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## Scholarships & Grants

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This publication is not intended to be a complete listing of all scholarships and grants which are available. As the Regional Office of Education receives information on scholarships, we will update this listing. Students are urged to check with their high school counselor or the office of financial aid at the university or college they wish to attend. Many departments have special scholarships for students in that field of study and most schools have merit scholarships for academic achievement. To order free financial aid material, please contact the U.S. Department of Education.

**Aldrich Green Scholarship:** (Cumberland students ONLY)

The Aldrich Green scholarship is offered to Cumberland high school seniors who aspire to continue their education at the college level. The award can be up to \$1,000 and will be given to a student annually but will be distributed \$500 per semester for the time he or she is enrolled in college. Special consideration will be given to students planning to return to Cumberland county to reside in and/or seek employment.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must (1) have good academic standings, (2) have some school involvement (work experience may be considered) and (3) have good citizenship/behavior.

Application: Will be available February 1, 2012 by [www.firstneighbor.com/scholarship/scholarships.htm](http://www.firstneighbor.com/scholarship/scholarships.htm) or contacting your local First Neighbor Bank.

Application deadline: May 2, 2012

**Ameren Illinois Minority Scholarship:**

Ameren Illinois will award one \$2,500 scholarship every year to a minority graduating, high school senior who has been accepted to an accredited 2-year or 4-year college or university in the United States.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must (1) earn a minimum cumulative high school GPA of 2.667 on a 4.0 scale, (2) major in an engineering discipline and (3) be a permanent resident within the Ameren Illinois distribution service area at the time the scholarship is awarded.

Application: <http://www.ameren.com/sites/aiu/Community/Pages/Scholarship.aspx>

Application deadline: April 8, 2012

**American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association Educational Foundation:**

The AHEPA Educational Foundation offers scholarship programs to promote, encourage, induce and advance education at the college, university, and graduate school level. The scholarships may range up to \$2,000 and are payable to the student, not the institution.

Eligibility requirements: The Applicant must: (1.) be able to certify that he or she is an active member of the AHEPA Family; or he or she is of Greek descent, the son or daughter or a member, in good standing, of AHEPA, the Daughters of Penelope, Sons of Pericles or the Maids of Athena. (2) be a high school graduate or high school senior planning to attend, full time, an accredited college or university during the 2012-2013 academic year.

Application: <http://ahepa.org>

Application deadline: March 31, 2012

**American Legion Auxiliary:**

**Children of Warriors National Presidents' Scholarship:** This scholarship provides funds to assist children of those who have served. This award will be presented to 15 students annually who excel in academics and volunteer in their communities.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must study only at a 4-year accredited college or university and may be used for tuition, books, fees, room and board. Candidates shall be daughters, stepdaughters, sons, stepsons, grandsons, step-grandsons, granddaughters, step-granddaughters, great-granddaughters, step-great granddaughters, great-grandsons, step-great grandsons of veterans who served in the armed forces during eligibility dates for membership in the American Legion. Applicant must complete 50 hours of community service during his/her high school years.

Application: [www.alaforveterans.org](http://www.alaforveterans.org) or the Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: March 1, 2012.

## **American Legion Auxiliary Cont.:**

**The Spirit of the Youth Scholarship Fund:** This fund supports three separate scholarship opportunities for participants in American Legion Auxiliary programs: ALA Girls Nation Program Scholarships, Honorary National Junior President Scholarship, and Spirit of the Youth Scholarship for Junior Members. Scholarships range from \$1,000 to \$4,000.

Eligibility Requirements: Review the website for requirements for each program.

Application: [www.alaforveterans.org](http://www.alaforveterans.org) or the Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: March 1, 2012.

**Samsung American Legion Scholarship:** Every year, \$300,000 in Samsung American Legion scholarships are awarded to nearly 100 American Legion Boys State and American Legion Auxiliary Girls State participants. These scholarships are for undergraduate study only and may be used for tuition, books, fees, room and board.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must be high school juniors who attend either American Legion Auxiliary Girls State or American Legion Boys State, be direct descendants of a U.S. wartime veteran who served on active duty during one or more of the periods of war designated as eligibility dates for membership in the American Legion, and direct descendants of Korean War veterans will receive special consideration.

Application: [www.alaforveterans.org](http://www.alaforveterans.org) or the Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: Applications are submitted to the program staff upon the participants' arrival at State.

**Non-Traditional Student Scholarship:** This scholarship program allows people who are part of the American Legion family to pursue a degree later in life or to pick up where they left off when their studies were interrupted. The award is \$1,000 given annually per Auxiliary geographic division.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must (1) be a member of the American Legion, Auxiliary, or Sons of the American Legion, (2) have dues been paid for the two preceding years and for the calendar year in which the application is made, and (3) be pursuing training in a certified, trade, professional, or technical program, or a two-year or four-year degree program.

Application: [www.alaforveterans.org](http://www.alaforveterans.org) or the Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: March 1, 2012.

## **American Legion Legacy Scholarship:**

The American Legion wants to ensure higher education is possible for children whose parents have been killed while serving the country. The amount of aid and number of awards depends upon the income derived from the trust.

Eligibility Requirements: The Applicant must (1) a high school senior and (2) be a child, legally adopted child or a child of a spouse by a prior marriage or dependent child as defined by the United States Armed Services of active duty United States Military and National Guard, and military reservists who were federalized and die on active duty on or after September 11, 2001.

Application: <http://www.legion.org/scholarships/legacy> or Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: April 15, 2012

**AMVETS Scholarship Program:**

For each scholarship listed, preference will be given to all applicants who are a child or grandchild of a Veteran. The deadline for the following applications must be postmarked by March 1, 2012. Please mail them to: AMVETS Department of Illinois State Headquarters, 2200 South Sixth Street, Springfield, IL 62703. All applications can be found at: [www.ilamvets.org](http://www.ilamvets.org) or the Regional Office of Education

**Illinois AMVETS Service Foundation:**

One year \$1,000 non-renewable scholarship

Eligibility Requirements: The Applicant must (1) be an Illinois high school senior and (2) have taken the ACT or SAT

**Illinois AMVETS Sad Sacks Nursing:**

One year scholarship, amount to be determined. Priorities will be given to dependents of a deceased or disabled veteran.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicant must (1) be an Illinois high school senior who has been accepted into a pre-approved nursing program (A copy of the acceptance letter must accompany the application) and (2) prove satisfactory in academic record, character, interest and activity record, and financial need.

**Illinois AMVETS Junior ROTC:**

One year \$1,000 non-renewable scholarship

Eligibility Requirements: The Applicant must: (1) be an Illinois high school senior (2) have taken the ACT or SAT, and (3) Participate in the Junior ROTC program.

**Illinois AMVETS Trade School Scholarship:**

One year, \$1,000 non-renewable scholarship

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must: (1) be an Illinois high school senior who has been accepted in a pre-approved trade school program (a copy of an acceptance letter must accompany the application)

**Illinois AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Memorial:**

One year scholarship for \$500.00

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must: (1) be an Illinois high school senior, (2) be a child or grandchild of a Veteran of the United States of America who served after September 15, 1940, and was Honorably Discharged or who is presently serving in the military and (3) have taken the ACT or SAT.

**Illinois AMVETS Ladies Auxiliary Worchid:**

One year scholarship for \$500.00

Eligibility Requirements: The Applicant must: (1) be an Illinois high school senior, (2) be a child of a deceased father or mother who was a Veteran of the United States of America who served after September 1940, and was Honorable Discharged. They need not be killed in action or died as a result of a service-connected disability, and (3) have taken the ACT or SAT.

**Bailey (Fred S.) Scholarship – University of Illinois YMCA:**

All undergraduate students who will be enrolled at the University of Illinois at Champaign throughout the 2011-2012 term are eligible to receive a one-time award of \$3,000.

Eligibility Requirements: The Applicant must demonstrate: (1) impact of his or her commitment to service, community involvement, leadership and action, (2) awareness and critical thought about the pressing issues facing the world today and (3) financial need and academic achievement will be considered.

Application: [www.universityymca.org/bailey](http://www.universityymca.org/bailey)

Application deadline: February 28, 2012.

**BancTrust Opportunity Foundation Scholarship:**

First Bank & Trust is making a significant commitment to education by providing 14 scholarship opportunities totaling \$14,000.

Eligibility Requirements: The Applicant must be a high school senior in Champaign, Clark, or Edgar County in Illinois and meet the criteria set by the Scholarship Committee: (1) maintained a minimum of a “B” GPA and, (2) plan to enroll full time at an accredited two or four year college, university or trade/vocational school in the U.S. Gender, race or financial need will not be criteria for selection.

Application: [www.firstbanktrust.com](http://www.firstbanktrust.com) or the Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: March 23, 2012 to: First Bank, Attn: S. Handley, PO Box 880, Paris, IL 61944 or return to any First Bank location.

**Barger Family Charitable Foundation:**

This one-year grant is awarded through First Mid-Illinois Bank and Trust. Students are eligible to receive the scholarship for up to four years of their education. However, the application is for one year and it is necessary to re-apply each year that you will be attending school.

Eligibility Requirements include: applicants must be a graduate of Mattoon, Charleston, Cumberland or Neoga High School and must have been admitted to or attending an accredited college in the field of agriculture.

Application: Available at Mattoon High School or in the Wealth Management Division at First Mid-IL Bank & Trust.

Application deadline: The fully completed application must be submitted no later than April 15<sup>th</sup> to: First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust, PO Box 529, Mattoon, IL 61938, Attention: Laura Walk, Wealth Management Division.

### **Bauer (George) Trust Fund Scholarship**

This scholarship will be awarded annually by Busey Trust Company. A student may receive this scholarship more than once and may reapply each year that he/she is in school. However, it should not be assumed to be renewable to a recipient already having received a previous scholarship or grant. It must be used to pay college tuition or other college expenses, such as books, fees, housing or clothing.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant shall be a student seeking to become a medical doctor or nurse and be a full time student at an accredited college or university. The award is based on grades, financial need and character.

Application: Available at Busey Trust Company or the Regional Office of Education.

Application deadline: April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012 send to: Busey Trust Company, Trustee for the George Bauer Scholarship Fund, 200 West Main, PO Box 500, Shelbyville, IL 62565.

For more information, contact Julie Price, Assistant Trust Officer at 217-774-5515.

### **Bickers Memorial Scholarship for Student Athletes:** (Clark and Edgar County Students ONLY)

This award is offered by Union Hospital Foundation.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must be a graduating high school senior who: (1) have participated in one or more high school athletics (2) have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale and (3) graduating from a high school located in Vigo County or on the of the surrounding counties in Indiana and Illinois (Clark and Edgar).

Application: Available February 2012 online at [www.unionhospitalfoundation.org](http://www.unionhospitalfoundation.org)

### **Burger King Scholars Program:**

Burger King offers a variety of scholarships (up to \$50,000) in memory of Burger King's co-founder James W. McLamore.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must (1) be residents of the United States, Canada or Puerto Rico (2) be a graduating senior, have a cumulative high school grade point average of 2.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale and (3) plan to enroll full time, without interruption, for the entire 2012-2013 academic year at an accredited two or four-year college or university, or vocational-technical school.

Application: [www.haveyourwayfoundation.org](http://www.haveyourwayfoundation.org) available November 2011

Application deadline: Application closes January 2012.

