

Scholarship Fund of Alexandria January 2022 Newsletter

Dear ACPS Students, Families, and Alumni,

Happy New Year! January is **SFA Application Month**, so if you are a Senior or know a Senior, please be sure the application is completed **by January 31st** for a great chance to be awarded a scholarship that can be used any accredited college or career and technical program. Students with financial need could get at least \$12,000! The SFA plans to award \$1.2 million this year! Please go to sfa.awardspring.com to apply!

I have enjoyed working with many of you over the past few months, so it is with great sadness that I am leaving the SFA for another position. I'm truly grateful to have had the opportunity to meet and work with so many of you.

The Scholarship Fund staff remains available to support you. Ms. Shalita Kenney is available to ACHS students in Room A-117 and via email at shalita.kenney@acps.k12.va.us. Please know that SFA is here to support you in achieving your college and career plans.

SENIORS:

- **The Scholarship Fund of Alexandria application deadline is Monday, JANUARY 31!** - The Scholarship Fund awarded \$1.2 million in scholarships last year. All current ACHS seniors with above a 2.0 GPA are encouraged to apply. About half of the applicants are expected to be awarded a scholarship. All students may apply regardless of residency status. The application deadline is Monday, January 31st.
 - To apply, go to sfa.awardspring.com.
- **Submit the FAFSA as soon as possible!** – Every senior seeking to enroll in college, trade school, or a CTE program should complete the FAFSA if eligible. Completing the FAFSA can potentially qualify students for up to \$6,495 via the Pell Grant, as well as additional funding in state or institutional aid. Even if the student is not eligible for the Pell Grant, he or she may still be eligible to receive thousands in state or institutional aid. Every family should complete the FAFSA to see what they might qualify for! If you need support in completing the FAFSA, please contact an SFA College Adviser at college@acps.k12.va.us.
 - FAFSA is required to be considered for financial need-based scholarships from the SFA, so plan to complete the FAFSA by January 31st. To get started, go to studentaid.gov.
 - Completing the FAFSA can qualify students for grants, scholarships, and loans, but you are under no obligation to accept them.

NEW OPTION FOR STUDENTS INELIGIBLE TO COMPLETE THE FAFSA:

- **VASA (Alternative Financial Aid Application) now available:** Virginia students who are ineligible to complete the FAFSA due to their residency status, including undocumented students, will now be able to apply for the state aid at colleges in Virginia for the 2022-23 school year via the VASA Form. This means that students who previously were not eligible to receive federal or state financial aid may potentially qualify for free funding from the state of Virginia that they can use at a Virginia college or university. To access the application and learn more about your eligibility, click [this link](#). If you need support in completing the application or understanding the regulations, please [contact an SFA adviser](#).

ACHS ALUMNI:

- **Don't forget to renew your FAFSA!** - It is time to submit your 2022-23 FAFSA for next school year! Feel free to stop by the Scholarship Fund office for assistance over your winter break. You can make an appointment to complete the FAFSA using [this link](#). We'd love to hear about your fall semester & help you renew your financial aid.
- **Transferring?** - For many of you, it is time to start thinking about transferring from NOVA to a 4-year school. We are happy to assist with narrowing down your list of schools, editing essays, navigating the Guaranteed Admissions Agreements with Virginia colleges, etc.
- **Graduating?** - Class of 2018, we can't believe your college graduation is almost here! If you need help brushing up your résumé, writing cover letters, preparing for job interviews, or completing grad school applications, please reach out for help!

JUNIORS & SOPHOMORES:

- **Rising ACHS Juniors and Seniors** (current Juniors and Sophomores) who are interested in attending Virginia Tech should consider [Virginia Tech's Black College Institute](#). This is a FREE program that takes place virtually from June 12-17 for rising juniors. The program is also free for rising seniors, but the program dates and details have not yet been announced. The program is designed to attract underrepresented or first-generation students but is open to any student with an interest in Virginia Tech. Applications for 2022 are being taken **RIGHT NOW**, so take the time to check out the details. The deadline to apply is April 1st.
- **The YouVisit Foundation offers students and families FREE Virtual Campus Tours.** YouVisit offers more than 600 virtual tours with an immersive web experience that allows students to learn more about the college's programs, campus culture, and an opportunity to listen to students' experiences. Tours are also available via Virtual Reality. Go to <https://www.youvisit.com/collegesearch>

Below is a list of upcoming scholarships. Local scholarships are indicated by **pink text**.

