

Seniors, join your friends on the wall of Spartans. Bring your proof of acceptance to college or your military contract to your counselor in the school counseling office and add your name to the wall of Spartans for everyone to see and receive your very own Spartan head!

Georgia District Civitan Foundation, Inc. invites you to apply for the following scholarships: *Alice Dodd (Outstanding Community Service)* and *Bobby Dodd (Awarded to a physically challenged student)*. An essay is required for each application. Applications are available in the school counseling office. **Deadline: January 31, 2015.**

Columbus State University is accepting entries for the Carson McCullers Literary Awards program. Two awards will be given to high school students. For program and submission information, visit: www.english.columbusstate.edu. **Deadline: February 1, 2015.**

Cobb EMC is accepting applications for three scholarships (Community Foundation College/University, Vocational/Technical College and Walter Harrison). The Walter Harrison scholarship is valued at \$1,000. Please visit: <http://cobbemc.com/walter-harrison-scholarship> for requirements and application. **Deadline for Walter Harrison: February 9, 2015.** Fourteen \$5,000 scholarships will be awarded under the College/University and Vocational/Technical College programs. Please visit: <http://cobbemc.com/content/cobb-emc-community-foundation-scholarship> for the application and specific requirements. **Deadline: March 20, 2015.**

Regions Bank is accepting entries for their *Riding Forward Scholarship Essay Contest*. They will award sixteen \$5,000 scholarships. Please visit: www.regions.com/ridingforward for additional information. **Deadline: February 26, 2015.**

Buick is accepting applications for their *Achievers Scholarship Program*. To be eligible, you must plan to major in a course of study that focuses on engineering, technology, design or business with an interest in the automotive or related industries. Visit: www.buickachievers.com for program details and the online application. **Deadline: February 27, 2015.**

Cobb County Public Schools Educational Foundation is accepting applications for their Academic Scholarship Program. Each year, two students are selected from CHS to receive the \$1,000 scholarship. Interested students must attach a letter of recommendation, transcript, résumé and essay. Applications can be downloaded at: www.cobbschoolsfoundation.org. **Deadline: February 28, 2015.**

Asian Pacific Islanders for Professional and Community Advancement of AT&T is accepting applications for their scholarship program. You must meet the following requirements: minimum un-weighted GPA of 3.4, who plans to attend an accredited college (2-year & 4-year). You must also be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident. Students from any ethnic or cultural background are eligible to apply. Application can be downloaded at: <http://apca-att.org/scholarship.html>. **Deadline: February 15, 2015.**

National Society Daughters of the American Revolution is accepting applications for their scholarship program. Interested students must meet the following requirements: be at least 1/8 American Indian, have at least a 3.25 GPA and a financial need. One scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 will be awarded. For application and additional information, please visit: www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships/american-indian. **Deadline: February 15, 2015.**

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. (Rho Zeta Omega Chapter) will offer scholarships to **African-American female** students who have at least a 2.75 GPA, demonstrated leadership ability in school or community, and have participated in community service projects. Applicants must show financial need and be available for an interview with the scholarship committee. Applications will be available on January 21st in the school counseling office. **Deadline: February 20, 2015.**

Registrations are being accepted for **Moody's Mega Math Challenge**. If you are a talented math student, then do not miss this opportunity to participate in the math challenge. Scholarship prizes range from \$1,000 to \$20,000. For additional information, please visit: www.M3Challenge.siam.org. **Deadline: February 20, 2015.**

Marietta Kiwanis Foundation Scholarship applications are available on their website at: <http://www.mariettkiwanis.org/Page/13472>. Please check each one for the requirements. **Deadline: March 15, 2015.**

Metropolitan North Georgia Water Planning District is accepting entries for their video contest. You are asked to create a 30-60 second water education video public service announcement focused on "Here's the Scoop on Pet Waste." The first prize winner will receive \$1,500, \$1,000 for second and \$500 for third. For additional information, visit: www.northgeorgiawater.org. **Deadline: March 27, 2015.**