### **Burgess/Osborne (Emily) Scholarship Fund:**

This one-year grant is awarded through First Mid-Illinois Bank and Trust. Students are eligible to receive the scholarship for up to four years of their education. However, the application is for one year and it is necessary to re-apply each year that you will be attending school.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must be a graduate of Mattoon High School and be a full time student (12 or more credit hours).

Application: Available at Mattoon High School or in the Wealth Management Division at First Mid-IL Bank & Trust.

Application deadline: April 15<sup>th</sup> Send to: First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust, PO Box 529, Mattoon, IL 61938, and Attention: Laura Walk, Wealth Management Division.

**Cargill Community Scholarship Program:**

Each year, Cargill offers three, one-time scholarship opportunities, of \$1,000 for U.S. high school students.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be a high school senior living communities near Cargill operations in the U.S.

Application: [www.cargill.com](http://www.cargill.com)

Application deadline: February 15, 2012 at 5pm

**Casey-Westfield Alumni Association Scholarship (Casey students ONLY):**

The Casey-Westfield Alumni Association awards a \$1,000 scholarship per year, as finances allow, to a senior enrolled at Casey-Westfield High School.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must (1) be a Casey Westfield High School senior, (2) show scholastic effort and (3) not have serious discipline infractions or attendance problems.

Application: Available from Casey Westfield guidance counselor

Application deadline: April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**Charlotte Davis Scholarship (Neoga students ONLY):**

Lena J. Davis, in her last will and testament, set aside a sum of money to be held in a perpetual trust by the Neoga School District. The recipient will receive this monetary award annually for a maximum period of four years, providing he/she satisfactorily continues in a State of Illinois College or University. The Scholarship is based on academic excellence and will be determined by the Regional Superintendent.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be a graduate or graduating from Neoga High School.

Application: Available at the Neoga Guidance Counselors Office or the Regional Office of Education

Application Deadline: Due to the Regional Office by May 1, 2012

**Coca-Cola Scholars:**

Since 1986, Coca Cola has been able to support over 1,400 college students per year, with scholarships totaling up to \$3.4 million.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be (1) a current high school (or home-schooled) seniors attending school in the United States, (2) U.S. citizens, (3) anticipating completion of high school diploma at the time of application, (4) planning to pursue a degree at an accredited U.S. post secondary institution, and (5) carrying a minimum 3.00 GPA at the end of their junior year of high school. Applicants may NOT be children or grandchildren of employees, officers or owners of Coca-Cola bottling companies.

Application: Accepted in August of the senior year in high school at

[www.coca-colascholars.org](http://www.coca-colascholars.org)

Application deadline: October 31, 2011.

**Coles County Farm Bureau Foundation Scholarship:**

The following scholarship is awarded to be split equally for Fall and Spring semesters by the Coles County Farm Bureau.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be: (1) a high school senior or a freshman, sophomore, or junior in a post secondary school, (2) be enrolled at a post-secondary school to study in an agricultural related field (3) be a member or a child of a member of the Coles County Farm Bureau (4) a resident of Illinois and (5) exhibit potential for successful completion of a degree.

Application: For additional criteria information and an application, please contact the Coles County Farm Bureau at 217-345-3276.

**Cumberland National Honor Society Scholarship:** (Cumberland, Marshall, Casey and Martinsville Students ONLY)

This scholarship is a one-time award of \$1,000 to be used to further the winner's education at any accredited college or university.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must (1) be graduating seniors in the Class of 2012 at one of the following high schools in our ROE – Cumberland, Marshall, Casey-Westfield or Martinsville (2) be a person of outstanding character, conduct and achievement (3) have at least a 3.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and (4) respond to an essay topic in 300 words or less.

Application: Available at Cumberland High School or the Regional Office of Education.

Application deadline: May 18, 2012 by 4:20 p.m. All applications MUST BE typed and returned to the following address: National Honor Society Scholarship, Attention: Mrs. Julia Sappington, Cumberland High School, 1496 IL Rte. 121, Toledo, IL 62468. Faxes will NOT be accepted.

**Daily (Elgin and Genevieve) Scholarship Fund:** (Coles or Moultrie county students ONLY)

This one-year grant is awarded through First Mid-Illinois Bank and Trust. Students are eligible to receive the scholarship for up to four years of their education. However, the application is for one year and it is necessary to re-apply each year that you will be attending school.

Eligibility Requirements include: applicants must (1) be enrolled in an agricultural field of study at either Lake Land College or the University of Illinois OR a music major at Millikin University in Decatur (2) a resident of either Coles or Moultrie county and (3) be a full time student (12 or more credit hours)

Application: Available at Mattoon High School or in the Wealth Management Division at First Mid-IL Bank & Trust.

Application deadline: The fully completed application must be submitted no later than April 15<sup>th</sup> to: First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust, PO Box 529, Mattoon, IL 61938, Attention: Laura Walk, Wealth Management Division.

### **Democracy in Action Award:**

The Democracy in Action Award (DIAA) is presented annually to Illinois high school juniors or seniors who have demonstrated exemplary citizenship and leadership in their community. The award is intended to recognize a young person whose actions reflect an understanding of and commitment to the principles of democracy and whose efforts have advanced civic involvement by young people.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must be (1) residents of Illinois, (2) be enrolled as juniors or seniors in a public or private Illinois high school during the year in which the award is offered (3) nominated by two faculty members and (4) reflect one or more of the achievements listed by the DIAA Scholarship committee.

Application/Nomination Form: [www.ulcc.org](http://www.ulcc.org) or the Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: 5:00 p.m. on January 13, 2012.

### **Diehl (Kenneth) Trust Fund Scholarship:** (Shelby County Students ONLY)

This scholarship will be awarded annually by Busey Trust Company. A student may receive this scholarship more than once and may reapply each year that he/she is in school. However, it should not be assumed to be renewable to a recipient already having received a previous scholarship or grant. It must be used to pay college tuition or other college expenses, such as books, fees, housing or clothing.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant shall be a graduate of a Shelby county high school, successfully completed two years of college, majoring in agriculture, and be a full time student at an accredited college or university. The award is based on grades, financial need and character.

Application: Available at Busey Trust Company or the Regional Office of Education.

Application deadline: April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Send completed applications to: Busey Trust Company, Trustee for the Kenneth Diehl Scholarship Fund, 200 West Main, PO Box 500, Shelbyville, IL 62565. For more information, contact Julie Price, Assistant Trust Officer at 217-774-5515.

### **Dole (Emily Oblinger) Scholarship Trust:**

This scholarship is awarded to graduates attending the University of Illinois. The applicant must be in good academic standing and show financial need. The value and number of scholarships awarded each year varies depending on the amount of funds available and the number of renewal applicants. Scholarships are renewable for up to four years.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must (1) re-apply every year, (2) maintain at least a "C" average, (3) enroll for a minimum of 12 semester hours (or be considered a full time student (4) submit a transcript of grades each semester.

Applications: Available March 1, 2012 at the First National Bank of Mattoon, Trust Department, 507 Lake Land Blvd, Mattoon IL 61938

Application deadline: April 15, 2012.

## **Eastern Illinois University Scholarships:** (Incoming Freshman)

Contact Christine Edwards at 217-581-7424 for applications or additional questions.

**Carpenters Local #347 Scholarship:** The recipient shall be a full-time incoming or currently attending freshman, sophomore, junior, senior or graduate student, accepted to Eastern Illinois University. The recipient shall be a child or stepchild of a member in good standing of Carpenters Local 347. The recipient shall be eligible to apply for, and receive, the award again provided she/he continues to meet the criteria stated above. The deadline to apply is April. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall.

**EIU4 Scholarship:** The EIU4 Scholarship rewards EIU freshmen who demonstrate good initial progress toward completing an undergraduate degree in four years. The scholarship fund consists of four \$1000 scholarships (\$500 per semester) available to freshmen who are eligible for the EIU4 Program at Eastern Illinois University. To be eligible for the EIU4 Scholarship, applicants must meet all three of the following requirements: Applicants must be admitted to EIU starting next fall. Applicants must be eligible for EIU4, Eastern's four-year graduation program. Regularly admitted, new full-time freshmen ready to declare an eligible major are eligible for EIU4. All majors at EIU--with the exception of ALL teacher certification programs, all Bachelor of Fine Arts programs, the engineering cooperative, the nursing cooperative program, clinical laboratory science, athletic training, and environmental biology--are eligible under EIU4. Note: Students who are unable to complete 1/4 of their course requirements in one academic year because of deficiencies in high school course work or ACT scores are not eligible for EIU4. Applicants must have a cumulative high school GPA of at least 3.00 out of 4.00. Scholarship recipients must remain eligible for the EIU4 for the duration of the scholarship period by adhering to the requirements of the program. The deadline to apply is May. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall and Spring semesters.

**I.Roberta Bell Minority Scholars Award:** The recipient must be a minority. The student shall have enhanced the dignity of minority culture through demonstrated academic achievement and excellence. The recipient shall consistently interact with the I. Roberta Bell minority mentor assigned to them as a recipient of this endowment throughout the entirety of their educational experience at Eastern. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Lori James Memorial Scholarship:** Established in 2003, the Lori James Memorial Scholarship seeks to award recipients who meet the following criteria: must be a full-time student accepted to Eastern Illinois University, must have an overall GPA of 3.0 (unless he/she can demonstrate that he/she is employed over 32 hours per week, then the recipient may have an overall GPA of 2.5), and having come from a single parent household. Preference will be given to incoming freshman. Applicants must submit a one-page written statement addressing financial need for the scholarship. The deadline to apply is November. The recipient of the award is selected in the Fall and paid in the Spring semester.

**Panther Promise Scholarship:** Freshmen and transfer students who anticipate attending Eastern Illinois University in the fall of 2012 will have an opportunity to apply for a new scholarship. The Panther Promise Scholarship will provide up to \$2,500 per year for eligible students. This scholarship is renewed for up to four years if the recipient(s) maintain satisfactory academic progress. To be eligible, recipient(s) must file a FAFSA form and be a first-time freshman or first-time transfer student at EIU in the Fall of 2012. Recipient(s) must also meet income requirements to be eligible. The Panther Promise is available to students from households with an annual income ranging from \$33,000 to \$67,000. Students or parents, who are interested in learning more about this scholarship, may contact the EIU Admissions office. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**President Doudna Memorial Scholarship:** Preference shall be given to students graduating from Illinois high schools. Recipients must have maintained a 3.0 out of 4.0 or better average in high school course work. The deadline to apply is September. The recipient of the award is selected in the Fall and paid in the Spring/Fall semesters.

**Ryland Hall Fund:** This endowment may be used for grants for scholarships to members of the Sigma Phi Epsilon Fraternity, may be used to recognize organizations of Eastern Illinois University and also be used for scholarships to high school graduates upon admission into Eastern Illinois University. The recipient of the award is selected in the Fall and paid in the Spring/Fall semesters.

**Charles C. Shaw Scholarship Fund:** The recipient shall be a graduating senior of good character and academic standing from Paxton High School or Mattoon High School who will be attending Eastern Illinois University. Should a student from Paxton High School not be available and meet the criteria, the scholarship should be awarded to a student of good academic standing and character from Mattoon High School. First priority shall be given to an athlete who will be attending Eastern Illinois University. Should an athlete not be available to receive the award, then the award shall be granted to a Physical Education major attending Eastern Illinois University. Should an athlete or Physical Education major not be available, then the award shall be granted to a Student studying in Science at Eastern Illinois University. The recipient of the award is selected in the spring and paid in the fall semester.