JANUARY

1. [TMCF / Wells Fargo HBCU Completion Scholarship](#) – January 3, 2022 at 12 PM EST – \$5,000 maximum last-dollar scholarship for outstanding college seniors with financial need attending an HBCU (Historically Black College or University). Applicants must have a 3.0+ GPA and must be U.S. citizens or U.S. legal permanent residents. Applicants must also be enrolled full-time as a senior during the 2021-2022 academic year. Students selected will receive a scholarship for the 2021-22 school year that can be applied to costs associated with tuition and fees.
2. [Virginia Council on Women STEAM-H Essay Contest](#) – January 3, 2022 – **Essay contest open to Virginia high school seniors (or homeschool equivalent) who identify as women. GPA minimum is 2.5 for students applying for need-based scholarships and 3.0 for students applying for merit-based scholarships. Applicants should be planning to attend an institution of higher education (to include but not limited to a community college, four-year college or university, trade or technical school, or certificate program). Applicants must provide a 700 – 1,000 word essay that addresses their motivation for pursuing a STEAM-H (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, Mathematics, and Healthcare) career and their anticipated course of STEAM-H study, trade, and/or profession.**
3. [GE-Reagan Foundation Scholarship](#) – January 6, 2022 – \$10,000 per year renewable scholarship for high school seniors with 3.0+ GPA who demonstrate exemplary leadership, drive, integrity, and citizenship.
4. [Diller Teen Tikkun Olam Award](#) – January 7, 2022 – \$36,000 scholarship open to teens ages 13-19 who self-identify as Jewish who have demonstrated remarkable leadership and engagement in projects that embody the values of tikkun olam, “repairing the world.”
5. [YouthCon Scholarship](#) – January 9, 2022 – **\$1,000 - \$3,000 essay scholarships available to middle and high school students residing Maryland, Virginia, or Washington D.C. Applicants that are high school seniors must plan to enroll or actually be enrolled full-time as a college student in the Fall 2022 semester.**
6. [Ron Brown Scholar Program](#) – January 9, 2022 – Open to Black/African-American high school seniors who excel academically, exhibit exceptional leadership potential, participate in community service activities, and demonstrate financial need. US citizens or permanent residents only. Renewable scholarship awarding \$10,000 per year.
7. [Jack Kent Cooke Undergraduate Transfer Scholarship](#) – January 10, 2022 – \$55,000 maximum highly selective scholarship (renewable) for the nation’s top community college students seeking to complete their Bachelor’s degrees at four-year colleges or universities. Applicants must have an unweighted college GPA of 3.5+ and demonstrate

financial need (with a family income less than \$95,000). Applicants must have sophomore status or be a recent graduate (within the last five years) of an accredited U.S. community college or two-year institution. Applicants must intend to enroll full-time at an accredited four-year college or university in the fall of 2022.

8. [Visa Black Scholarship and Job Program](#) – January 10, 2022 – Up to \$20,000 renewable scholarships available to Black and African-American high school seniors with a 3.0+ GPA. Recipients are also eligible to receive mentorship from Visa employees, year-round training, and a guaranteed full-time job with Visa upon graduation. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents who intend to pursue studies in Technology or Business with an expected graduation date between December 2025 and May 2026.
9. [Fund for Education Abroad](#) – January 12, 2022 at 12 PM EST – \$5,000 - \$10,000 scholarship for current college students intending to pursue study abroad opportunities. The study abroad program must be at least four weeks and offer credits that are transferrable to the student's home institution.
10. [Jackie Robinson Foundation](#) – January 12, 2022 at 5 PM – Open to minority high school seniors with a record of academic excellence, demonstrated financial need, leadership potential, and dedication to community service. Submission of test scores are optional. Applicants must be U.S. citizens who plan to attend an accredited four-year college within the US or affiliated with the U.S.
11. [Diversity Advancement Scholarship](#) – January 14, 2022 – \$20,000 maximum scholarship (over the course of 5 years) for students who will be enrolled in an NAAB-accredited architecture program during the 2022-23 school year. (A list of NAAB-accredited architecture programs can be found [here](#)). Open to U.S. citizens who identify with an ethnically diverse group. Eligible applicants include high school seniors, rising second-year college students, or a high school graduate or GED holder attending a technical school or community college who intends to transfer to an NAAB-accredited program.
12. [JFK Profile in Courage Essay](#) – January 14, 2022 – \$100 - \$10,000 essay contest open to 9-12 grade students. Students must write an original essay (with a 700 – 1,000 word count) describing an act of political courage by a U.S. elected official who served during or after 1917, the year John F. Kennedy was born.
13. [Washington Crossing Scholarship](#) – January 15, 2022 – \$500 - \$5,000 scholarships for high school seniors planning careers in government service. Applicants will be invited to write a one-page essay stating why he or she plans a career in government service including any inspiration to be derived from the leadership of George Washington in his famous crossing of the Delaware.
14. [Hurst AACN Scholarship](#) – January 15, 2022 – \$2,500 scholarship open to current college students pursuing professional nursing degrees at an [AACN member institutions](#).
15. [VALHEN Scholarship](#) – January 16, 2021 – \$1,000 - \$2,500 scholarships (most of which are renewable) open to Hispanic/Latinx high school seniors and Virginia undergraduate