Applications are being accepted for the **"B Davis Scholarship."** Visit: www.studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm for requirements and application. A \$1,000 scholarship is available. **Deadline: May 25, 2015.**

Scholarships from previous newsletter

Dell is accepting applications for their **Scholars Program**. Criteria for this scholarship was not listed on the home page of the website. You will need to create an account to access that information. Application can be downloaded at: www.DellScholars.org. **Deadline: January 15, 2014.**

Ithaca College is accepting applications for the **Martin Luther King Scholar Program**. This program is open to all academically talented U.S. citizens and permanent residents from ethnic and racial backgrounds that have been historically underrepresented in U.S. higher education. Winners will receive a minimum award of \$25,000 and in some cases up to full tuition annually. To apply, you must complete the Common Application online along with Ithaca's member section questions no later than January 2nd and complete the MLK Scholar Program application (www.my.ithaca.edu). **Deadline: January 15, 2015.**

Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) is accepting applications for their scholarship programs. Parents' financial information is required. For applications and additional information, please visit: www.rmhc.org. Click on the "What We Do" tab and go over to RMHC U.S. Scholarships. **Deadline: January 20, 2015.**

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. (Marietta-Roswell Alumnae Chapter) is accepting applications for their scholarship program. Applicants must be female, African-American, and have at least a 3.0 GPA. Applications are available in the scholarship drawer in the Career Center. If you have questions, please email them to: scholarship@dstmrac.com. **Deadline: January 26, 2015.**

Bank of America is accepting applications for their **Student Leaders** program. Selected students will work as a paid intern at a local non-profit for eight weeks, attend a week-long Student Leaders Summit in Washington, DC, develop leadership skills and connect with like-minded students from your

community and across the country. Visit: www.bankofamerica.com/studentleaders for more information and application. **Deadline: January 31, 2015.**

Columbus State University is accepting applications for their **Servant Leadership Program Scholarship**. This is a four-year leadership development program that focuses on leadership through service. They are looking for students who have leadership experience, academic ability, community service, extracurricular activities, and a commitment to develop self and others. Students are expected to have at least a 3.0 GPA. The application is available at: <http://servant.columbusstate.edu>. **Deadline: January 31, 2015.**

Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps (NROTC) is accepting applications for their scholarship program. Those selected will receive full tuition, book stipend, educational fees and other financial benefits at many colleges and universities. Please visit: www.nrotc.navy.mil for requirements and additional information. **Deadline: January 31, 2015.**

Princeton University is accepting applications for the **Princeton Prize in Race Relations Program**. This program will honor students who are doing outstanding work in their schools or communities to advance the cause of race relations. You must be working to increase understanding and mutual respect among all races. Applications can be downloaded at: www.princeton.edu/PrincetonPrize. A \$1,000 cash award is available. **Deadline: January 31, 2015.**

University of Dayton will offer a \$10,000 (\$2,500/year) **Leadership in Service** scholarship to a senior that has been accepted for admission into their university. They are seeking a student who has a commitment to service within their school, church or community. For additional information, please see Mrs. Wright. **Deadline: January 31, 2015.**

Georgia Southern University is seeking students for their **Scholars' Day**. Scholars' Day is a scholarship interview weekend for select students who have a minimum SAT score of 1200 (math + critical reading) or a 27 ACT composite score and have a strong academic record in their high school courses. They are also looking for students for their **Leadership Conference**. This is a scholarship interview and leadership education event for students who have earned a minimum 3.0 GPA, a minimum 1100 SAT or 24 ACT, have outstanding leadership in high school, and leadership and involvement in the community through volunteer activities. Visit: www.georgiasouthern.edu for additional information. **Deadline: February 1, 2015.**

Marist College is accepting applications for their technology scholarships. If you are interested in attending Marist and want to major in Computer Science or Information Technology and Systems, please apply. These scholarships will cover full-tuition and room and board. For additional information, visit: www.marist.edu/technologyscholarships. **Deadline: February 1, 2015.**