**Dwight & Bette (Leckrone) Baptist Scholarship:** The recipient shall be a full-time undergraduate student or a full-time/part-time graduate student, accepted to Eastern Illinois University. The undergraduate recipient shall major in accounting or in family & consumer sciences with an option in family services, dietetics, hospitality management in even-numbered fiscal years, or shall be an education major in odd-numbered fiscal years. The undergraduate recipient shall hold a high school diploma from the Cowden, Shelbyville, or Salem, IL high schools or a successor school system. The graduate recipient shall hold a full-time faculty appointment with the Cowden, Salem, or Shelbyville, IL schools or successor school system. The graduate recipients must be enrolled in a graduate program within the Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences (MBA or Family & Consumer Science majors) in even-numbered fiscal years or the College of Education and Professional Studies in odd-numbered fiscal years. Financial need is not a consideration. All award recipients shall have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0. The deadline to apply is April. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Kenneth E. Coffey Jr. Scholarship:** The recipient(s) must be a full-time student, accepted to EIU. The recipient(s) must be from Coles County, Edgar County, Clark County, or Cumberland County. The recipient(s) must be in good academic standing. Financial need is a consideration but not a requirement. The deadline to apply is April. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Legacy Scholarship:** The recipient shall be a child or grandchild of an Eastern Illinois University graduate. The recipient shall begin his/her first semester at Eastern Illinois University in the fall of the calendar year in which the award is given. The recipient shall have a minimum of a 4.0 GPA on a 5.0 scale. The recipient shall demonstrate enthusiastic and outstanding leadership as evidenced by his/her involvement in extracurricular activities. Applicants should send a letter, detailing how they meet the qualifications of this scholarship, including how she or he is related to an Eastern alumna/us and if that person is a member of the EIU Alumni Association. Two letters of recommendation along with high school and/or college transcripts need to be included as well. The deadline to apply is February. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Ruth and Ansel Schmalhausen Scholarship:** The recipient shall be a member of the First Christian Church of Charleston or Robinson, Illinois. The recipient must have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 (out of 4.0 scale) or better for all high school or university credits at the time of application. In the case of university credits, the student must have completed at least one semester of work with a minimum of twelve semester hours to be eligible for consideration. The recipient must be enrolled at Eastern Illinois University for twelve semester hours or more of credit on the tenth day of the term during which the scholarship becomes effective. Applicants are required to submit either a high school and/or university transcript and write a 600-word essay detailing their need and deservingness of this award. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester. For more information, contact the First Christian Church in Charleston, IL at 345-2823.

**Eastern Illinois University:** (Department of Admissions)

**Integrative Learning Scholarship:** With a commitment to developing students as global citizens, Eastern challenges students to apply the principles learned in the classroom to every aspect of their lives. Integrative learning encourages them to connect the dots from academic to professional and personal. One-time award available to incoming freshmen and community college transfers worth \$3,000. Minimum ACT 23 with a cumulative GPA of 3.2 or higher on a 4.0 scale for high school seniors. Evidence of engagement in service, research or activities that demonstrate an application of academic principles presented in the classroom. A descriptive essay in which the student reflects on what was learned from the service or research, and a letter from a faculty member, community organizer, etc., documenting the project is required. Community college transfer students with a transferable associates degree (or IAI completion) and a minimum 3.5 GPA are also eligible to apply. Along with the application, they must provide the descriptive, reflective essay and a letter from a faculty member or other sponsor. The deadline to apply is February. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Achieving, Celebrating and Excelling (ACE) Award:** The purpose of the award is to aid in the recruitment and retention of culturally diverse and under-represented students, who set and achieve high standards, celebrate their unique culture and abilities and excel in extracurricular activities. Those eligible for this award are high school students who have a minimum 22 ACT or 18 ACT and have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, transfer students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, and applicants must belong to an underrepresented group and be admitted to Eastern Illinois University. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Eastern Illinois University:** (Department of Financial Aid)

**College Access Foundation of California Scholarship:** The recipient(s) must be a full-time undergraduate student accepted to Eastern Illinois University. The recipient(s) of an initially granted scholarship should be an incoming freshman. Financial need is the primary consideration, giving opportunity for student(s) to attend college who may not otherwise be able to attend college. The recipient(s) shall receive a minimum of \$3000 or an amount not to exceed one-half of the cost of tuition and fees to attend Eastern Illinois University. Once the endowment corpus has earned sufficient funding, more than one student can receive this award. The recipient(s) may be eligible to receive the College Access Foundation of California Scholarship for all four years provided the student(s) meet the academic standards of the university. The deadline to apply is May. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Eastern Illinois University:** (Honors College)

**Entering Freshman Award:** For the 2012-2013 academic year, all entering freshman to the Honors College at Eastern Illinois University are automatically awarded an Entering Freshman Award in the amount of \$2,000 if they have a composite ACT score of greater than, or equal to, 26 and a high school cumulative GPA of 3.5, or greater, on a 4-point scale. This award is made to all qualified entering freshman in the Honors College and is a one-time award that may be used toward tuition or fees. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters. Contact the Honors College at 217-581-2017 for the deadline to apply.

**Honors College Talented Student Award:** These awards are intended to promote the development of unique student academic talents. Incoming freshman who have demonstrated excellent scholarship, as measured by high composite ACT scores (typically greater than 28), high school percentile rankings typically above the 90th percentile, and GPAs in excess of 3.50 (on a 4.00 scale) are eligible. Talented Student Award recipients are required to maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.40, or greater, and to remain in good standing with the school, in order to retain their eligibility for the award. Applications are accepted from the beginning of the fall semester (early August) until February 1 or the spring before an applicant's freshman year. The deadline to apply is February. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Presidential Scholars Award:** Recipients must have a 30 ACT score and either rank in the top 10% of his/her graduating class or have a 3.5 GPA on 4.0 scale; or have an ACT score of 28 and either rank in the top 5% of his/her graduating class or have a 3.75 GPA on a 4.0 scale. Students must apply for the scholarship, be full-time, and accepted to EIU. This scholarship is for tuition and fees for a maximum of 15 credit hours per semester, awarded to students billed as in-state residents; transfer students are not to be considered. Students must apply for ISAC and MAP through FAFSA. Financial need is not a consideration. The deadline to apply is February. The recipient of the award is selected in the spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Eastern Illinois University:** (School of Business)

**Brankey Scholarship:** Established in 1997 through the generosity of Edward Brankey, this award goes to an incoming freshman Business major who shows potential for academic success. The award is renewable for four years if the recipient maintains a 3.0 GPA or greater. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Clay/Richland Scholarship:** Established in 1988 by an anonymous donor, this award is presented annually to an undergraduate student from Clay/Richland counties entering EIU for the first time as a Pre-Business or Business major. The award is based on academic performance with the stipend paid upon verification of enrollment for fall. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Cooley-Marathon Scholarship Endowment Fund:** Established in 1986, this scholarship was created to award an incoming full-time freshman who is enrolled as a business major. The recipient shall demonstrate financial need as determined by the University Financial Aid office. A recipient, once designated, will be eligible to receive the award during the entire four years of college so long as he/she continues to be enrolled in a business field at Eastern Illinois University and maintains satisfactory academic standing. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Don & Mary (Hartke) Gher Scholarship:** The recipient must be a full-time student majoring in business, who are graduates of Mt. Carmel or Dieterich, Illinois High Schools. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Jack K. and Marge Hatfield Scholarship:** Established in 1997 by the Hatfields, this award is given to a graduate of Unity High School in Tolono, Illinois with a major in business. Preference is given to an incoming freshman; otherwise, the award will be given to a student from Unity High School who is currently attending Eastern. Preference is also given for applicants with financial need. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**John Luther Business Scholarship:** Established in 1992 by John Luther, this award is intended for a student entering Eastern Illinois University for the first time and declaring a major in Business. The recipient must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher, and must have demonstrated high achievement in previous educational environments. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Rudolph G. and Kathryn E. Hlavek Scholarship:** Established in 1999, this award is given to business students who come from low-income families or are otherwise underprivileged. Recipients may reapply. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Stephen L. Harris Business Scholarship:** The recipient(s) must be a full-time undergraduate student pursuing a declared major in Business, accepted to EIU. The recipient(s) must be selected from either incoming freshman or transfer students from the Effingham or Teutopolis High Schools. The recipient(s) must demonstrate financial need. The recipient(s) must have a 2.5 GPA or higher and/or be in the upper 25% of their class. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Timothy Gover and Clifford Fagan Scholarship:** Established in 1989 by Rudolph and Kathryn Hlavek, this award is given to business students who come from low-income families or are otherwise underprivileged. Recipients may reapply. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**United Graphics Scholarship:** Established by United Graphics in 1990, this award is given to a business student entering Eastern for the first time. Freshman applicants must be in the top 10% of their graduating class; transfer students must have a 3.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale. This scholarship is not renewable. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Eastern Illinois University:** (College of Arts & Humanities)

**Art Department Talented Student Awards:** Entering freshman, transfer students and continuing declared art majors are eligible to apply for the Talented Student Award. Recipient(s) must be enrolled full-time to receive the award. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Spring semester.

**Broadcast Journalism Scholarship:** The recipient must be a full-time student majoring in Broadcast Journalism with a minimum 2.0 GPA. Students are nominated by faculty members; or if the applicant is a high school senior, they may be recommended by a high school counselor advisor, or administrator. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Carol A. Manhart Scholarship:** The recipient must be a full time student majoring in Speech Communication, accepted to Eastern Illinois University. The recipient must be an incoming freshman, sophomore, junior or senior as defined by the catalog or a returning graduate student having already completed a degree in Speech Communication. The recipient must have a strong academic record. Preference must always be given to graduates of Stewardson-Strasburg High School. Financial need is a consideration. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Dorothy & Duwayne Hansen Music Alumni Scholarship:** The scholarship recipient shall be an admitted student in good academic standing, or be applying for admission at the time of selection. The recipient shall be a person who has shown outstanding performance and musical ability through a Department of Music audition. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Eric Schuster Scholarship:** The candidate must demonstrate financial need. The candidate must be an incoming student, either new or transfer, who declares a journalism major and intent to pursue a newspaper journalism career. The candidate must have demonstrated strong academic performance at his/her previous institution. The deadline to apply is September. The recipient of the award is selected in the Fall and paid in the Fall semester.

**Excellence in Fine Arts Fund:** The award recipient(s) shall be an outstanding Freshman, majoring in one of the academic departments in the College of Fine Arts. The recipient must show a high personal performance and a high academic standing. The recipient may be a full-time or part-time student, or an in-state or out-of-state student. The recipient is eligible to receive this award all 4 years at EIU, as long as criterion is maintained. The recipient(s) of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters. For more information, contact the Art Department at 217-581-3410, Music Department 217-581-3010, and/or Theatre Arts Department at 217-581-3110 for more information.

