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WELCOME TO THE YEAR 2010...



AND TO THE LAST SEMESTER OF HIGH SCHOOL!

Tuesday, January 26th began your *FINAL SEMESTER* as a high school student! One more semester of high school and onto new adventures and an exciting future.

Make sure that all goes well for you by checking requirements for graduation to see that you are on target. This will be a very busy semester for you as senior activities become more numerous. Schedule your time wisely so that you can be involved in all those activities and maintain your grades also.

Don't forget that in addition to course requirements, each graduating senior must have successfully completed the Florida Comprehensive Assessment Test (FCAT) and have a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 (un-weighted) on a 4.0 scale.

Also, Don't forget your Mid Year Reports! Most colleges/universities have a first to mid February deadline for receipt of your first semester senior year

grades. **Act promptly!!!**

Every senior should be attending SOAR every Tuesday. Your SOAR advisor will have updates to keep you on track for graduation. If you do not know who your SOAR advisor is, now is a good time to learn. See Mrs. Susan Campbell in the Guidance Department for assistance.

Be sure to check out the article in this newsletter for this year's Project Graduation. The NHS Booster Club has worked diligently to sponsor this safe night of fun for our graduates.

Remember that now is the time to be filling out the **Free Application For Student Aid (FAFSA)** (See **FAFSA GUIDE** below). You may either complete it online or with a paper copy mailed in. The turnaround time to receive your Student Aid Report (SAR) is about two weeks if you do it online. If you mail a paper copy, the turnaround time is about six weeks. All colleges and universities expect you and your parents to contribute as much as you can to the cost of your education, but they do realize that college cost may strain your family's budget. They'll do their best to bridge the gap between what you can afford and what the college costs. Read each college's brochures carefully to find out which form(s) to submit and when to apply for assistance. Make sure you don't miss important deadlines. Also keep a copy of every financial aid form you send out. Financial aid forms as well as a few institutional forms required by different colleges and universities are available in guidance.

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FAFSA GUIDE

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Visit www.fastweb.com for a free search of more than \$1 billion in scholarships.

What is the FAFSA?

The FAFSA stands for Free Application for Federal Student Aid. It is the form that the federal government uses to determine your eligibility for federal student aid. This aid includes grants, scholarships, work-study and loans to help you pay for college. The form collects financial and demographic information.

Where can I get FAFSA?

- Complete FAFSA on the Web: www.fafsa.ed.gov
- Get a paper version from your high school counselor or local library
- Call 1-800-4-FEDAID

**How does it work?**

Using your FAFSA, the federal processor determines your **Expected Family Contribution (EFC)**. Your EFC is the amount of money your family can be expected to contribute each year to your college costs. Your school will then try to meet your needs through a financial aid award made up of funds from federal, state, school, and private sources as well as loans, grants and student employment.

5 Common FAFSA Mistakes

1. Do not leave a field blank. Use a zero if the question does not apply to you.
2. Don't forget to report ALL required sources of untaxed income, such as Social Security or child support.
3. Use the 1040 Federal tax return (2009 version) for reporting income and taxes paid, not the W-2.
4. Include yourself in your parents' household size, even if you didn't live with them the previous year.
5. Sign the application. If you are filing as a dependent, make sure your parents sign too.

Tips for Completing the FAFSA

- Complete your FAFSA as soon as possible after January 1. The FAFSA becomes available on January 1 of each year. Early submission maximizes your chances of receiving financial aid.
- Submit the FAFSA even if you don't think you qualify for aid. Sometimes being rejected for federal aid is a prerequisite for receiving private awards.
- Contact your prospective college's financial aid

office for additional information. Your school may require forms in addition to the FAFSA or may have an earlier submission deadline. Don't forget to keep copies of all submitted documents for your records.

Tip: If you provide an e-mail on your FAFSA, you will receive your PIN and Student Aid Report (SAR) via e-mail only. You will not receive it via U.S. Postal mail.