students, including Virginia community college students transferring to a university in Virginia. Students must live in VA and have a 2.5+ GPA. **Open to undocumented students and other students who are not eligible to complete the FAFSA.**

16. [The Point Foundation Scholarship](#) – January 18, 2021 at 12 PM EST – Last-dollar renewable scholarship open to LGBTQ high school seniors, college students, or graduate students who will be enrolled full-time at an accredited college in the U.S. as of the fall of 2022. Applicants must be “out” and identify with and work for the betterment of the LGBTQ community. Students who will be enrolled at community colleges, online programs, trade schools, or in post-doctoral research programs are not eligible. Students at community colleges are only eligible to apply if they will have transferred to a four-year university by the 2022-23 school year. **Open to undocumented students.**
17. [Elie Wiesel Prize in Ethics Essay Contest](#) – January 18, 2021 at 5 PM PST – \$1,000 - \$10,000 prizes available to juniors and seniors who are enrolled full-time at an accredited four-year college or university in the U.S. during the Fall 2021 or Spring 2022 semester. Applicants will be asked to provide a 3,000 – 4,000 word essay answering the following prompt: Articulate with clarity an ethical issue that you have encountered and analyze what it has taught you about ethics and yourself. Note that the most engaging essays often reflect deeply on a particularly meaningful experience or episode in one’s life. Students entering the contest are also required to have a faculty sponsor (a professor at their college) review their essay and electronically verify that the student’s essay meets the established contest standards.
18. [HBCU Council Scholarship](#) – January 19, 2021 – **\$3,000 maximum scholarships for students residing in the DC Metro area who are members of a church or community-based organization. Scholarships are available to incoming freshman at an HBCU with a 2.5+ GPA (with the exception of prior recipients of the HBCU Council Scholarship Awards who can apply if they will be HBCU college juniors and seniors with a 3.0+ GPA.**
19. [C-SPAN's Student Cam Competition](#) – January 20, 2022 – \$250 - \$5,000 one-time awards available for students in grades 6-12. Applicants must create a short (5-6 minute) video documentary on a topic that relates to the competition theme, “How does the federal government impact your life?” Students may compete individually or in teams of 2-3 members.
20. [Mas Family Scholarship](#) – January 21, 2022 – \$8,000 renewable scholarships available to students born in Cuba or students of direct Cuban descent with a 3.5+ GPA. Applicants are required to provide proof of Cuban descent (e.g. student, parent, or grandparent birth certificate or notarized affidavit).
21. [Coolidge Scholarship](#) – January 26, 2022 at 5 PM EST – 4-year, full-ride scholarship open to high school juniors who have excelled academically and plan to enroll full-time at an accredited U.S. college for the first time in fall 2023. Applicants must be citizens or U.S. permanent residents by the application deadline.