**Genelle Voigt Jackson English Scholarship:** The recipient must be an undergraduate full-time student, majoring, or intending to major in a degree program in the Department of English, and accepted to, and agreeing to attend, Eastern Illinois University. The recipient must have an overall GPA of 3.0 from his/her high school. The recipient must display a need for financial aid. Preference shall be given to students from West Salem, Illinois or communities close to West Salem, whenever possible. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Jeanne & Donald Tingley Memorial Scholarship:** The recipient(s) must be enrolled in good standing as a full-time student, majoring in History at EIU. Preference will be given to first generation incoming freshman and/or transfer students. Financial need is a consideration. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**John David Reed Journalism Scholarship:** The recipient must have declared a major in Journalism. The recipient must be a freshman or transfer student new to Eastern Illinois University. The recipient must have demonstrated intent to pursue a career in news-editorial journalism through significant participation in high school, college and/or other news media. The recipient must describe in an essay of about 500 words his/her interest in participating in student or other news media while at Eastern Illinois University in order to enhance his/her preparation for a career in news-editorial journalism. The recipient must demonstrate potential for academic achievement at Eastern Illinois University. Financial need may be a consideration as a deciding factor after other criteria are met. The deadline to apply is September. The recipient of the award is selected in the Fall and paid in the Fall semester.

**John N. Maharg Vocal Music Scholarship:** The scholarship recipient shall be an incoming freshman or transfer student. The recipient shall be majoring in Music or participating in a musical organization. The recipient shall show vocal/musical ability through a Department of Music audition. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Louise C Miller Music Scholarship:** The scholarship recipient shall have been ranked in the upper 1/2 of his/her High School graduating class. The recipient shall be enrolled or accepted for enrollment in any Music program at the undergraduate level at Eastern Illinois University. Financial need is a consideration. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Pierre Toussaint Journalism Scholarship Fund:** The candidate must be a high school senior with an interest in studying journalism at Eastern Illinois University. The recipient must demonstrate financial need. Preference will be given to a minority candidate. Award funds may be applied to educational expenses incurred at Eastern Illinois University not related to tuition. The deadline to apply is September. The recipient of the award is selected in the Fall and paid in the Spring semester.

**Robert A. Warner Music Scholarship:** The applicant shall be a high school senior or transfer student eligible for admission to Eastern Illinois University. The applicant shall have applied for admission to pursue a course of study in music at Eastern Illinois University. The applicant shall have demonstrated music talent on a string instrument. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Sigma Alpha Iota Music Scholarship:** Candidates must demonstrate outstanding performance and musical ability through a departmental audition. Candidates must be students of EIU (admitted or in the process of being admitted). The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Eastern Illinois University:** (College of Sciences)

**Cyril D Reed Mathematics Scholarship:** The scholarship recipient shall be either an undergraduate or a graduate student majoring in Mathematics. The recipient shall have a solid academic ability and achievement. Financial need is a consideration. The deadline to apply is February 1st. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Dr. Henry A. Tait Physics Scholarship:** At the time of application, the candidate(s) must have applied to EIU to become a full-time Freshman student majoring in Science with Teacher Certification, Physics Specialization. The recipient must be interested in teaching high school Physics. Although not a requirement, preference shall be given to graduates of Charleston High School. When the actual scholarship monies are to be awarded, the selected candidate must already be accepted and enrolled in good standing at EIU as a full-time Freshman student majoring in Science with Teacher Certification, Physics Specialization. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Dr. William Butler Physics Scholarship:** The recipient may be a high school senior or enrolled in good standing as a full time EIU freshman/sophomore, majoring in physics. (high school seniors must present recommendations from their physics and mathematics teachers and a written statement documenting the candidate's intent to major in physics) . The candidate should be an individual of high scholastic potential. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Harris E. Phipps Freshman Chemistry Scholarship:** The recipient must be a full-time freshman student, majoring in any program offered by the Chemistry Department. Incoming freshman planning to major in chemistry who have potential to excel in the major as measured by high school record, composite ACT score, written personal statement, and high school chemistry recommendation are encouraged to apply. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester. Contact the department chair for an application packet.

**Irvin L. Sparks Memorial Scholarship:** The scholarship recipient shall be a high school senior, EIU freshman, or sophomore majoring in Physics. The recipient must show high scholastic talent, be able to acquire recommendations if requested from his/her high school physics and mathematics teachers, and prepare a written statement concerning the scholarship. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Jessie Voigt Allhands Mathematics Scholarship:** The recipient must be an undergraduate full-time student, majoring, or intending to major in a degree program in the Department of Mathematics, and accepted to, and agreeing to attend, Eastern Illinois University. The recipient must display a need for financial aid. Preference shall be given to students from West Salem, Illinois, or communities close to West Salem, whenever possible. When the endowment is deemed to have reached adequate size, multiple awards may be given. The deadline to apply is **February 1st**. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Karraker Scholarship:** At the time of the initial award, the recipient will be a full time freshman student, majoring in Chemistry, accepted to Eastern Illinois University. The recipient will have demonstrated exceptional promise for distinction in the field of Chemistry. Incoming freshman planning to major in chemistry who have met this criterion as measured by high school record, composite ACT score, written personal statement, and high school teacher recommendation are encouraged to apply. The deadline to apply is April. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester. Contact the Chemistry department chair for an application packet.

**Lewis T. White Memorial Scholarship:** The recipient(s) shall be a full-time student accepted to Eastern Illinois University who demonstrates academic talent and graduated from Charleston High School in Charleston, IL. The recipient(s) must have a declared major in mathematics or science. Financial need is not a consideration. the recipient(s) may be eligible to apply for, and receive, the award again provided she/he continues to meet the above stated criteria. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Margaret Briggs Mathematics Scholarship:** The recipient shall be a high school graduate and a resident of the State of Illinois who has enrolled or is planning to enroll as an undergraduate student at Eastern Illinois University to major in the study of mathematics. The recipient shall be a person of outstanding character and conduct. The recipient shall be a student of outstanding scholastic achievement. The recipient shall be a student in need of financial assistance. An individual recipient shall receive the award for a maximum of four years, or eight semesters, provided he or she remains enrolled in the mathematics program and is a mathematics major as described by the college catalog. For more information, contact the Department of Mathematics. The deadline to apply is February 1st. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester. The next selection period will occur in the year 2013.

**Political Science Honors Scholarship:** At the time of selection, the recipient(s) must be a graduating high school senior who has been accepted to EIU. The recipient(s) must qualify for admission to the Honors College as follows: ACT composite score of 26 or higher or SAT of 1100 or higher, plus graduation in the upper 10% of his/her high school class or a 3.5 high school GPA. The recipient(s) must major in Political Science. As part of the application process, the applicant shall submit an essay stating educational plans and career aspirations. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Eastern Illinois University:** (School of Technology)

**Lillian R. Greathouse Scholarship:** The recipient must be an incoming freshman student, accepted and registered at Eastern Illinois University as a full time student, majoring in Career and Technical Education. The recipient must be in the top 20% of his/her high school graduating class. Special preference should be given to those majors with a business education emphasis. The recipient must submit an essay addressing the following: characteristics that a good teacher must have, why I want to be a teacher, and why I want to teach career and technical education specifically. The recipient shall be eligible to apply for, and receive, the award for each year for four years provided she/he continues to meet the criteria stated above. The recipient must maintain an overall GPA of 2.64 to continue receiving the award. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Eastern Illinois University:** (College of Education and Professional Studies)

**John Kelley Scholarship:** The recipient must be a full time student, majoring in Elementary Education, accepted to Eastern Illinois University. The recipient must have an overall GPA of at least 2.0. The recipient must be a freshman. Preference will be given to the recipient who intends to teach Art in an elementary school. If no recipient who intends to teach Art is available, then the award may be made to a recipient who will teach in elementary school. The recipient must display a need for financial aid. The recipient may receive the award only once. The deadline to apply is February. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Ray & Evelyn Duncan Teaching Scholarship:** The recipient must be a resident of Crawford County and a graduate of a high school of Crawford County, with a cumulative GPA of 2.65 on a 4.0 scale. The recipient must be enrolled, or accepted to be enrolled, full-time at Eastern Illinois University in a course of study to become a teacher. The recipient must demonstrate financial need. Each applicant must present to the Ray C. and Evelyn Duncan Teaching Scholarship Committee: A signed statement declaring his or her intention to become a school teacher. A minimum of three letters of recommendation which evaluate the students potential as a teacher. Preference shall be given to incoming freshmen for new awards, with consideration given to additional upper-class candidates if earnings of said Fund permit. Recipients of the Ray C. and Evelyn B Duncan Teaching Scholarship shall be eligible to continue receiving the scholarship for a maximum of four years, providing they maintain a GPA of 2.65 and continue to pursue a program designed to prepare students for a teaching career. The deadline to apply is April. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Eastern Illinois University:** (Clark County students ONLY)

**Walter and Lola Stephenson Cole Scholarship:** This scholarship is available to any student who graduated from Marshall High School. The recipient should show promise of academic achievement and must demonstrate financial need. The deadline to apply is April. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters. Call 581-3313 or visit the Neal Welcome Center at 860 W. Lincoln Avenue in Charleston for more information.

**Eastern Illinois University:** (Coles County students ONLY)

**Burgner Memorial Scholarship:** The recipient of the Burgner Memorial Scholarship shall be graduates of either Mattoon or Charleston High School, majoring in Biological Sciences, desiring to study botanical sciences, animal systems, or environmental science. The recipient shall be of excellent character and evidence a tendency to pursue their education in a studious manner. Financial need of the recipient should not be a factor in selection. The deadline to apply is February. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Charleston High School Class of 1958 Scholarship:** The recipient(s) must be a full-time, freshman student, accepted to Eastern Illinois University. The recipient(s) must be a graduate of Charleston High School, Charleston, IL. The recipient(s) must be a student in academic good standing, with preference given to those in the top 25% of the graduating class. In the selection of a recipient for the scholarship, students showing financial need will be given priority of importance. This award will be for the freshman year only. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Charleston Business and Professional Women Scholarship:** The Charleston Business and Professional Women Local Organization accepts applications for a college scholarship to Eastern Illinois University during the Spring semester. This scholarship is for a resident of the Charleston area. The Charleston BPW has awarded an annual scholarship since 1996. Applications must be returned, along with a high school and college (if attended) transcripts that demonstrate at least a B average, a letter of acceptance from EIU, and two letters of recommendation. Financial need will be considered. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters. To request an application, call 581-3313, or visit the Neal Welcome Center at 860 W. Lincoln Avenue.

**Coach Baker Memorial Award:** The recipient must be a full-time student accepted to Eastern Illinois University. The recipient must be pending graduation or have graduated from Charleston High School, Charleston, Illinois. The worthy recipient shall be able to demonstrate character assets to those that Coach Baker possessed. Financial need is a consideration and may be used by the selection committee as the determining factor should all other criteria be equal. The recipient need not be an "A" student, but shall show potential for success through the guiding principle that "hard work will bring future reward." The recipient must be in good academic standing at the time the award is issued. The recipient of the award is selected in the spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Ivan W. & Mabel Blum Weaver Scholarship:** One recipient must be a graduating Senior of Charleston High School and one recipient must be a non-traditional adult student accepted to the Board of Trustees, Program at Eastern Illinois University. Each recipient must have demonstrated financial need. Each award shall be \$500 per semester for a maximum of eight semesters or until the recipient(s) graduates whichever is less. The recipient must maintain a 3.5 grade average and be in good standing with the university. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Judd William Kline Memorial:** The recipient must be a graduating senior from Charleston High School. The recipient must have the highest grade point of considered applicants. Financial need is a consideration. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Lulu Craig Collier Scholarship:** The recipient of this scholarship shall be a high school graduating senior from Coles County, Illinois and be in the upper 25% of his/her graduating class. The recipient must have a written statement indicating that she/he will be attending EIU the earliest semester possible. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall/Spring semesters.