After You Have Completed the FAFSA

- Review your **Student Aid Report (SAR)** carefully. The SAR is your official record that the federal processor received your FAFSA. You should receive your SAR within 4-6 weeks of submitting your paper FAFSA (if you filed electronically, the process takes 1-2 weeks and your SAR arrives via e-mail if you supply an e-mail address). If you find errors on your SAR, report them to your prospective college's financial aid office to ask how you should make corrections. Unresolved errors could delay your eligibility for aid.
- Call 1-800-433-3243 (800-4-FED-AID) if you do not receive your SAR in 4-6 weeks. Provide your name, Social Security number and date of birth for verification.
- Note your **Data Release Number (DRN)**. Your DRN is the four-digit number located on the bottom left-hand corner of your SAR. You will need it to apply for aid to any school you did not originally list on your FAFSA.
- Check if your SAR has been selected for verification. If there is an asterisk(*) after your EFC, it means your SAR has been selected for verification (one-third of all SARs are selected). Your prospective college will compare your SAR with documents, including tax returns, that verify your financial status. If you asked for verification, submit the information requested to your prospective college's financial aid office **ASAP**.

BRIGHT FUTURES UPDATE

Student transcripts qualifying seniors for the Bright Futures Scholarship will be sent to the Department of Education during February. Once the **FACTS.org** website has been updated, Seniors can verify their 7th semester Bright Futures Scholarship award. An email will be sent to seniors once the **FACTS.org** website has been updated. If you do not remember your log in or password, see Mrs. Campbell in the Guidance Department. If you have not registered

for the Bright Futures Scholarship, **NOW** is the time! With increased volume, accessibility to the website can be difficult. Please see the “**Six Easy Steps to Your Bright Futures Scholarship**” article in this newsletter for registration instructions.

SIX EASY STEPS TO YOUR BRIGHT FUTURE SCHOLARSHIP

Florida Bright Futures Registration Web Address:
www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org.

- Go to “Scholarships, Grants, Aid” link.
- Go to “Apply Here” link.
- Click on Student Application.
- Complete Application.
- Submit Application.
- Print Application and verification form for your records.

Deadline for registration is midnight, June 10, 2010.

GENTLEMEN: ARE YOU 18?

Did you know you will not qualify for financial aid if you fail to register with the Selective Service? Federal law requires that men who are at least 18 years old, but not yet 26 years old, must be registered with Selective Service. This includes all male non citizens within these age limits who permanently reside in the United States. Selective Service registration allows the United States Government to maintain a list of names of men who may be called into military service in case of a national emergency requiring rapid expansion of the U.S. Armed Forces. By registering all young men, the Selective Service can ensure that any future draft will be fair and equitable. To register online, go to www.sss.gov. Applications are also available at most Post Offices.



UF GATOR AID 2010-2011 FINANCIAL AID APPLICATION GUIDE NOW AVAILABLE IN GUIDANCE

The GATOR AID, a financial aid application guide is now available in the Guidance Department. This guide will assist all incoming University of Florida freshmen with the financial aid process. Students who wish to have their aid available for the Fall 2010 term will need to file their FAFSA in time for the results from their need analysis to reach UF by March 15, 2010.

IF YOU PLAN TO ATTEND NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE ...

please let the Guidance Department know. Seniors

planning to attend Northwest Florida State College in the fall may be chosen for the Northwest Florida State College Presidential, Presidential Minority, and Leadership Scholarships. The Presidential and Minority Presidential Scholarships are awarded to seniors with the highest GPA who have not committed elsewhere. The NHS Guidance Counselors select the seniors for the Leadership Scholarships. The criteria for this scholarship is a GPA of 3.0 or higher and leadership within the school and/or community. Please come by the Guidance Department or email Mrs. Susan Campbell if you are interested in these scholarships.

NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

The 2010-2011 Northwest Florida State College Foundation Scholarship Application will be available on the NWF State College website beginning February 1st. Students will have to complete an online scholarship application using the **STARS** application process. Students will complete one application to be considered for one of the numerous Foundation scholarships. Students must also have applied for admission to NWF State College and completed the 2010-2011 FAFSA to be considered for a Foundation scholarship. The website is: www.nwfsc.edu.