22. [APIASF Scholarship](#) – January 26, 2022 – \$2,500 - \$20,000 scholarships (some of which are renewable) scholarship open to students of Asian and/or Pacific Islander ethnicity (as defined by the U.S. Census) with a minimum unweighted GPA of 2.7. Applicants must be U.S. citizens, U.S. nationals, or U.S. permanent residents. Citizens of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau are also eligible to apply.
23. [Hamilton Award](#) – January 26, 2022 at 11:59 PM PST – \$500 renewable scholarships available to high-achieving, college-bound high school juniors who are committing to participating in Hamilton’s five-year Empowerment program. As part of the program, students receive mentorship, networking opportunities, college application, and financial aid counseling, and internship support that begins in the summer before senior year and lasts throughout college graduation. Applicants must have a 3.0+ GPA and have a household adjusted gross income no higher than \$100,000. Applicants should be service-focused and possess grit and perseverance. Applicants should live in the U.S. and plan to attend a college in the U.S. **Undocumented students and other non-residents are eligible to apply.**
24. [Scholarship Fund of Alexandria Application](#) – January 31, 2022 – \$500 - \$40,000 scholarships available. Awards are exclusively for graduating ACHS seniors with a 2.0+ GPA, and both financial need-based and non-need based awards are available. About 50% of applicants are awarded! **Open to undocumented students and other students who are not eligible to complete the FAFSA.**
25. [Princeton Prize in Race Relations](#) – January 31, 2022 – \$1,000 scholarship and all-expense paid trip to a national symposium on race relations at Princeton University. Open to students in grades 9-12 grade who significantly engage and challenge their schools or communities to advance racial equity in order to promote respect and understanding among all people. There are two parts of the application—one for you and one for your sponsor. Your sponsor must be a teacher, advisor, community or religious leader, or another responsible adult who is not related to you.
26. [Daughters of the American Revolution Scholarship](#) – January 31, 2022 – Scholarships of varying criteria and award amounts ranging from \$1,000 - \$5,000 available to graduating high school seniors, current college students, and graduate students who are US citizens. Applicants do not need to be DAR members or related to a DAR member to be eligible. Applicants must attend or plan to attend an accredited college or university in the U.S.

February

1. [Wings Over America Scholarship](#) – February 1, 2022 at 5 PM EST– Open to dependent children/stepchildren and the spouses of active duty, retired, honorably discharged, or diseased Enlisted or Officer U.S. Navy personnel who serve or have served in U.S. Navy Aviation. Available to dependent children candidates who are graduating high school seniors, high school graduates (or homeschooled equivalent), current college or trade school students. Dependent children candidates must be 22 or younger by March 1, 2022 and must ultimately enroll as full-time students during the 2022-23 school year. Dependent

spouse candidates can opt to enroll full-time or part time (with a minimum of 6 credits per semester). Also open to spouses and children of U.S. Navy members who died while on active duty serving within a U.S. Navy aviation command.

2. [Dream Project Scholarship](#) – February 1, 2022 – Open to Virginia high school seniors and college students who were born outside of the United States and whose immigration status (undocumented, DACA, TPS, Asylum Applicant) creates barriers to success in college. Recipients are expected to attend an accredited two- or four-year college or university.
3. [Roothbert Scholarship Fund](#) – February 1, 2022 – \$5,000 - \$7,000 scholarships (that are potentially renewable) targeted to candidates whose daily actions are guided by spiritual motives. Available to applicants pursuing an undergraduate or graduate study at an accredited U.S. based college or university. Applicants must have a current or intended residency by March 1st in one of the following states: Virginia, District of Columbia, Maryland, Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Rhode Island, Vermont, or West Virginia. Strong preference will be given to graduate students, as well as undergraduates who have completed at least 1 year of study (i.e. sophomore or junior applicants).
4. [Ben Carlson Scholarship](#) – February 1, 2022 – \$10,000 scholarships open to high school seniors and undergraduate students with past or present participation in a junior lifeguard program or past or present employment as an open water lifeguard. Pool lifeguarding and/or certification are not considered. High school applicants must have a minimum unweighted GPA of 3.2, and undergraduate students must have a minimum GPA of 3.0. Open to students who will be attending a four-year postsecondary school during the 2022-23 academic year as a full-time undergraduate student.
5. [John F. and Anna Lee Stacey Scholarship](#) – February 1, 2022 – \$500 - \$5,000 scholarship open to students between the ages 18-35 who aim to make art their profession.
6. [Significant Challenge College Scholarship](#) – February 1, 2022 – \$5,000 scholarships available to high school seniors graduating from an accredited US high school in the Spring of 2022. Applicants must have a 3.4+ GPA, have taken challenging courses throughout their high school career, and exhibited leadership within their community. Applicant must be a U.S. citizen or lawful permanent resident.
7. [Dr. Bart Kamen FIRST Robotics Competition Scholarship](#) – February 1, 2022 – \$10,000 scholarship open to high school seniors or high school graduates who have not yet begun full-time undergraduate studies at a college or university who have participated in FRC for at least one year. Applicant must have either applied for admission to or been admitted to a full-time undergraduate program in Biomedical Engineering, Pre-Medical Studies, or a program that allows students to pursue a chosen major while simultaneously completing the standard subset of medical school preparatory courses (e.g. Biology, Chemistry, and Organic Chemistry).
8. [Sunflower Initiative Scholarship](#) – February 1, 2022 – \$10,000 renewable scholarship open to high-achieving women who will be starting their first full term at a US or Canadian

undergraduate women's college in the Fall of 2022. For best consideration, applications should have an unweighted 3.7+ GPA. While students are not required to submit test scores, students who have composite SAT scores of at least 1350 or a composite ACT score of at least 27 (with no single ACT score below 25) are considered competitive. The application is open to graduating high school seniors, high school graduates who have taken a gap year since graduating from high school, and women who are returning to college after matriculating (and leaving after the completion of their first semester).