**Obed & Jo Ann Henderson Music Scholarship:** The recipient must be a graduating senior from Mattoon High School who plans to attend EIU as a full-time student, majoring in instrumental music. The recipient must be an outstanding musician who will be studying for a degree in Music Education or Performance. If there is no suitable recipient from Mattoon High School, then other candidates who meet the remaining criteria may be considered. Preference will be given to Jazz students. The deadline to apply is March. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**S.L. Nanda Mathematics & Science Scholarship:** The recipient(s) must have been accepted to & plan to attend EIU as a full-time student with a declared major in (College of Sciences) Biological Sciences, Physics, Math, Chemistry, Geology, and Math & Computer Science, and any of the fore-mentioned majors with teacher certification. The award recipient(s) bears responsibility for completing a scholarship application developed by the selection committee. Eligible candidates will be graduating from CHS in either the Fall or Spring of the respective academic year and must have completed a minimum of 16 credit hours of recognized science/math course work upon graduation at CHS. Recognized CHS courses include all those listed under Math or Science in the Course Descriptions for CHS. Additionally, Computer Concepts and Applications I & II will be recognized. Course work completed from these eligible classes will then be used to calculate the candidates Math/Science GPA. The awardees must be the eligible candidates with the highest point total based on the following equation:  $(\text{Math \& Science GPA} \times 2) + (\text{Cumulative GPA})$  at the time of application. Financial need is not a requirement. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**TC High/Eastern State High School Alumni Scholarship:** The recipient shall have a minimum 4.0 GPA on a 5.0 point scale upon completion of 3 1/2 years of high school. The recipient shall demonstrate integrity as evidenced by submitting three letters of recommendation from community leaders. The recipient shall demonstrate enthusiastic and outstanding leadership, as evidenced by his/her involvement in organizations whose purpose is to foster consideration and service. The recipient shall be a relative of Teachers College/Eastern State High School alumnus or a graduate of Charleston High School. The deadline to apply is February. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Verne B. & Edna M. Kniskern Scholarship in Life Sciences:** The recipient(s) must be a full-time student, majoring in Life Sciences (biological sciences), accepted to EIU. Merit shall be a primary consideration. Preference shall be given to graduates of Charleston Community High School CUSD#1. Financial need is not a consideration. The deadline to apply is February. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**William J & Mathiel B Crane Scholarship:** The recipient must be accepted for admission to, and attend Eastern Illinois University. The recipient must display a need for financial aid. The recipient must be a Charleston High School graduate. The recipient must be an entering freshman and receive the award for four consecutive years. Loss of consecutive year status forfeits the scholarship. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Eastern Illinois University:** (Cumberland County Students ONLY)

**Gladys and Keith Walden Scholarship:** The Gladys and Keith Walden Scholarship shall be used for student scholarship(s) at Eastern Illinois University. The student(s) must have applied and been accepted to Eastern Illinois University. Each Scholarship shall be awarded to a graduating senior from Cumberland Unit #77 High School. The scholarship shall be presented annually at the Cumberland Unit #77 High School Awards Night. Financial need is a consideration. Preference shall be given to the student(s) demonstrating the greatest financial need. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Eastern Illinois University:** (Edgar County Students ONLY)

**Edgar County Livingston C. Lord Scholarship:** The scholarship recipient shall be a High School Graduate of any of the high schools in Edgar County, Illinois. The recipient shall be in good academic standing as seen by Eastern Illinois University. Financial need is a consideration. For more information, call 581-3313 or visit the Neal Welcome Center at 860 W. Lincoln Ave in Charleston. The deadline to apply is April. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Eastern Illinois University:** (Moultrie County Students ONLY)

**Sandra Boll Stone and Paul K. Stone Scholarship:** The recipient(s) shall be an admitted student in good academic standing, or applying for admission to Eastern Illinois University at the time of selection, but also in good academic standing as a graduating high school senior. The recipient(s) must be a full-time student accepted to Eastern Illinois University. The recipient(s) shall be a graduate of Sullivan High School, Sullivan, IL. Financial need is one consideration. Preference shall be given to a student pursuing a degree within the College of Education and Professional Studies. The recipient of the award is selected in the Spring and paid in the Fall semester.

**Edgar County Bank & Trust Foundation:** (Edgar County Students ONLY)

The Edgar County Bank & Trust Foundation offers a variety of scholarships to Edgar county students. Contact Amanda Henry in the Trust department of the Edgar County Bank or your high school guidance counselor for more information in February/March 2012.

**Embarras River Basin Agency (ERBA) Community Services Block Grant (CSBG):**

The Embarras River Basin Agency (ERBA) offers a scholarship for income eligible students.

**Eligibility Requirements:** Applicants must (1) meet CSBG income guidelines (2) attend an Illinois college or university during the fall semester (3) submit a letter of acceptance and fall schedule (4) have at least a "C" average (5) submit grades with application for proof of GPA (6) provide documentation of income as required (7) provide parent's federal income tax return and (8) provide copies of all household Social Security cards.

**Application:** Available in April/May 2012 at your local county ERBA Outreach Office or the Regional Office of Education.

**Application deadline:** June 2012.

### **Entrepreneur Scholarship:**

Camp e3 is a summer camp for future entrepreneurs and is offered at Eastern Illinois University. Individuals that are 14-18 years old and are interested in becoming an entrepreneur are encouraged to participate. First Neighbor Bank offers 7 scholarships to this camp for individuals that are in school within their immediate service area. One scholarship will be given to each of the following schools: Cumberland, Neoga, Casey-Westfield, Martinsville, Charleston, Shiloh and Marshall. For more information, contact Carol Fritts at [cfritts@firstneighbor.com](mailto:cfritts@firstneighbor.com) or 217-849-2701.

### **First Neighbor Bank Scholarship:**

The First Neighbor Bank offers a \$500 scholarship to graduating high school seniors who aspire to continue their education at the college level.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be (1) a senior at Cumberland, Neoga, Casey, Charleston or Shiloh high school, (2) have good academic standing, (3) have school involvement (work experience may be considered) and (4) have a good citizenship/behavior.

Application: Available February 1, 2012 online at

[www.firstneighbor.com/scholarship/scholarships.htm](http://www.firstneighbor.com/scholarship/scholarships.htm) or by contacting your local First Neighbor Bank.

Application deadline: May 2, 2012

### **Fraternal Order of Mattoon Eagles:**

This scholarship is awarded to graduates in good standing from various high schools.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must: (1) be a son/daughter of a Fraternal Order of Eagles in good standing of three or more years, (2) be attending an Illinois tax supported University or college and (3) demonstrate financial need.

Application: Available March 1, 2012 at the First National Bank of Mattoon, Trust Department, 507 Lake Land Blvd, Mattoon IL 61938

Application deadline: April 15, 2012.

### **Gateways to Opportunity Scholarship Program:**

The Gateways to Opportunity Scholarship Program is an individual-based scholarship opportunity. The award will pay up to 90% of tuition and books and can be used at an Illinois public community college while working towards an Associate's Degree.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be a graduating high school senior who has earned the Level 1 ECE Credential.

Application: Available at the Regional Office of Education or by contacting Jill Enchelmayer at [jenchelmayer@inccrra.org](mailto:jenchelmayer@inccrra.org)

Application deadline: INCCRRA accepts applications at any time during the year.

**Gover (J. Logan) Family Scholarship Fund:** (Coles County Students ONLY)

This one-year grant is awarded through First Mid-Illinois Bank and Trust. Students are eligible to receive the scholarship for up to four years of their education. However, the application is for one year and it is necessary to re-apply each year that you will be attending school.

Eligibility Requirements include: applicants must have attended a high school located in Coles County and graduated or have obtained a GED and may be part-time but must indicate hours. Preferences are given to: (1) those currently in the work force, (2) those in the nursing field (i.e. CNA, LPN, or RN) (3) those engaged in agriculture (4) those limited to vocational training/education and (5) students not seeking a 4-year degree.

Application: Available at Mattoon High School or in the Wealth Management Division at First Mid-IL Bank & Trust.

Application deadline: The fully completed application must be submitted no later than April 15<sup>th</sup> to: First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust, PO Box 529, Mattoon, IL 61938, Attention: Laura Walk, Wealth Management Division.

**Hearst Foundation Scholarship:**

This scholarship program is in two parts, the U.S. Senate Youth Program (USSYP) in Washington D.C. and the Hearst Scholarship. Two students will be selected from Illinois to participate in the 50<sup>th</sup> Annual USSYP which is an all expense paid week in Washington D.C.. After participation, the delegates will receive a \$5,000 scholarship.

Eligibility Requirements: An applicant must (1) be a junior or senior in high school, (2) currently be serving in an elected or selected capacity in student government or a related organization, (3) be planning on taking government courses in college (4) be a permanent resident of the United States, (5) be currently enrolled in a public or private secondary school in Illinois and (6) have at least one parent or guardian who is a legal resident of Illinois.

Application: [www.isbe.net/sos/htmls/hearst.htm](http://www.isbe.net/sos/htmls/hearst.htm) or the Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: October 5, 2011 at 5:00 p.m.

**Horace Mann Scholarship:**

The Horace Mann Educators Corporation offers \$30,000 to K-12 educators and librarians who wish to take college courses. One recipient will receive \$5,000 payable over 4 years, 15 other recipients will each receive \$1,000 payable over two years, and 20 additional recipients will each receive \$500. Scholarship money will be paid directly to each recipient's college or university for tuition, fees, and other educational expenses.

Eligibility Requirements: open to residents from all states, except: Hawaii, New Jersey and New York.

Application: [www.horacemann.com](http://www.horacemann.com)

**Hutton (Ann Hawkes) Memorial Scholarship:**

The Washington Crossing Foundation offers a variety of national and regional college scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$5,000 for students planning a career in government service. Students who do not apply for specific scholarships are automatically considered in each category for which they qualify. Awards for those entering Armed Forces Colleges are eligible for one-year special awards.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be a high school senior, U.S. citizen, and planning a career of service to the United States in local, state, or federal government.

Application: [www.qwcf.org](http://www.qwcf.org)

Application deadline: January 15, 2012.

### **Illinois Association of Aggregate Producers Education Foundation Scholarship:**

The IAAP Education Foundation Scholarship program helps promote the education of worthy students seeking a career in the aggregates industry. The foundation will award up to four (4) \$2,000 scholarships. The awards are one-year grants that students may re-apply in subsequent years.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must (1) be a high school graduate or will graduate the year applying (2) have at least a "B" average (3) be majoring in a curriculum which will be compatible with a career in the aggregates industry such as (but not limited to) Civil Engineering, Engineering Science, Environmental Engineering, Environmental Science, Geology, Geological Engineering, Mineral Science or Mining Engineering and (4) be pursuing undergraduate work only on a full time basis.

Application: [www.iaap-aggregates.org](http://www.iaap-aggregates.org) or the Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: February 15, 2012. Submit applications to: IAAP Education Foundation, 1115 South Second Street, Springfield, IL 62704.

### **Illinois Association of Vocational Education Special Needs Personnel (ILAVESNP)**

#### **Scholarship:**

The ILAVESNP is offering \$500 scholarships to students pursuing post secondary education for a career in a vocational/technical area.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be identified as Special Needs/Special Populations by the definition of Carl D. Perkins Act and verify enrollment in a post-secondary school. For additional requirements please review the application.