“CASH 4 COLLEGE” SPONSORED BY NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE.

If you are having difficulty with your FAFSA, or just do not know how to begin the FAFSA process, Northwest Florida State College is hosting “**Cash 4 College**” on Sunday, March 7th from 1:00 to 4:00 pm in Bldg C-1/C-2 on their Niceville campus. Please bring the student’s social security card, driver’s license, and parents’ and student’s 2009 Federal Income tax forms. Students will be able to complete a FAFSA on the web with the assistance of a financial aid representative.

For more information, please call the Financial Aid Office at 729-5370.

JANUARY/FEBRUARY nextSTEP MAGAZINE

The January/February nextStep Magazine is now available in the Guidance Department and online at nextStepmag.com. This Financial Aid issue has numerous articles to assist students and parents with the financial aid process. This issue also includes

articles about post-secondary options other than the traditional four-year college plan. Some of the articles included in this issue are:

- 9 Easy Steps to Getting Financial Aid;
- Save Money Through Community College;
- How to Pay For College Without Loans;
- The Secret Way to Pay for College;
- Hands-On College;
- Careers for the Tech-Savvy;
- Financial Benefits of Military Service.

IF COLLEGE IS NOT FOR YOU

A Guide For Parents and Students-Higher Education Your Stairway to Knowledge; American Legion National Committee on Education Revised August 2004

Your future plans may be such that they would not be furthered by a college education. The cost and the effort involved may be too great for you or you may lack the academic ability needed to do successful college work. In any case, your education will not stop the moment you receive your high school diploma. Education is a continuous, never-ending process. There are several thousand technical vocational training schools in the United States. Examples are: beauty operator and barber school; flying schools; schools of art, music, drama and related fields; health service schools, and mechanical schools. A number of them require a high school diploma. Depending upon the program, your course of study may take anywhere from a few weeks to several years. The purpose is to provide direct, practical training—as opposed to theory in a trade, craft or skill. Tuition varies widely from school to school and from state to state.

The Armed Forces provide both on-duty and off-duty education and training. Off-duty education is available through the United States Armed Forces Institute and covers courses in communications, the humanities, mathematics, science, social science, and technical vocational subject.

All kinds of adventures in learning are available to you, most of them within easy reach of home and pocketbook. They are yours for the asking, whether or not you go to college.

TIME MANAGEMENT ISSUES

The past few weeks have been extremely hectic in the guidance department. Our guidance counselors are currently involved with spring registration, FCAT, graduation requirements, counseling, and many other tasks. Many Seniors have waited until the last minute to request scholarships, transcripts, counselor reports,

etc. Many issues come into play when you wait until the last minute to complete an application. Meetings, illness, computer problems, etc. can result in an incomplete request. The guidance department wants to do the very best for our seniors. Please plan ahead!!! Do not wait until the last minute!!!

CAP AND GOWN PHOTOS

Cap and Gown photos will be taken, February 9, 2010 during Social Studies class. Seniors who do not have a social studies class need to contact Mrs. Susan Campbell in guidance beginning February 2nd to schedule an appointment for their photo. No money will be required on the photo day. A proof package will be sent home approximately four weeks after the photo date.

Seniors will not wear the traditional cap for this photo. They will hold the cap and a diploma in their hand. (A photo of seniors wearing a cap will be taken during the graduation ceremony.) Although a cap and gown will be furnished, gentlemen are asked to wear a white, collared dress shirt and dark tie and ladies should not wear a high collared blouse or sweater. **NOTE: There will NOT be a make-up day for this photo.**



FINAL CALL FOR CAP AND GOWN ORDERS

Several seniors have not ordered their cap and gown for graduation. You must order a cap and gown to participate in the NHS graduation ceremony. Cap and gowns from previous graduates cannot be used due to dye lots. If you need to order a cap and gown, call Herff Jones at: (850) 432- 7464. Cost: \$70.00 (\$45 cap and gown fee and \$25 late fee). **Seniors, this is your final notice for you to order your cap and gown.**



HAVE YOU RECEIVED A SCHOLARSHIP?

