

# Scholarships 2015-2016

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# Ways to apply: 1<sup>st</sup> Step FAFSA

- FAFSA
- Need Based vs. Non-Need Based

# Ways to apply: CSS PROFILE

- <https://student.collegeboard.org/css-financial-aid-profile>
- Waiver for low income students

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# Types of Maryland State Financial Aid

- [WWW.MHEC.STATE.MD.US](http://WWW.MHEC.STATE.MD.US)
- Need-based Grants
- Legislative Scholarships
- Merit-Based Scholarships
- Career-Based Scholarships
- Special Populations
- Tuition Waivers

# Maryland State Aid – Need Based Grants

- Howard P. Rawlings Educational Assistance Grant
  - Priority consideration given to FAFSA applicants who complete by March 1
  - Students must be enrolled full-time (12 credits or more at FCC) to be eligible
  - Students must be enrolled in an eligible Associate's Degree program
- Part-Time Grant
  - Awards range from \$300 to \$450 per semester at FCC
  - Must be enrolled in eligible Associate's Degree program

# Maryland State Aid – Legislative Scholarships

- Delegate Scholarship & Senatorial Scholarship
  - Students can apply by contacting their Senator and Delegates
  - Go to: [www.mdelect.net](http://www.mdelect.net) or
  - Call the Board of Supervisors of Elections for your county:
    - Frederick County is (301) 600-8683

# Maryland State Aid – Career Based Scholarships

- ▶ Workforce Shortage Assistance
  - ▶ Child Development or Early Childhood Education
  - ▶ Human Services
  - ▶ Certain Education Programs
  - ▶ Nursing
  - ▶ Physical Therapy; PT Assistant; Occupational Therapy, OT Assistant
  - ▶ Law
  - ▶ Social Work
  - ▶ Other as defined by the state



# Maryland State Aid – Special Populations

- Edward T. Conroy Memorial
  - 100% disabled public service employees;
  - children & spouses of deceased and 100% disabled military;
  - spouses & children of victims of the September 11 terrorist attacks
- Veterans of the Afghanistan and Iraq Conflicts
  - Veterans who served in the Afghanistan or Iraq conflicts,
  - Their Spouses & Children

# Maryland State Aid – Tuition Waivers

- Tuition Waivers
  - Students with Disabilities
    - For students receiving SSI or SSDI
    - Must self-disclose to your college
  - Unaccompanied Homeless Youth
    - Contact your college's Financial Aid Office
    - Must complete the FAFSA by March 1
  - Foster Care Students
    - Must be on the Maryland Foster Care list – put on by caseworker
    - Must complete the FAFSA by March 1

# FCC Institutional Scholarships

- **Ambassador Scholarship** – 3.5 GPA - \$350 per semester – service commitment
- **Routzahn Scholarship** – Business major – Nomination by high school guidance counselor
- **Shields Music Scholarship** – Requires an audition – Application due around the end of June
- **Athletic Scholarships** - Talk to the FCC Coaches
- **Academic Works** – FCC online scholarship application opens April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2016 - June 30, 2016 for the Fall 2015 semester

# Institutional Scholarships

- Are they stackable?
- What are the deadlines
- Different “schools” within the Universities
- Automatically applied or separate application?

# Other Opportunities

- Local Organizations
  - Rotary, AmVets, FOP, Eagles, etc.
  - Churches or Religious Organizations
  - Local Foundations
  - Local Businesses, your employer
- High School Guidance Office
  - Check with the office for scholarship listings

# Community Foundation Frederick County

- Apply at : [www.cffredco.org](http://www.cffredco.org)
- Apply from March 30, 2016 – April 30, 2016
- Complete list of requirements on their web site as well as helpful tips
- Frederick County residents
- Covers up to the cost of tuition, fees, and books

# Private Scholarship Search

- Internet:
  - College Board's Scholarship Search
    - [www.collegeboard.com/paying](http://www.collegeboard.com/paying)
  - FastWeb Scholarship Search
    - [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)
- Foster Care To Success
  - <http://www.fc2success.org/our-programs/information-for-students/>

# Helpful Tips and Tricks

- Be sure to always verify the validity of the scholarship source
- Be Aware of Scholarship Scams – Never pay for a scholarship application!
- Thank You letters make a good impression!
- ....so do good essays
- Accuracy when completing applications is important
- Know the requirements to get and keep your scholarship(s)
- Respond timely to offers
- Write one or two essays and adapt as needed

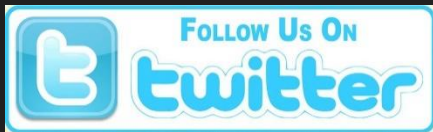


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