Application: <http://ilavesnp.net/resources.html> or the Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: April 1, 2012.

### **Illinois Department of Transportation (Civil Engineer Scholarship):**

The Illinois Department of Transportation may award up to 20 scholarships each year that will provide up to \$7,000 tuition assistance in select Illinois pre-engineering and civil engineering programs.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must (1) be an Illinois resident not currently employed by IDOT, (2) a high school graduate or the equivalent, (3) admitted or enrolled full time in select Illinois pre-engineering and civil engineering programs, and (4) possess a grade point average of at least a 2.5 on a 4.0 scale (or a 3.125 on a 5.0 scale).

Application: [www.dot.il.gov/scholarships](http://www.dot.il.gov/scholarships)

Application deadline: Please check the website for application deadline.

### **Illinois Division of Sons of Confederate Veterans/Illinois Society, Military Order of Stars and Bars (SCV/MOS&B):**

The SCV/MOS&B is offering a \$1,000 scholarship to a graduating senior in Illinois.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must: (1) be a descendant of a male who served honorably in the army, navy, judicial, executive, or civil service of the confederate states of America (lineal or collateral family lines must be documented genealogically with a descendency chart), submit a 500 word essay with the topic dealing with an event, person, philosophy, or ideal associated with such cause during the war between the states, submit transcript of grades and biography as background.

Application: Available at the Regional Office of Education

Application Deadline: March 15, 2012

### **Illinois Education Association (INEA-NEA) Education Scholarship**

The IEA-NEA has established a scholarship program that is open to all children/legal wards of IEA-NEA members.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must (1) be a bachelors or masters level student who is pursuing a degree in education (2) have a parent/guardian that is an IEA-NEA member and (3) be committed to working in an Illinois public school for one year.

Application: [www.ieanea.org](http://www.ieanea.org) or the Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: December 2, 2011

### **Illinois Electric Cooperatives Memorial Scholarship Program**

Four \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded each year. Three scholarships will be awarded to students who are the sons or daughters of an Illinois Electric Cooperative member receiving service from the cooperative at the time the scholarship application is submitted. One scholarship will be awarded to a student who is the son or daughter of an Illinois Electric Cooperative employee or director. A scholarship applicant is eligible for consideration in only one of the two categories.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be (1) a high school senior (2) attending a two-year or four-year accredited college or university in Illinois (including vocational/technical schools) and (3) be a full time student.

Application: Contact the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives, PO Box 3787, Springfield, IL 62708

Application deadline: January 1, 2012

### **Illinois Elks: Children's Care Corporation:**

The Illinois Elks Children's Care Corporation offers a scholarship for those going into the Physical or Occupational Therapy field or special education field of study. Check the website listed below in December 2011 for the availability of eligibility requirements and application information: [www.iea-ieccc.info](http://www.iea-ieccc.info). You may also email [scholarships@illinois-elks.org](mailto:scholarships@illinois-elks.org) to be placed on a notification list.

### **Illinois Hospital Research and Educational Foundation (IHREF):**

Illinois Hospital Research and Educational Foundation scholarship is a \$1,000 award to be applied to tuition, fees, or books and are based on the student's scholastic achievement, financial need and the availability of funds.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must (1) be currently enrolled or accepted into a certificate or degree conferring hospital related health care sequence, (2) be an Illinois resident, (3) attend an accredited institution, and (4) have a 3.5/4.00 or 4.5/5.00 GPA.

Application: Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: April 15, 2012.

### **Illinois Hotel & Lodging Association Hospitality Scholarship:**

This scholarship is offered to assist Illinois residents who have demonstrated a desire to make the hotel and hospitality industry a career. Awards range from \$1,000 up to \$5,000 per academic year.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be (1) enrolled full time in an accredited college or university hotel and/or hospitality management program OR a high school senior or graduate who plans to enroll in an accredited college or university hotel and/or hospitality management program (2) a permanent resident in Illinois for at least six (6) months and (3) maintained a GPA of at least 2.5/4.0 or 3.5/5.0.

For more information, visit: [www.collegezone.com](http://www.collegezone.com)

**Illinois Lumber and Material Dealers Association Educational Foundation:**

The Illinois Lumber and Material Dealers Association Educational Foundation is a not-for-profit organization established to aid and promote lumber industry education throughout Illinois. The number of scholarships and the dollar amount for each will be determined by the Foundation, but each scholarship will NOT be less than \$500 and NOT more than \$2,000.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be enrolled full time in a certificate or degree program in an accredited trade school, 2-year junior college, or 4-year college or university and be a resident of Illinois. Children of the Foundation selection committee are not eligible.

Application: [www.ilmada.com](http://www.ilmada.com) or the Regional Office of Education.

Application deadline: April 1, 2012.

**Illinois Odd Fellow-Rebekah Scholarship Award:**

The Illinois Odd Fellow-Rebekah Lodge offers three grants of \$1,500 and 10-15 \$1,000 grants to qualified, needy students.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must be a resident of Illinois and a citizen of the United States. If the applicant is a naturalized citizen, proof of citizenship must accompany application.

Application: [www.ioof-il.org](http://www.ioof-il.org) or Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: March 1<sup>st</sup> and send to the Grand Lodge Office.

**Illinois Pilots Association (IPA) Memorial Scholarship:**

The IPA is offering a scholarship to a college student majoring in an aviation-oriented curriculum. The award is for one year in the sum of \$1,000. The recipient may re-apply for the following year.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must (1) be a resident of Illinois, (2) be majoring in an aviation-oriented curriculum, and (3) be a full time student at an Illinois College or University.

Application: [www.illinoispilots.com/scholarship.shtml](http://www.illinoispilots.com/scholarship.shtml) or the Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: March 1, 2012

**Illinois PTA (Lillian E. Glover) Scholarship:**

Illinois PTA is offering two scholarships to graduating seniors planning to major in education. They are one-year, non-renewable awards, given to two students who are enrolling in a college or university in the FIELD OF EDUCATION or EDUCATION-RELATED DEGREE PROGRAM. First place will be awarded \$1,500 and second place \$1,000.

Eligibility requirements: The applicant must (1) must be a high school senior graduating from an Illinois public high school, (2) be in the upper 33% of class, (3) enrolling in a college or university in an education or education related degree program which may include: librarians, instructional media specialists, school nurses, school psychologists or social workers (all of which require certification from a State Board of Education).

Application: Available from you high school counselor or the Regional Office of Education.

Application deadline: February 17, 2012. Sent to: Barb Miller, Illinois PTA-Scholarship Director, 1184 N 1800 East Road, Taylorville, IL 62568.

**Illinois Retired Teachers Association Foundation Scholarship:**

The Illinois Retired Teachers Association Foundation is awarding \$1,500 (\$750 for fall and \$750 for spring) to one full time student from each IRTA Foundation area to be used for educational expense.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be accepted into a Teacher Certification Program, reside and/or attend school in any state as long as the school attended maintains an accredited Teacher training program, must have and maintain at least a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale and furnish a copy of the university or college official transcript prior to receiving funds.

Application: [www.irtaonline.org](http://www.irtaonline.org) or the Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: March 7, 2012.

### **Illinois Sheriffs Association Scholarship:**

Each year the Illinois Sheriffs Association awards \$500 scholarships to each county. The number of awards varies based on membership and donations from each county.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be a permanent resident of Illinois and attend an Illinois college full time.

Application: [www.ilsheriff.org](http://www.ilsheriff.org)

### **Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC)**

The Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) provides financial assistance for college education through the many grant, scholarship, loan repayment/forgiveness and prepaid tuition programs it administers.

**Monetary Award Program (MAP):** A grant that provides payment toward tuition and mandatory fees. Eligibility is based on financial need, and the maximum award depends on legislative action and available funding each year. The applicant must be enrolled in at least 3 credit hours at the undergraduate level, at an Illinois public or private 2-4 year college, university, or hospital school. Apply using the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) as soon after as **January 1<sup>st</sup>** before the academic year as possible. Funding is limited – apply early.

**Silas Purnell Illinois Incentive for Access (IIA) Grant:** A one-time grant of up to \$500 for freshman who have no or extremely limited family resources. The applicant must be at least half time at the freshman level in an Illinois public or private 2-4 year college or university or hospital school. Apply using the FAFSA.

**Illinois National Guard (ING) Grant:** A grant that pays tuition and certain fees for enlisted members and officers of the Illinois National Guard who have completed one full year of service. Additionally they must be either a) currently active, or b) within 12 months following discharge and were active for at least 5 consecutive years and called to federal active duty service for at least 6 months. There are no minimum enrollment requirements. Apply using the online Illinois National Guard Grant Application by **October 1<sup>st</sup>** of the academic year for the full year, **March 1<sup>st</sup>** for second/third term and summer, and **June 15<sup>th</sup>** for summer term only.

**Illinois Veteran Grant (IVG):** A grant that pays tuition and mandatory fees for Illinois Veterans (including members of the Illinois National Guard and members of a Reserve component of the Armed Forces) with at least one year of federal active duty service in the U.S. Armed Forces. Other qualified applicants include those who served federal active duty in a foreign country during a time of hostilities or were medically discharged, regardless of length of service. All periods of service must be or must have been honorable. To be eligible, veterans must have been Illinois residents at the time of entering the service or within 6 months before entering the service who returned or plan to return to Illinois to reside within 6 months after leaving the service. Apply using the Illinois Veterans Grant Program application.

## **Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) Cont:**

**Grant Program for Dependents of Police/Fire/Correctional Officers:** A grant that provides payment toward tuition and mandatory fees for the spouse and children of Illinois Police/Fire/Correctional Officers who were killed or at least 90% disabled in the line of duty. The applicant must be at least half time at the undergraduate or graduate level at an Illinois public, private 2-4 year college or university, or hospital school. Apply using the Grant Program for Dependents of Police/Fire/Correctional Officers Application by **October 1<sup>st</sup>** of the academic year for the full year, **March 1<sup>st</sup>** for second/third term and summer, and **June 15<sup>th</sup>** for summer term only.

**Bonus Incentive Grant (BIG):** A grant for beneficiaries of Illinois College Savings Bonds, if at least 70% of the bond proceeds is used for educational costs. Grant amounts range from \$40 to \$440 (per \$5,000 of the bond), depending on the maturity of the bond. The applicant must be at least half time at the undergraduate or graduate level at an Illinois public, private 2-4 year college or university, or hospital school. Apply using the College Savings Bond Bonus Incentive Grant Application as soon as possible after **August 1<sup>st</sup>** of the academic year for which assistance is being requested. Funding is limited.

**Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship:** A federal scholarship of up to \$2,500 for academically exceptional students who become high school graduates in the same year eligibility is determined. Eligibility is determined by a formula based on standardized test scores and high school performance. The applicant must be a full time at the undergraduate level for a maximum of 4 academic years in an Illinois public, private 2-4 year college or university, or hospital school. Illinois high schools automatically certify qualified students.

**Illinois Special Education Teacher Tuition Waiver (SETTW):** A tuition waiver program for individuals pursuing initial certification in any area of special education as public, private, or parochial preschool, elementary, or secondary nonprofit school teachers in Illinois. The waiver exempts recipients from paying tuition and mandatory fees if they commit to begin teaching in the field of special education within 1 year of leaving college, and continue to teach at least 2 of the 5 years immediately following. If the teaching commitment is not fulfilled, recipients must repay a prorated amount, plus interest. Students scheduled to graduate from high school must have performed in the upper half of their high school graduating class; additionally, ACT and SAT scores are used in determining eligibility. Apply using the Illinois Special Education Teacher Tuition Waiver Application by **March 1<sup>st</sup>** before the academic year for which assistance is requested.