If you have, **CONGRATULATIONS!**; we want to know about it. If you have applied to multiple colleges and they have offered you scholarships, please let us know about them all. We will acknowledge all scholarships at our Senior Awards Day, Friday, June 4th. Please bring a copy of your award letter to Mrs. Susan Campbell in guidance. Friday, April 30th will be the final day to turn in



scholarship award letters.

PROJECT GRADUATION 2010 AT RISK!

Project Graduation 2010 is in critical need of senior participation. The Niceville High School All Booster Club must receive registration and payment from at least 150 seniors by March 1st or this Eagle tradition will be cancelled for the first time since it's inception.



The Niceville High School Booster Club sponsors Project Graduation for all NHS graduates following the Graduation Ceremony. This safe, all night graduation party will be held at Big Kahuna's water park Thursday, June 10, 2010. Seniors will be transported by bus to Big Kahuna's beginning at 10:30 p.m. for a night of fun filled activities, food and much more! **The cost is \$50.00, non-refundable.** The cost of the evening includes bus transportation to Big Kahuna's, entrance to the park, a T-Shirt, food, drinks, breakfast, and a return bus trip to Niceville High School the next morning. Registration packets are available in the Attendance Office and Guidance Office. Grab your friends and buy a ticket now!

IMPORTANT DATES AND EVENTS TO REMEMBER.

February 9 - Cap and Gown Photos; During Social Studies class; NHS Auditorium.



February 15 - President's Day Holiday.

March 24 - Graduation Announcements Delivery During Social Studies Classes, NHS Auditorium.

March 25 - End of 3rd grading period.

March 26 - Student Holiday; Teacher workday.

March 29 - April 2 - Spring Break begins.

April 10 - Senior Prom; Destin Community Center, 8:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.; \$25.00 per ticket.

May 18 - Anne T. Mitchell District Honors Night; NWF State College Mattie Kelly Fine Arts Building; 5:00 p.m. Reception; 6:00 p.m. Awards Ceremony.

June 4 - Senior Day begins at 6:45 a.m.; Senior Walk; Cap and Gown distribution; Senior Breakfast; Senior Awards Day.

June 8 - Baccalaureate (**OPTIONAL**); Niceville First Assembly of God; 7:00 p.m.

June 9 - Graduation Practice; Time TBA; Seniors will report to assigned 600 hall classroom.

June 10 - Graduation Ceremony; Niceville High School Stadium; 7:30 p.m.

June 10 - June 11 - Project Graduation; Big Kahuna's Water Park; 10:30 p.m.-5:30 a.m.; Cost \$50;

***** Times and dates subject to change**



SCHOLARSHIPS

NOTE: Shading in "Due Date" block Indicates Applications MUST BE TURNED INTO GUIDANCE.

<u>NAME/AMOUNT</u>	<u>ELIGIBILITY</u>	<u>DUE DATE</u>
2010 FLORIDA ENGINEERING HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP 6 @ \$2,250	Eligibility requirements: -Be a high school senior. -Be a citizen of the U.S. at the time of application. -Has at least a 3.5 GPA based on a 4.0 scale. -Attain a minimum test score on the SAT (threshold score levels are listed on the application). -Enroll in an engineering program accredited by the Engineering Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology (ABET). Application can be downloaded at: www.fleng.org/scholarhip.cfm .	Deadline to submit applications is February 1, 2010.