9. [BMI Student Composer Award](#) – February 4, 2022 – \$500 - \$5,000 scholarships available to composers under the age of 27 engaged in the study of classical music with a recognized and established teacher. To apply, applicants must submit an original music competition that has not been published (unless self-published), or recorded commercially. The composer must be the sole composer of the original work submitted, must have the full right and authority to enter the composition, and should not have previously received an award or prize for the composition.
10. [AMS Freshman Undergraduate Scholarship](#) – February 4, 2022 – \$5,000 scholarships awarded \$2,500 for each year (freshman and sophomore years). Open to high school students with a 3.0+ GPA who will be freshmen in the Fall of 2022 pursuing a career in the atmospheric and related oceanic or hydrologic sciences (not including marine biology). Applicants must be U.S. citizens or hold permanent resident status. The Society encourages applications from women, minorities, and disabled students, traditionally underrepresented in the atmospheric and related oceanic and hydrologic sciences.
11. [AMS Minority Scholarship](#) – February 4, 2022 – \$6,000 scholarship awarded \$3,000 for each year (freshman and sophomore years). Open to students who will be freshmen in the Fall of 2022 pursuing a career in the atmospheric and related oceanic or hydrologic sciences. Applicants must have a minimum of GPA of 3.0 of 4.0 scale.
12. [McDonald's HACER National Scholarship](#) – February 7, 2022 – Open to high school seniors with 2.8+ GPA who have at least one parent of Hispanic heritage. Applicants must be legal U.S. residents who are younger than 21 years old.
13. [The Community Foundation for Northern Virginia \(Various Scholarships\)](#) – February 7, 2022 – Scholarships of varying amounts and criteria, most of which are available to graduating high school seniors but also open to high school graduates, GED holders, and college students. Applicants must reside in the Northern Virginia region. Listed below are links to the CFNV Scholarships with February 7th deadlines:
 - [AMS Opportunity Scholarship Fund](#)
 - [Ashworth Grogan Scholarship Fund](#)
 - [Elizabeth Koury Scholarship Fund](#)
 - [Leslie V. Forte Scholarship Fund](#)

- [NVTC Foundation Kilberg Scholarship Fund](#)
 - [Rose Koury Scholarship Fund for Careers in Education](#)
 - [Vance International, Inc. Scholarship Fund](#)
14. [Davidson Fellows Scholarship Fund](#) – February 9, 2022 at 12 PM – \$10,000 - \$50,000 scholarships awarded to extraordinary young people under the age of 18 by the deadline working on high-level projects in the STEM and Humanities fields. The Davidson Institute is looking for students whose projects are at, or close to, the college graduate level with a depth of knowledge in their particular area of study. Applicants can submit the application individually or as a part of a team of two. Applicants must choose a category and refer to the specific requirements for the selected category. Categories include science, technology, engineering, math, literature, music, philosophy, and outside the box. Projects in the arts including but not limited to photography, sculpture, and film are not eligible for consideration.
 15. [ATSS Roadway Worker Memorial Scholarship](#) – February 15, 2022 – Scholarships worth up to \$10,000 for dependents (children and spouses) of workers killed or permanently disabled in roadway work zones. Parents with custody of legal guardianship of surviving children are also eligible. The scholarship must be applied to a post-secondary institution (including vocational programs and training institutions) that requires a high school diploma or GED for admission.
 16. [Hispanic Scholarship Fund](#) – February 15, 2022 – \$500 - 5,000 scholarships open to Hispanic high school seniors with a 3.0+ GPA and current college/graduate students with a 2.5+ GPA of Hispanic heritage. Open to U.S. citizens, permanent legal residents, eligible non-citizens, and **DACA students**. Applicants must plan to enroll full-time in an accredited, public or not-for-profit, four-year university, or graduate school, in the US, for the 2022-2023 academic year.
 17. [Virginia State Scholarship Fund](#) – February 15, 2022 – \$1,500 - \$2,500 scholarships open to young women who will be incoming college freshman in the fall of 2022 or current college students. Applicants should have financial need and must have a 3.0+ GPA. Applicants must be U.S. citizens or legal permanent residents, in addition to being a Virginia resident who will be attending an accredited Virginia institution of higher education as a full-time undergraduate student.
 18. [2022 FOSSI \(The Future of STEM Scholars Initiative\) Scholarship](#) – February 15, 2022 – \$10,000 renewable scholarships available to exceptional high school seniors pursuing studies in a pertinent chemical and engineering industry STEM field at an HBCU. Applicants must possess a minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale and be entering their freshman year of college. Applicants must be US citizens or legal US permanent residents with demonstrated financial need.
 19. [HBCU Week X NFL Scholarship](#) – February 15, 2022 – Scholarships for students planning to attend an Historically Black College or University (HBCU) as a freshman in college in