## **Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) Cont:**

**Minority Teachers of Illinois (MTI) Scholarship:** A scholarship of up to \$5,000 per year for tuition, fees and room and board charges for students of African American/Black, Hispanic American, Native American, or Asian American origin who plan to become teachers. Recipients must sign a teaching commitment to teach (at a nonprofit Illinois public, private or parochial preschool, elementary, or secondary school with at least 30% minority enrollment) 1 year for each year assistance is received. If the teaching commitment is not fulfilled, recipients must repay a prorated amount, plus interest. Enrollment requirements include: must be at least half time at the undergraduate or graduate level and attending an Illinois public, private 2-4 year college or university, or hospital school. Apply using the online Teacher Education Scholarship Programs Application by **March 1<sup>st</sup>** before the academic year for which assistance is required.

**Illinois Future Teacher Corps (IFTC):** A scholarship for academically talented students who plan to pursue careers as preschool, elementary and secondary school teachers in Illinois public, private or parochial nonprofit schools. Students with financial need, minority students and those planning to teach in a teacher shortage discipline and/pr in a hard-to-staff school will receive awarding priority. Based on the teaching commitment made, awards may be up to \$5,000 or \$10,000 per year for payment of tuition, fees, room and board. If the teaching commitment is not fulfilled, recipients must repay a prorated amount, plus interest. Applicants must be at least half time as juniors or above in a course of study leading to initial teacher certification or in additional courses needed to gain approval to teach. Apply using the online Teacher Education Scholarship Programs Application by March 1<sup>st</sup> before the academic year for which assistance is requested.

**Merit Recognition Scholarship (MRS):** A one-time \$1,000 scholarship for students who had performed in the top 5 percent of their Illinois high school class at the end of the third semester prior to graduation, or who scored in the top 5 % of Illinois students taking one of the college entrance tests during the same time frame. The award must be used within one year of high school graduation. The applicant must enroll at least half time at the undergraduate level at an Illinois public, private 2-4 year college or university, or hospital school. Illinois high schools automatically certify qualified students.

**Illinois Teachers Loan Repayment Program:** A program that provides matching awards of up to \$5,000 to teachers who qualify for the federal government's Stafford Loan Forgiveness Program for Teachers (see below). Recipients must teach in an Illinois elementary or secondary low income school for five years.

**Nurse Educator Loan Repayment Program:** A student loan repayment program that awards up to \$5,000 per year for a maximum of 4 years to Illinois nurse educators. Recipients must be licensed by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation and must have instructed practical or professional nurses at an approved Illinois institution for at least the past 12 consecutive months.

## **Illinois Student Assistance Commission (ISAC) Cont:**

**Veterans' Home Nurse Loan Repayment Program:** A student loan repayment program that awards up to \$5,000 per year for a maximum of four years to registered professional nurses and licensed practical nurses licensed by the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation who have been employed in one of Illinois' four approved veterans' homes for a specified period of time.

**Stafford Loan Forgiveness Program for Teachers:** A federal program that provides forgiveness of up to \$5,000 for Federal Stafford (FFELP or Direct) loan borrowers who teach for five consecutive years on a full-time basis in an elementary or secondary school designated as low income. Borrowers who teach for the required time in certain specialties are eligible to receive up to \$17,500.

**John R. Justice Program:** A U.S. Department of Justice student loan repayment program that provides up to \$10,000 per calendar year for a maximum of \$60,000 to state and federal public defenders and state prosecutors who agree to remain employed as public defenders and prosecutors for at least three years. If the employment commitment is not fulfilled, the loan must be repaid.

**College Illinois! 529 Prepaid Tuition Program:** A 529 prepaid tuition program that allows families to purchase contracts which lock in future college tuition and fee costs, providing protection from tuition inflation. The contract may be purchased in term increments with installment payment options, or may be payable in one lump sum. Either the purchaser or beneficiary must be an Illinois resident. There are not enrollment requirements and can be used at most Illinois and out-of-state public and private 2- and 4-year colleges and universities. Apply online at [www.collegeillinois.com](http://www.collegeillinois.com)

### **Johnson (Myrna) Scholarship Fund:** (Mattoon Students ONLY)

This one-year grant is awarded through First Mid-Illinois Bank and Trust. Students are eligible to receive the scholarship for up to four years of their education. However, the application is for one year and it is necessary to re-apply each year that you will be attending school.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must: (1) be a graduate of Mattoon High School, (2) enrolled in a nursing field of study and (3) be a full time student (12 or more credit hours).

Application: Available at Mattoon High School or in the Wealth Management Division at First Mid-IL Bank & Trust.

Application deadline: April 15<sup>th</sup> and send to: First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust, PO Box 529, Mattoon, IL 61938, and Attention: Laura Walk, Wealth Management Division.

### **KFC Colonel's Scholars Program:**

Awards up to \$5,000 a year are given by the KFC Colonel's Scholars Program to provide funding for tuition, fees, books and room and board.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must (1) graduate from high school between 12/1/11 and 8/31/12, (2) earn a minimum cumulative high school GPA of 2.75, (3) plan to pursue a bachelors degree at a public, in-state college or university, (4) be a US citizen or permanent resident and (5) demonstrate financial need. Scholars may begin their college career by entering into either a 2- or 40year accredited in-state College/university, as long as they stay on track to complete a bachelors degree program.

Application: will be available December 1, 2011 at [www.kfcscholars.org](http://www.kfcscholars.org)

Application deadline: February 8, 2012.

### **Kohl's Cares Scholarship Program:**

Kohl's Cares recognizes and rewards young volunteers who make their communities a better place to live. Store winners will receive a \$50 Kohl's Gift card, Regional Winners will be awarded a \$1,000 scholarship for post-secondary education, and National winners will be awarded a total of \$10,000 in scholarships and Kohl's will donate \$1,000 to a non-profit organization on the winner's behalf.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be between the ages of 6 and 18 and not yet a high school graduate and volunteered within the last year.

Application: [www.kohlscorporation.com](http://www.kohlscorporation.com)

Application deadline: March 15, 2012.

### **Lake Land College:**

Lake Land College offers more than 500 scholarships to students who enroll in a specific area of study, graduate from a specific high school, demonstrate financial need, live in a specified geographic area, or whose parents are employed by specified businesses or organizations. Scholarships are funded through annual gifts or endowments made by individuals and corporations.

#### **Lake Land College Foundation Scholarship:**

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be enrolled for a minimum of 12 semester hours or be classified as full time by program of study.

Application: [www.lakelandcollege.edu/foundation](http://www.lakelandcollege.edu/foundation) or contact the Foundation office at 217-234-5363

Application deadline: 5:00 p.m. on March 1, 2012.

#### **Lake Land College BOOST Scholarship:**

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must (1) be a U.S. citizen and be enrolled full-time (minimum 12 credit hours/semester) in a specified program (see Lake Land College website), (2) have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale, (3) complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) available at [www.fafsa.ed.gov/](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov/), (4) complete a Lake Land College Foundation Scholarship Application and submit with completed BOOST packet and Checklist and (5) be required to participate in various workshops and/or enroll in the Strategies for Success (SFS101) class.

Application: [www.lakelandcollege.edu/foundation](http://www.lakelandcollege.edu/foundation) or contact the Foundation office at 217-234-5363

Application deadline: 5:00 p.m. on March 1, 2012.

**Mangiaracina (George) Memorial Scholarship Fund:**

The Illinois Employment and Training Association Executive Board established the George Mangiaracina scholarship fund that awards two \$500 and one \$300 scholarship to graduating seniors from the Class of 2012.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must (1) demonstrate a need for financial assistance (2) be in the top 50% of their class (3) reside in the state of Illinois, (4) plan on attending a community college or four year institution within the State of Illinois and (5) major in accounting or business.

Application and Application deadline: Contact Chuck Sutcliff, WorkNet DuPage Career Center, 2525 Cabot Drive, Suite 302, Lisle, IL 60532 or 630-955-2050

**Mason (John & Daisy) Scholarship Fund:** (Mattoon students ONLY)

This one-year grant is awarded through First Mid-Illinois Bank and Trust. Students are eligible to receive the scholarship for up to four years of their education. However, the application is for one year and it is necessary to re-apply each year that you will be attending school.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must be a graduate of Mattoon High School and be a full time student (12 or more credit hours).

Application: Available at Mattoon High School or in the Wealth Management Division at First Mid-IL Bank & Trust.

Application deadline: April 15<sup>th</sup> and send to: First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust, PO Box 529, Mattoon, IL 61938, and Attention: Laura Walk, Wealth Management Division.

**Mattoon V.F.W.:**

This scholarship is awarded to graduates in good standing from various high schools.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must: (1) have a qualified Mattoon V.F.W. member in his/her family, (2) be attending an Illinois tax supported University or college and (3) demonstrate financial need.

Application: Available March 1, 2012 at the First National Bank of Mattoon, Trust Department, 507 Lake Land Blvd, Mattoon IL 61938

Application deadline: **April 15, 2012.**

**McEntire (LaVern and Nola) Lineworker's Scholarship:**

This \$1,250 scholarship will help pay for costs to attend the lineworker's school conducted by the Association of Illinois Electric Cooperatives (AIEC) in conjunction with Lincoln Land Community College in Springfield, Illinois.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be (1) a relative of an employee or director of an AIEC member electric cooperative OR (2) a son or daughter of an AIEC electric cooperative member/consumer (who resides in Illinois and is currently receiving service from the cooperative at the time the scholarship application is submitted) OR (3) a veteran.

Application: [www.aiec.coop](http://www.aiec.coop) or the Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: April 30, 2012

**Metzger (James) Memorial Scholarship:**

The following scholarship is awarded to be split equally for Fall and Spring semesters by the Coles County Farm Bureau.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be: (1) a high school senior or an undergraduate or graduate student in a post-secondary school, (2) be a member or child of a member of the Coles County Farm Bureau, (3) be enrolled as a full time student at a post secondary school to study in a field of agriculture, (4) be a resident of Illinois and (5) exhibit the potential for successful completion of a degree.

Application: For additional criteria information and an application, please contact the Coles County Farm Bureau at 217-345-3276.

**Moore (Robert M. and Virginia C.) Scholarship:** (Coles County Students ONLY)

The Coles County Farm Bureau offers two scholarships to be awarded to be split equally for the Fall and Spring semesters.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be: (1) a high school senior or a freshman, sophomore, or junior in a post secondary school, (2) be enrolled at a post-secondary school to study in an agricultural related field (3) be a member or a child of a member of the Coles County Farm Bureau (4) a resident Coles county in Illinois and (5) exhibit potential for successful completion of a degree.

Application: For additional criteria information and an application, please contact the Coles County Farm Bureau at 217-345-3276.

**Phi Delta Kappa (PDK) Educational Foundation:**

The PDK Educational Foundation awards more than 30 scholarships each year to prospective educators who have a connection to PSK by having a family member or teacher who is a PDK member or through membership in the Future Educators Association.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must be (1) a high school senior intending to major in education who is a member of a Future Educators Association chapter in good standing OR (2) a high school senior intending to major in education who is the child or grandchild of a Kappan in good standing OR (3) a high school senior intending to major in education who has one of his/her reference letters written by a Kappan in good standing OR (4) an undergraduate member of an FEA or PDK chapter who is enrolled in a college education program.