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<p>THE BLANCO FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP</p> <p>Student must apply for financial aid, grants, etc. The foundation will supplement the college of your choice.</p>	<p>The BLANCO Foundation, Inc. Is a private not-for-profit corporation whose goal is to provide college scholarships to committed students of high moral character, needing financial assistance and seeking a career in Education or Nursing.</p>	<p>Deadline for submission is February 1, 2010.</p>
<p>BURGER KING HAVE IT YOUR WAY FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP</p> <p>\$1,000 each</p>	<p>Eligible applicants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -have a curriculum high school GPA of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale. -work an average of 10 hours per week, 40 weeks per year (part-time year round). -be a U.S. citizen or citizen of Canada. -demonstrate financial need. -plan to enroll in an accredited two- or four-year college, university, or vocational-technical school no later than Fall 2010. Applicants ARE NOT required to be employed by Burger King Restaurants, although Burger King employees may be eligible students. -demonstrate participation in community service and/or co-curricular activities. <p>Using the access key "BKS", applicants must apply online at: http://www.haveityourwayfoundation.org/bksp_application.html</p>	<p>Application must be submitted by February 1, 2010.</p>
<p>USDA/1890 NATIONAL SCHOLARS PROGRAM</p>	<p>The USDA/1890 National Scholars Program will provide full tuition, employment, employee benefits, fees, books, use of a laptop, printer and software while on scholarship and room and board each year for four years to students pursuing a bachelor's degree at selected colleges. Since this program is intended to increase the number of students studying agriculture, food, natural resource science or other related disciplines at participating institutions. Applicants must be U.S. citizens who have a high school diploma or a G.E.D. certificate and are starting their first year of college for a bachelor's degree. For more information including a list of participating colleges and the application go to: www.ascr.usda.gov/1890programs.html.</p>	<p>Application deadline: February 1, 2010.</p>
<p>YOUNG EPIDEMIOLOGY SCHOLARS COMPETITION</p> <p>Up To \$50,000</p>	<p>YES Competition has quickly grown to be one of the most competitive and prestigious science-related scholarships in the nation. In the last four years the YES Competition has awarded over \$1.8 million in college scholarships to nearly 500 students. To enter, students submit a research project that sheds light on a health problem, using the methods employed by epidemiologists. For more information to enter this competition go to: www.collegeboard.com/yes.</p>	<p>Deadline for submissions is February 1, 2010, 9:00 a.m. ET.</p>

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KFC COLONEL'S SCHOLARS PROGRAM \$5,000	KFC Colonel's Scholars is looking for outstanding seniors with financial need and entrepreneurial spirit to qualify for the first-ever Colonel's Scholars program. Awards up to \$5,000 a year for tuition, fees, textbooks, room, and board. Graduating high school seniors must: -Maintain a high school GPA of 2.75 or higher; -Attend a public, in-state college or university; -Plan to pursue a bachelor's degree; -Be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident. The application is available online at: www.kfcscholars.org .	Application is available online from: December 1, 2009 - February 10, 2010.
ACCESS TO EDUCATION \$1,500	USA Funds Access to Education Scholarships will award up to \$3 million nationwide in renewable scholarships to students with economic need. Up to 50% of awards are targeted to members of ethnic-minority groups or individuals with physical disabilities. Scholarship awards will be based on the applicants: -past academic performance and future potential; -leadership and participation in school and community activities; -work experience; -career and educational aspirations and goals; -unusual personal or family circumstances. Apply online at: www.usafunds.org and select "Scholarship Information" from the "Express Links" menu.	Applications will be accepted online beginning December 15, 2009 - February 15, 2010.
BEST BUY @ 15 SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 1,000 @ \$1,000 ea.	Applicants must: -Be high school students living in the U.S. or Puerto Rico; -Have solid grades; -Be involved in volunteer community service and/or work experience. Apply online at: www.bestbuy.com/scholarships or www.at15.com .	Application deadline: February 15, 2010.
NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR COOPERATIVE EDUCATION 170 @ \$6,000 ea.	Guidelines and Criteria: - High school GPA of 3.5 (B+) or higher; - Complete National Co-op Scholarship Program application including a typed one-page essay describing why you have chosen to pursue a college cooperative education program. Students can download an application or apply online at: http://www.co-op.edu/scholarships.htm	Application deadline: February 15, 2010.

