SAT/ACT Scores

Letters of Recommendation

Resume

Written Essay

All scholarships are different and will have varying requirements. Pay close attention to the scholarship application instructions.

Top 10 Things Scholarship Committees consider:

An application submitted ON TIME!





Final Thoughts

Applying for scholarships can be time consuming, but can be well-worth your time.

Remember to pace yourself. Set a goal for how many scholarships you wish to apply for!

You can't win if you don't apply!