the 2022-23 school year. Students must have a minimum, unweighted high school GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. Applicants must demonstrate financial need and be a citizen or legal permanent resident of the United States.

20. [VSGA-VIP Scholarship Foundation](#) – February 16, 2022 – \$1,500 - \$7,000 scholarships (some of which are renewable available to high school seniors with an interest in golf. The Foundation intends to award up to 25% of its scholarships to VSGA employees or children of VSGA employees, but applicants are not required to hold this affiliation. Applicants are required to provide a letter of recommendation from a VSGA representative.
21. [Animal Welfare Institute Scholarship](#) – February 16, 2022 – \$2,000 scholarships available to high school seniors with a demonstrated commitment to animal welfare. Applicants will be asked to provide four essays and two letters of recommendation (one of which should come from a reference who is able to verify your involvement in advocating for or working with animals).
22. [Scholarships for Military Children Program](#) – February 17, 2022 at 11:59 PST – \$2,000 scholarships available to students under the age of 23 whose parents are serving in or retired from the Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force, or Coast Guard. Open to high school and college students who will be enrolled in a full-time undergraduate program leading to a Bachelor's degree or a community or junior college designed to allow for direct transfer into a four-year program. High school applicants must have a 3.0+ GPA, and college applicants must have a 2.5+ GPA.
23. [Heroes' Legacy Scholarship](#) – February 17, 2022 at 11:59 PST – \$5,000 maximum scholarships available to dependent unmarried children under the age of 23 of active-duty personnel, Reserve/Guard, and retired military members. Applicants must be the child of a parent who has died or become disabled through their active military service on or after September 11th, 2001. (More detailed criteria specifications in regards to service and disability can be found [here](#).) Open to high school and college students who will be enrolled in a full-time undergraduate program leading to a Bachelor's degree or a community or junior college designed to allow for direct transfer into a four-year program. High school applicants must have a 3.0+ GPA, and college applicants must have a 2.5+ GPA.
24. [City of Fairfax Young Artist Scholarship](#) – February 18, 2022 – \$2,000 cash award for a high school junior or senior enrolled in a northern Virginia high school band or orchestra (or homeschooled students who are active and regular participants in a community or youth performing ensemble). Applicant must play a standard band woodwind, brass, or percussion instrument. Applicants are required to submit an audiotape or CD with a prepared selection of readily available in band accompanied form. If selected as a finalist, the applicant must be willing to participate in a competition recital. If ultimately selected as a winner, the applicant must be willing to perform with the City of Fairfax Band.
25. [Dream US National Scholarship](#) – February 28, 2022 at 11:59 PST – Renewable scholarships worth up to \$16,500 towards an Associate's Degree and up to \$33,000 towards a Bachelor's Degree. Recipients may also be eligible for an additional stipend of

up to \$4,000 annually for books, supplies, and transportation. **Scholarship for DACA and TPS high school and college students** applying to a Dream US partner college (NOVA, Marymount, or GMU).

Additional Scholarship Sources

- **Scholarship America:** Scholarship application site where nearly 100 scholarships are listed
- **United Negro College Fund:** Various scholarships available for college-bound African-American students
- **Naviance:** Listing of local, state, national, and college-specific scholarships maintained by the ACHS College and Career Center
 - Students will login to Naviance using their ACPS Clever login, select “Colleges” at the top of the screen, then click on “Scholarship Search.”
- **Scholarship Sharing:** Virginia-based scholarship search engine
- **FastWeb:** Scholarship search engine

As usual, please feel free to contact SFA with any questions. Please feel free to make an appointment using [this link](#) to discuss any of the topics below.

- Scholarships and financial aid
- Analyzing financial aid award letters
- Writing college and scholarship essays
- Building a résumé
- Financial aid options for undocumented students

Best,

Ms. Samuel