<u>NAME/AMOUNT</u>	<u>ELIGIBILITY</u>	<u>DUE DATE</u>
SCHOLARSHIPS FOR MILITARY CHILDREN (COMMISSARY SCHOLARSHIP) Amount TBA	Unmarried children under age 23 of active duty personnel, reserve/guard and retired military members, or survivors of service members who died while on active duty or survivors of individuals who died while receiving retired pay from the military, may apply for a scholarship. Eligibility, including survivors of deceased members, will be determined using the DEERS (Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System) database. Applicants should ensure that they, as well as their sponsor, are currently enrolled in the DEERS database and that they have a current ID card. Applicants must be enrolled, or planning to enroll, full-time in the fall of 2010 in an undergraduate program of studies leading to a Bachelor's Degree at an accredited college or university. They must have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0 (on a 4.0 basis). Applicants who receive an appointment to one of the US Military Academies (or affiliated preparatory schools) or are awarded a full scholarship at any accredited US post-secondary institution of higher education are not eligible to receive funds from this program. Students attending a community or junior college must be enrolled in a program of studies designed to allow the student to transfer directly into a four-year program. Application available online at: www.militaryscholar.org .	Application must be delivered by the close of day to your local military commissary on February 17, 2010.
THE AMERICAN LEGION GENERAL SCHOLARSHIP 1 ST - \$2,500 2 ND - \$1,500 3 RD - \$1,000 4 TH - 6 TH - \$500	Student must be the direct descendent, i.e., child, grandchild, great-grandchild or a legally adopted child of a member in good standing of the American Legion Department of Florida; or a deceased U.S. veteran who would have been eligible for membership in the American Legion. Student must be in his or her senior year and attending a Florida high school. Parents must be Florida residents.	Application must be postmarked by March 1, 2010.
THE AMERICAN LEGION EAGLE SCOUT OF THE YEAR 1 ST - \$3,000 2 ND - \$2,000 3 RD & 4 TH - \$1,000	Applicant: -must have earned Eagle Award and religious emblem; -must be a high school student; -must be a Florida resident; -must be in a troop chartered to an American Legion Post or the son or grandson of a Legion Member or parent eligible to join the American Legion Department of Florida.	Application must be postmarked by March 1, 2010.
THE AMERICAN LEGION JROTC CADET OF THE YEAR 1 ST - \$2,000 2 ND - \$1,000 3 RD & 4 TH - \$500	Applicant: -must be enrolled in Florida high school and a member of the Air Force, Army, Navy, or Coast Guard JROTC; -must be a senior in high school; -must be chosen by JROTC commanding officer. Parents must be Florida residents. Only one application per JROTC unit will be accepted.	Application must be postmarked by March 1, 2010.

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<p>HURLBURT SPOUSES CLUB</p> <p>1 @ \$1,500 3 @ \$1,000 1 @ \$500</p>	<p>Eligibility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -The applicant must be a class of 2010 graduating high school senior; -The applicant must be a dependent of any Hurlburt Field military member: active duty, retired, deceased, or a remote military member currently on an unaccompanied tour. If retired, deceased, or remote the member's last duty station must have been Hurlburt Field; -The applicant must have a valid military identification card and must be enrolled in DEERS; -A principal, counselor, or teacher must recommend applicant; -The applicant may not be a family member of the HSC Scholarship Committee nor of any of the judges. 	<p>Application deadline: March 1, 2010.</p>
<p>SOUTHERN SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION</p> <p>Amount varies</p>	<p>If you are planning to attend Florida State University, University of Florida, Florida A&M University, or Florida Gulf Coast University (women only), you may be interested in a work-scholarship program that provides rent-free housing, teaches practical life skills in a cooperative environment, and introduces you to friends that can last a lifetime. (Information and Applications are available at: www.southern scholarship.org. Eligibility requirements are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -high academic promise and achievement in high school or college with a 3.0 high school GPA. -demonstrate financial need. -high level of motivation. -willing to share household duties and responsibilities with others. 	<p>The Foundation will begin evaluating applications March 1, 2010. Apply Now!</p>
<p>2010 SCHOLAR ATHLETE MILK MUSTACHE OF THE YEAR (SAMMY) AWARD PROGRAM</p> <p>\$7,500</p>	<p>Criteria:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -academic performance (35%); -athletic excellence (35%); -leadership (15%); -community service (10%); -and milk experience (5%). <p>Apply online at www.bodybymilk.com.</p>	<p>Application must be completed by March 5, 2010.</p>
<p>AIR FORCE AID SOCIETY GRANT PROGRAM HENRY H. ARNOLD EDUCATION GRANT</p> <p>\$2,000</p>	<p>Air Force Aid Society Grant Program offers \$2,000 grants to dependent children of active, Title 10 and Title 32 AGR, retired, and deceased Air Force members, spouses of active duty members stationed stateside only, and surviving spouses of deceased Air Force members.</p> <p>All students must be full-time undergraduates and maintain a 2.0 GPA.</p> <p>Application available online at: www.afas.org/education/body.grant.cfm.</p>	<p>Application deadline: March 12, 2010.</p>
<p>AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S FWB CHARTER CHAPTER</p> <p>Amount TBA</p>	<p>Application must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - a one page biography of yourself; - three (3) character reference letters; - transcript from school of courses completed. <p>Application available on the NHS website: www.NicevilleHighSchool.org.</p>	<p>Applications must be received by March 7, 2010.</p>