North Georgia College & State University will award 42 **Georgia Military Scholarships** to seniors that have at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA, a minimum SAT score of 440 math & 480 critical reading, or a 20 English, 18 Math and a 20 ACT composite score. You must first be accepted to the university before applying for this scholarship. For additional information, visit: www.northgeorgia.edu/gmssteps. **Deadline: February 1, 2015.**

Arkansas Alumni Association is accepting applications for scholarships at the University of Arkansas. Interested students must have a 3.6 minimum GPA, 24 (ACT) or 1090 (SAT – critical reading & math), and successful admission to the university. For applications and more information, visit: www.arkalum.org/scholarships. **Deadline: February 2, 2015.**

The Better Business Bureau (Metro Atlanta) is accepting entries for their **2015 Student of Integrity Scholarship** program. Interested students must write an essay, not to exceed 500 words on the following topic: What BBB Programs and Services Strengthen Ethics/Integrity for your generation? Visit: www.bbb.org/atlanta/get-involved/foundation/soi-scholarships/ for application and additional information. **Deadline: February 13, 2015.**

Auburn University is accepting applications for their scholarship program. Several scholarships (National, Academic, Auburn Spirit Foundation, Auburn Spirit Foundation Legacy, Auburn Sponsored Freshman, General and Departmental) are available, and each has specific requirements. Please visit: www.auburn.edu/scholarship for additional information. **Deadline: February 15, 2015.**

The Jackie Robinson Foundation is accepting applications for their scholarship program. Students must meet all of the following criteria: U.S. citizenship, minority, SAT (minimum 1000 – critical reading + math) or ACT (minimum 21 composite), leadership potential, and demonstrate a dedication to community service. Applications must be completed online at: www.jackierobinson.org. **Deadline: February 15, 2015.**

National Commission for Cooperative Education is accepting applications for their thirteenth annual co-op scholarship program. Interested students must have at least a GPA of 3.5 or better, and are required to submit a one-page essay. You can complete an online application at: www.waceinc.org. **Deadline: February 15, 2015.**

The Gallery Collection is accepting entries for their **8th annual Create-A-Greeting-Card Scholarship**. A \$10,000 scholarship will be given to the winning student, \$1,000 given to your school and your entry will be produced and sold as a real greeting card. To enter, go to: www.gallerycollection.com and click on contests & scholarships. **Deadline: February 18, 2015.**

Georgia Business Aviation Association & Foundation (GBAA) is accepting applications for their scholarship program. They will award up to \$5,000 to those pursuing an education as a professional pilot, and up to \$2,000 for those pursuing an education in aviation maintenance technology, aviation operations, aviation management, aeronautical engineering and other aviation-related disciplines. The application can be downloaded at: www.gbaa.org. **Deadline: March 1, 2015.**

Goizueta Foundation is accepting applications for the **Scholars Fund Award** and the **Latino Leadership Pipeline** at Georgia State University. To qualify, you must meet the following requirements: Be of Hispanic/Latino heritage, demonstrate leadership & service to the Hispanic/Latino community and complete the FAFSA by February 1st. The application can be downloaded at: <http://sfs.gsu.edu/scholarships-grants/goizueta-scholarship-opportunities/> or you can apply online, but you must already be accepted for this option. You will need your GSU student ID and password. **Deadline: March 6, 2015.**

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. (Alpharetta-Smyrna Alumni Chapter) will present scholarships to deserving African-American males to assist in covering a portion of their college expenses. Applicants must be U.S. citizens, have a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or better, and a minimum SAT score of 950 (critical reading and math), or ACT score of 20. **Deadline: March 13, 2015.**

American Fire Sprinkler Association is accepting entries for their scholarship program. All applicants must read the essay at: www.afsascholarship.org, and take a 10-question, multiple choice test. For each question answered correctly, you will receive one entry into a drawing for a chance to win one of ten \$2,000 scholarships. **Deadline: April 1, 2015.**