Application: [www.pdkintl.org/awards/prospective.htm](http://www.pdkintl.org/awards/prospective.htm).

Application deadline: April 1, 2012.

**President's Student Service Challenge:**

The President's Student Service Challenge is an opportunity for schools, colleges, and community organizations to recognize the young people for their outstanding community service and to encourage more young people to serve. Each high school in the country may select one junior or senior to receive a \$1,000 scholarship for outstanding service to the community.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must have served at least 100 hours within a 12 month period.

For more information contact: President's Student Scholarships, 1150 Connecticut Avenue, NW, Suite 100, Washington, DC 20036 or [info@studentservicescholarship.org](mailto:info@studentservicescholarship.org)

**Ramsey (Florence) Memorial:** (Mattoon students ONLY)

This scholarship is awarded to graduates of Mattoon High School in good academic standing. The applicant must attend an Illinois tax supported University or College and show financial need. The value and number of scholarships awarded each year varies depending on the amount of funds available and the number of renewal applicants. Scholarships are renewable for up to four years.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must: (1) re-apply every year, (2) maintain at least a “C” average, (3) enroll for a minimum of 12 semester hours (or be considered a full time student) (4) submit a transcript of grades each semester.

Application: Available March 1, 2012 at the First National Bank of Mattoon, Trust Department, 507 Lake Land Blvd, Mattoon IL 61938

Application deadline: April 15, 2012.

**Ronald McDonald House Charities Scholarship:** (Clark and Edgar County Students ONLY)

The Ronald McDonald House Charities U.S. Chapters along with RMHC Global offer scholarships to students in financial need who have demonstrated academic achievement, leadership and community involvement. Scholarships are for students in the US living in an area where there are participating local RMHC Chapters (Clark and Edgar County).

Eligibility Requirements: An applicant must: (1) be a high school senior, (2) be younger than 21 years old, (3) be eligible to attend a two- or four-year college, university, or technical school with a full course of study, (4) be a legal U.S. resident, and (5) live in a participating RMHC Chapter’s geographical area.

Application: Available November 11, 2011 at [www.rmhc.org](http://www.rmhc.org)

Application deadline: January 27, 2012.

**Sara Elizabeth Stubblefield Memorial Scholarship for Persons with Epilepsy**

This memorial scholarship will provide financial support for the pursuit of higher education to a student living with epilepsy, who demonstrates a strong commitment to her/his education and perseverance in overcoming the obstacles of epilepsy may present.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be a college-bound or vocational/technical school-bound high school senior residing in the state of Illinois. Previous recipients currently enrolled and in good academic standing in an institution of higher education may also reapply. Any applicant must have epilepsy and be under a physicians care.

Application: Available at the Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

**Sarah Bush Lincoln Guild Scholarship:**

The Guild of the Sarah Bush Lincoln Health System annually awards several scholarships to qualified persons going into a hospital-based health care curriculum.

Eligibility Requirements: Any person who has been accepted into an accredited program of studies may fill out an application form.

Application: Available by the first week of January in the Volunteer Services (GUILD) Office at Sarah Bush, Lake Land College, Eastern Illinois University, and in the guidance offices of several area high schools. Requests for an application packet may be made online by contacting Colleen Stone, Volunteer Services Director, at [cstoner@sblhs.org](mailto:cstoner@sblhs.org) or by calling 217-258-2500.

Application deadline: April 1, 2012.

**Shadley (William & Elizabeth) Scholarship:**

The William and Elizabeth Shadley fund offers two \$1,000 scholarships to graduating Cumberland high school seniors who aspire to continue their education at the college level.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be (1) a senior at Cumberland high school, (2) have good academic standing, (3) have school involvement (work experience may be considered) and (4) have a good citizenship/behavior.

Application: Available February 1, 2012 online at [www.firstneighbor.com/scholarship/scholarships.htm](http://www.firstneighbor.com/scholarship/scholarships.htm) or by contacting your local First Neighbor Bank.

Application deadline: May 2, 2012

**Shelby Electric Scholarship Program:**

Shelby Electric will award three students with \$1,000 scholarships to be used for educational costs at any two-year or four year accredited college or university in the U.S., including vocational/technical schools.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be a high school senior of a current Shelby Electric Cooperative member who is receiving service from the cooperative at the time the scholarship application is submitted.

Application: Available at [www.shelbyelectric.coop/Community/Scholarship.asp](http://www.shelbyelectric.coop/Community/Scholarship.asp) or the Regional Office of Education

Application deadline: March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

**Shrader (Jim) Memorial Scholarship:** (Coles County Students ONLY)

The following scholarship is awarded to be split equally for Fall and Spring semesters by the Coles County Farm Bureau.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be: (1) a high school senior or a freshman, sophomore, or junior in a post secondary school, (2) be enrolled at a post-secondary school to study in an agricultural related field (3) be a member or a child of a member of the Coles County Farm Bureau (4) a resident Coles county in Illinois and (5) exhibit potential for successful completion of a degree.

Application: For additional criteria information and an application, please contact the Coles County Farm Bureau at 217-345-3276.

**Smysor (Harry L., John L., and Catherine H.) Memorial Fund:**

This one-year grant is awarded through First Mid-Illinois Bank and Trust. Students are eligible to receive the scholarship for up to four years of their education. However, the application is for one year and it is necessary to re-apply each year that you will be attending school.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must have graduated from Windsor High School or have a parent who graduated from Windsor High School and may be a part time student.

Application: Available at Mattoon High School or in the Wealth Management Division at First Mid-IL Bank & Trust.

Application deadline: April 15<sup>th</sup> to: First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust, PO Box 529, Mattoon, IL 61938, Attention: Laura Walk, Wealth Management Division.

**Storey (Irene) Scholarship Fund:** (Mattoon students ONLY)

This one-year grant is awarded through First Mid-Illinois Bank and Trust. Students are eligible to receive the scholarship for up to four years of their education. However, the application is for one year and it is necessary to re-apply each year that you will be attending school.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must: (1) be a graduate of Mattoon High School, (2) enrolled in a nursing field of study and (3) be a full time student (12 or more credit hours).

Application: Available at Mattoon High School or in the Wealth Management Division at First Mid-IL Bank & Trust.

Application deadline: April 15<sup>th</sup> send to: First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust, PO Box 529, Mattoon, IL 61938, and Attention: Laura Walk, Wealth Management Division.

**Stump (Jacob and Clara Mae):** (Mattoon and Charleston Students ONLY)

This scholarship is awarded to graduates of Mattoon or Charleston High School in good academic standing. The applicant must attend an Illinois tax supported University or College and show financial need. The value and number of scholarships awarded each year varies depending on the amount of funds available and the number of renewal applicants. Scholarships are renewable for up to four years.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must (1) re-apply every year, (2) maintain at least a “C” average, (3) enroll for a minimum of 12 semester hours (or be considered a full time student) (4) submit a transcript of grades each semester.

Application: Available March 1, 2012 at the First National Bank of Mattoon, Trust Department, 507 Lake Land Blvd, Mattoon IL 61938

Application deadline: April 15, 2012.

**Swinehart (Sylvia) Scholarship:** (Neoga Students ONLY)

This scholarship is awarded to a current senior at Neoga High School. The value and number of scholarships awarded each year varies depending on the amount of funds available and the number of renewal applicants. Scholarships are renewable for up to four years.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must (1) re-apply every year, (2) maintain at least a “C” average, (3) enroll for a minimum of 12 semester hours (or be considered a full time student) (4) submit a transcript of grades each semester.

Application: Available March 1, 2012 at the First National Bank of Mattoon, Trust Department, 507 Lake Land Blvd, Mattoon IL 61938

Application deadline: **April 15, 2012.**

### **University of Illinois Waivers:**

Contact the University of Illinois Financial Aid office for any questions regarding the following waivers.

**Child of Employee Tuition Waiver:** The child of Employee 50% tuition waiver (CETW) is available for eligible undergraduate children of Illinois senior public university employees at participating schools. Fees and charges other than tuition are not included in this waiver.

Eligibility Requirements: The parent must contact the Human Resources Office or Personnel Office at the employing institution to apply for the waiver. The Benefit Utilization Record must be completed each year and the applicant must (1) be the natural, adopted, or step child of the University employee, (2) be enrolled in an undergraduate degree-seeking program at one of the approved institutions and (3) be under the age of 25.

**Children of Veterans Tuition Waiver:** The Children of Veterans Tuition Waiver is a four-year consecutive in-state tuition waiver at the University of Illinois given to natural or legally adopted children of service members who were veterans of World War II, the Korean Conflict, the Vietnam Conflict, the Southwest Asia Conflict, Operation Enduring Freedom, and Operation Iraqi Freedom. One tuition waiver will be given per county, per conflict.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must be a permanent resident of the Illinois county from which he/she applies and prove parents service meets the guidelines listed on the application.

Application deadline: March 1, 2012

### **Welch (Anna B.) Memorial Scholarship Trust:** (Cumberland and Coles County Students ONLY)

This one-year grant is awarded through First Mid-Illinois Bank and Trust. Students are eligible to receive the scholarship for up to four years of their education. However, the application is for one year and it is necessary to re-apply each year that you will be attending school.

Eligibility Requirements: Applicants must be enrolled in a medical field of study, a resident of Coles or Cumberland Counties for the last 5 years, and be a full time student (12 or more credit hours).

Application: Available at Mattoon High School or in the Wealth Management Division at First Mid-IL Bank & Trust.

Application deadline: **April 15<sup>th</sup>** Send to: First Mid-Illinois Bank & Trust, PO Box 529, Mattoon, IL 61938, and Attention: Laura Walk, Wealth Management Division.

### **York (Hazel) Trust Fund Scholarship:**

This scholarship will be awarded annually by Busey Trust Company. A student may receive this scholarship more than once and may reapply each year that he/she is in school. However, it should not be assumed to be renewable to a recipient already having received a previous scholarship or grant. It must be used to pay college tuition or other college expenses, such as books, fees, housing or clothing.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant shall be a student seeking to become a medical doctor or nurse and be a full time student at an accredited college or university. The award is based on grades, financial need and character.

Application: Available at Busey Trust Company or the Regional Office of Education.

Application deadline: April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012 send to: Busey Trust Company, Trustee for the Hazel York Scholarship Fund, 200 West Main, PO Box 500, Shelbyville, IL 62565.

For more information, contact Julie Price, Assistant Trust Officer at 217-774-5515.

### **Youth to Washington Scholarship:**

The Eastern Illini Electric Cooperative will award two high school seniors each with a \$1,000 scholarship and a week long, all expenses paid trip to Washington, D.C. in June 2012. The scholarships must be used within 12 months of high school graduation and are awarded based on grade point average, college entrance test scores, work and volunteer experience, participation in school and community activities, and more.

Eligibility Requirements: The applicant must (1) be a son or daughter of Eastern Illini Electric Cooperative member, (2) a high school senior, (3) be full time students, (4) attend an accredited two- year or four-year college or university, including vocational/technical schools.

Application: [www.eiec.org/comm\\_scholar\\_ytw.html](http://www.eiec.org/comm_scholar_ytw.html)

Application deadline: February 1, 2012.