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<p>NICEVILLE- VALPARAISO ROTARY CLUB SCHOLARSHIP</p> <p>5 @ \$1,000</p>	<p>The Niceville-Valparaiso Rotary Club will award five graduating seniors with \$1,000 one-year unrestricted grants to assist them with their college costs. The following criteria will be used in the selection process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -GPA; -ACT/SAT Scores; -School activities (clubs, teams, band, chorus); -Leadership; -Community service; -Employment; -Financial need. <p>Application will be available on the NHS website: www.NicevilleHighSchool.org.</p>	<p>Application must be returned to Guidance by March 11, 2010.</p>
<p>BBB's 2010 STUDENT ETHICS SCHOLARSHIP \$1,000</p>	<p>Guidelines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Applicants must be residents of the U.S. and plan to attend an accredited college or university in the U.S. or Canada; -Applicants must be high school juniors or seniors; -Applicants should demonstrate their commitment to highly ethical behavior and provide documentation in the areas of leadership, community service, and academics. 	<p>Application deadline: March 19, 2010.</p>
<p>TWIN CITIES HOSPITAL AUXILIARY</p> <p>Amount TBA</p>	<p>Candidates must-pursue a career in the field of medicine, medical technology or in a medically related field.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -have potential in earning an associate or bachelor degree. - have a GPA of 2.0 and achieve college entrance exam scores which gain acceptance to the college of choice or been accepted by the college of choice. -be a participant in community service. -show financial need. 	<p>Application must be delivered to the NHS Guidance Department or mailed to Twin Cities Hospital by March 19, 2010.</p>
<p>2010 HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE PROJECT</p> <p>10 first place winners: varies from \$2,500- \$10,000; 10 second place winners: \$500 ea. 10 third place winners: \$300 ea.</p>	<p>Applicants must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - be currently enrolled as a high school student (grades 9-12) or who are high school seniors who may graduate high school at any time in 2010 or are students who are enrolled in a high school equivalency program; - be legal residents of either the United States or Mexico. <p>Applications must be submitted online at: www.holocaust.hklaw.com.</p>	<p>Application must be submitted on line by 11:59 p.m. April 2, 2010.</p>