Knowledge Matters is accepting applications for the annual **Virtual Business Scholarship**. This opportunity is for high school business, marketing and personal finance students. The scholarship applications will be judged nationally and the winner will receive \$2,000. You must get nominated by a teacher in one of the areas listed above. Please visit: www.knowledgematters.com/scholarships for application and additional information. **Deadline: April 1, 2015.**

Print and Graphics Scholarship Foundation is accepting applications from students who are interested in a career in graphic communications, printing technology, printing management or publishing. Applications and other information can be downloaded at: www.pgsgf.org. **Deadline: April 1, 2015.**

Community Bankers Association of Georgia is accepting applications for **Julian & Jan Hester Memorial Scholarship Program**. This scholarship is open to students who will be entering a Georgia college,

university, or technical institute (two year program or more) in the fall. They will award at least four \$1,000 scholarships. Please visit: <http://www.cbaofga.com> for application and additional information. **Deadline: April 10, 2015.**

Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute, Inc. is accepting applications for their scholarship program. This opportunity is for Latino students who have a history of performing public service-oriented activities in their communities, and who plan to continue contributing in the future. There is no GPA or academic major requirement. Students with excellent leadership potential are encouraged to apply. Please visit: www.chci.org for application and additional information. **Deadline: April 15, 2015.**

StudentScholarships.org has several scholarships listed on their website. Please visit for the list and requirements. There is also a career and salary section that has lots of great information on many careers. The **deadlines range from October 30, 2014 – May 15, 2015.**

Animation Career Review is accepting entries for their 4th Annual “Aspiring Animation Professional” Scholarship Program. \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to students that are interested in pursuing an animation career path, have an academic record of success, and a passion & drive for an animation and/or design related career. Visit: www.animationcareerreview.com. **Deadline: June 1, 2015.**

Please visit: <http://www.studentscholarships.org/scholarship.php> for a listing of scholarship opportunities that are available. **Deadlines range from November, 2014 – June, 2015.**

Entries are being accepted for the **Wells Fargo CollegeSTEPS** sweepstakes. When you sign up to receive college planning and money management information from Wells Fargo’s CollegeSTEPS program, you will automatically be entered in the sweepstakes for a chance to win \$1,000. Please visit: www.wellsfargo.com/collegesteps for your chance to win. **Deadline: August 13, 2015.**

Suntrust Bank is accepting entries for their **2014-2015 Off To College Scholarship Sweepstakes Program**. Seniors have a chance to win a \$500 scholarship for their education expenses at a two or four-year college/university in the U.S. One **winner will be chosen every two weeks through May 15, 2015.** Eligibility is not based on GPA or financial need. For complete details, please visit: www.offtocollege.info.

Harvard University is deeply committed to making an education affordable for admitted students. Their financial aid is awarded on the basis of demonstrated financial need, and parents of families with incomes below \$65,000 are not expected to contribute at all to college costs. Students are not expected to take out loans. Please visit: www.fao.fas.harvard.edu for additional information and deadlines.

TEST DATES

If you have not done so already, do not forget to register for the SAT and/or the ACT. Registration information is available in the Counseling Office or you can register on-line (www.sat.org/register for the SAT, and www.actstudent.org/start for the ACT). The cost for the SAT is \$51 and the cost for the ACT is \$36.50 (no writing) and \$52.50 (plus writing). **SAT** test dates for the semester are **January 24th, March 14th, May 2nd and June 6th.** **ACT** test dates for the semester are **February 7th, April 18th and June 13th.** Please keep in mind that registration deadlines are approximately one month prior to each test administration. **REGISTER EARLY!**

If you are on free or reduced lunch, you qualify for test fee waivers. Waivers **cannot** be used during the late registration period. Sign up to see your counselor for forms and more information.

Reinhardt University will host *visitation days on January 24, 2015 and March 21, 2015*. Register at: www.reinhardt.edu to attend.

Spelman College will host *"A Day in Your Life"* on **January 26, 2015**. This is an opportunity for you to speak to current Spelman students, meet faculty and staff, tour the campus and your parents will have an opportunity to talk to representatives about housing, student life and the financial aid process. To register, visit: www.spelman.edu/adiyl. The program is from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Georgia Southwestern State University will host *Campus Preview Days* on the following dates: **January 31st and March 28, 2015**. To attend, contact the admissions office at 1-800-338-0082 or email them at: admissions@gsu.edu or at www.gsu.edu. You will have a chance to win a \$1,000 GSW scholarship. The alumni chapter at **Florida A&M University (FAMU)** invites you to ride on the Fantastic Voyage 2015. They are taking a bus trip to visit FAMU on February 20-21, 2015. This will be an overnight trip. The cost to attend is \$150. For more information, please visit: www.FamuAtlantaAlumni.org.

Columbus State University will host *Discovery Day* on **February 21st**. They will also host a special session for admitted students on **April 18th**. Visit: www.columbusstate.edu for additional information.

The **National Association for College Admission Counseling** will host their spring college fair on **March 22, 2015** at the Georgia World Congress Center. For more information, visit: www.nationalcollegefairs.org.

NCAA Clearinghouse applications are available and *must* be completed online. All Prospective student-athletes intending to enroll in an NCAA Division I or II institution for the first-time, must complete the NCAA Amateurism Certification questionnaire. If you have used a fee waiver for either the ACT or SAT, you qualify for a clearinghouse waiver. Please **see Mrs. Wright** in the counseling office once you have completed your online application. You are still responsible for sending them an official transcript and an official copy of your test scores. www.ncaaclearinghouse.net.

SCHOLARSHIP AND FINANCIAL AID WEBSITES

The following sites have been recommended in magazine and newspaper articles, library and education journals. We have not evaluated all of them in depth; therefore, as with all Web information, you should carefully evaluate the source in judging the reliability of the information provided.

www.fastweb.com

www.collegenet.com

www.wiredscholar.com

www.collegeparents.org

www.srnexpress.com

www.salliemae.com

www.fafsa.ed.gov

www.scholarshipexperts.com

www.scholarships.com

www.littleafrica.com/resources/scholarships.htm

www.college-scholarships.com

www.guaranteed-scholarships.com

www.get-recruited.com

www.gacollege411.com

www.collegesavings.org

www.hsf.net

www.uncf.org

www.MeritAid.com

www.atlantascholarships.com

www.studentscholarships.org

Requesting letters of recommendation

Please be advised that there are forms that need to be completed when requesting letters of recommendation. See your counselor for a copy of the forms. **Allow two weeks** for letters to be written, so please plan accordingly.

College Application Deadlines:

Agnes Scott – March 1 st	Gordon State College – August 1 st
Albany State – July 1 st	Kennesaw State University – May 8 th
Armstrong State University – July 15 th	Life University – September 1 st
Berry College – May 1 st	Mercer University – July 1 st
Chattahoochee Tech – July 26 th	Middle Georgia State College – July 16 th
Clark Atlanta University – June 1 st	Morehouse College – February 15 th
Clayton State – July 15 th	Oxford College of Emory University – January 15 th
Columbus State University – June 30 th	Paine College – July 1 st
Dalton State College – July 1 st	Reinhardt University – Rolling admission
Emory University – January 15 th	Savannah College of Art & Design – Rolling
Fort Valley State – July 15 th	Savannah State University – July 15 th
Georgia Gwinnett College – June 1 st	Spelman College – February 1 st
Georgia Highlands – August 1 st	University of Georgia – January 15 th
Georgia Perimeter – July 1 st	University of North Georgia – July 1 st
Georgia Regents University – June 1 st	University of West Georgia – June 1 st
Georgia Southern – May 1 st	Valdosta State University – June 15 th
Georgia Southwestern – July 21 st	
Georgia State – March 1 st	
Georgia Tech – January 10 th	

January “To Do” List

- 1) Distribute Mid-Year reports to your counselor for submission to colleges
- 2) Review a copy of transcript to verify your GPA and completed courses
- 3) Determine your need for applying to additional colleges (safety schools)
- 4) Complete additional scholarship applications
- 5) Continue your leadership, service, sports, and activity involvement