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<p>EGLIN OFFICERS' SPOUSES' CLUB SCHOLARSHIP</p> <p>Amount TBA</p>	<p>Eligibility requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Graduating high school seniors who are dependents of active military assigned to Eglin AFB or graduation high school seniors from local high schools whose military sponsor is one of the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Retired military; b. Divorced; c. Assigned remote tour; d. MIA/POW/deceased; e. Reassigned from Eglin AFB and the applicant remained behind to graduate. -Students who are awarded any four-year military academy scholarship, other four year scholarships that include room and board, will not be eligible to receive this scholarship. -Applicant can only receive one scholarship from any OSC/OWC; -Applicant must have a 2.9 or higher GPA (based on Okaloosa County's weighted scale). <p>Application can be found at the NHS website: www.NicevilleHighSchool.org.</p>	<p>Return application to the Guidance Department by April 5, 2010.</p>
<p>AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY R.O.C.K. COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM</p> <p>Up to \$3,000/year</p>	<p>Applicant must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -be a Florida resident; -have a diagnosis of cancer before the age of 21; -be under the age of 21 at time of completing application; -attend an accredited school within Florida. <p>Criteria used for selection:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -financial need; -community service; -leadership; -cancer diagnosis; -type and length of treatment. <p>Apply online: www.cancer.org/rockscholarship.</p>	<p>Applications due by April 10, 2010.</p>
<p>JOHNSON SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION FOR CHILDREN OF UPS EMPLOYEES</p> <p>TBA</p>	<p>The Johnson Scholarship Foundation is offering scholarship aid to students who are the children of UPS employees. Questions about the Johnson Foundation Scholarship Program should be directed to Annette Meeks @ (507) 931-1682.</p>	<p>Application deadline: April 15, 2010.</p>
<p>AYN RAND INSTITUTE ESSAY CONTEST</p> <p>1ST Prize - \$10,000 5 2nd prizes - \$2,000 10 3rd prizes - \$1,000 35 Finalist Prizes - \$100 200 Semifinalist Prizes - \$50</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Entrants must be in the 11th or 12th grade. -Essay of no fewer than 800 and no more than 1,600 words in length- typewritten and double-spaced. -A cover sheet containing specific information must be attached to the essay and the completed essay mailed to the institute. Essay based on the novel "The Fountainhead". <p>Note: for complete entry directions you may log onto the web site at: http://www.aynrand.org/contests</p>	<p>Essay must be postmarked by April 25, 2010.</p>

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LAYMON A. HICKS SCHOLARSHIP FUND TBA	The Laymon A. Hicks Scholarship Fund desires to reward one deserving high school senior who has demonstrated academic excellence balanced with community involvement or other extra-curricular activities, with an educational scholarship. Applicant must: -possess a minimum 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale; -be a graduating senior; -be a first generation student entering an accredited two-year or four-year post-secondary institution; -demonstrate a dedication to community service; -show leadership potential; -be a resident of the United States; -be attending a college or university within the United States; -be pursuing his or her undergraduate degree; To apply, go to: www.laymonhicksscholarshipfund.org .	Scholarship deadline: May 7, 2010.
JOHNSON SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES TBA	The Johnson Scholarship Foundation is offering scholarship aid to students with disabilities who attend/will attend one of the eleven state universities. Questions about the Johnson Foundation Scholarship Program should be directed to the state university contact the student plans to attend.	Application deadline: May 15, 2010.
ABBOTT AND FENNER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM \$1,000	The A&F Scholarships are available to all high school juniors and seniors as well as all students between the ages of 16 and 30 AND currently registered in any accredited post secondary institution. To apply for this scholarship you will need to write an essay on the topic below. The essay should be between 500 and 1000 words. Your submissions must be sent to us by email at: scholarships@abbottandfenner.com Essay: • <i>What do you see as the long term impact of our current recession on the average family? How might it affect their future decisions?</i>	Scholarship deadline: June 19, 2010.
ANYCOLLEGE.COM TBA	AnyCollege.com is a FREE college search engine for prospective students. AnyCollege.com scholarships are given away randomly to college bound students regardless of GPA or test scores. To enter, students simply need to go to www.anycollege.com and click on the "Win A Scholarship" button that is located on the "Start College Search" page.	This is an on-going, random scholarship awards program.

Individual colleges offer scholarships to students who will be attending their institution. You will want to check in guidance often to see if the college to which you will be going has provided us with any information on scholarships available. This type of scholarship will not be advertised individually in this newsletter, but see Mrs. Susan Campbell in guidance for assistance.

