

Several scholarship opportunities are available at www.StudentScholarships.org. Please check the website for criteria under each scholarship. **Deadlines range from November 15 – December 15, 2018.**

5Strong Scholarship Foundation Inc. is accepting applications for their program. This organization partners with HBCUs to award full tuition scholarships and unwavering support to promising students. The minimum requirements are 2.8 GPA, ACT: 19/SAT: 980 and the passion to be a leader in the classroom and on campus. Please visit: www.5strongscholars.org for the application and additional information. **Deadline: December 1, 2018.**

University of Kentucky is accepting applications for several scholarships. Please visit: www.uky.edu/academicscholarships for complete lists of current scholarships. **Deadline: December 1, 2018.**

University of Miami is accepting nominations for their **George W. Jenkins Scholarship**. This prestigious scholarship will be awarded to high school graduates who have overcome adversity to achieve academic excellence. Nominated students should demonstrate a strong work ethic through participation in school and community activities and have a high financial need. This award covers the full cost of attendance for four years. Please visit: www.miami.edu/jenkins for eligibility and additional information. **Deadline: December 1, 2018.**

AXA Achievement is accepting applications for their 2019 scholarship program. Applicants must possess the following qualities: Ambition and drive, determination to set and reach goals, respect for self, family and community, and the ability to succeed in college. Students have the opportunity to receive a \$2,500, \$10,000 or \$25,000 scholarship. Applications can be downloaded at: www.axa-achievement.com. **Deadline: December 14, 2018 or until 10,000 applications are received.**

Burger King is accepting applications for their **2019 Scholars Program**. Interested students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 and plan to enroll full-time in college during the 2019-20 school year. To apply, please visit: www.scholarsapply.org/burgerkingscholars/information.php. **Deadline: December 15, 2018.**

National Beta will award over 250 scholarships to 12th grade Beta members. Visit: www.betaclub.org/scholarship. **Deadline: January 24, 2019.**

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. Those selected will receive a \$1,250 stipend each semester for successful completion of the program requirements. The application is available at: <http://servant.columbusstate.edu>. **Deadline: January 31, 2019.**

U.S. Air Force ROTC is accepting applications for their scholarship programs. Several types of scholarships are available, and each has different requirements, so please visit the website at: www.AFROTC.com for applications, and additional information. Some scholarships will pay full college tuition, most fees and give you an annual textbook allowance. **Deadline: January 31, 2019.**

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: February 1, 2019.**

Black College Expo is accepting entries for their essay contest. All you have to do is submit an essay on the following topic: **"Why is a College Education Important to Me?"** Visit: www.thecollegeexpo.org/students/scholarships for additional information. **Deadline: February 19, 2019.**

TheDream is accepting applications for their National Scholarships. This program is for highly motivated DREAMers who need financial assistance with attending college. To further qualify, you must have a current DACA or TPS authorization. For more information, visit: www.thedream.us. **Deadline: February 28, 2019.**

Jacksonville State University will award scholarships to students that have been accepted for fall 2019 admission. Please visit: www.jsu.edu/scholarships for a list of scholarships and the requirements for each. **Deadline: March 1, 2019.**

Suntrust Bank is accepting entries for their 14th Annual **Off To College Scholarship Sweepstakes Program**. Seniors will be randomly chosen every two weeks for a scholarship through **May 13, 2019**. Eligibility is not based on GPA or financial need. For complete details, please visit: <https://www.suntrustededucation.com/scholarship-sweepstakes/index.html>.

Scholarships from previous newsletters

Emory University is accepting applications for their **Emory Scholars Program**. Please visit: www.apply.emory.edu/apply/scholars.php for application and additional information. **Deadline: November 15, 2018.**

The **Law Office of Jeffrey B. Kelly** is accepting entries for their scholarship contest. Students must create a two-to-four minute video on why Congress should change bankruptcy laws to allow student loans to be discharged in bankruptcy. The video must be posted on YouTube by **December 1, 2018**. The winner will receive a \$1,000 award. Visit: <https://www.kellycanhelp.com/about-us/scholarship/> for additional information.

Nominations are being accepted for the **Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship Program**. To qualify, you must demonstrate a commitment to community service, outstanding quality in character, integrity & leadership, and have a minimum 3.0 GPA. For more information, visit: <https://learnmore.scholarsapply.org/leadersandachievers/>. **Deadline: December 7, 2018.**

Clemson University is accepting applications for their **Lyceum Scholarship Program**. Lyceum Scholars study the moral, political and economic foundations of a free society. This unique curriculum develops students' intellectual faculties, ignites their passion for knowledge, and promotes the development of character traits necessary to succeed in life. Scholars will receive scholarships worth \$10,000, which are distributed over their four years at Clemson. The application and additional information can be found at: www.clemson.edu/capitalism/lyceum.html. **Deadline: December 10, 2018.**

Applications are being accepted for the **Footlocker Scholar Athlete** program. This program honors student-athletes who demonstrate exceptional academic ability and strong leadership skills in sports, school and community. Visit: <https://footlockerscholarathletes.com/about#eligibility> for additional information. **Deadline: December 14, 2018.**

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. The application can be found

at: https://mracforms.formstack.com/forms/201819_mrac_scholarship_application. If you have questions, please email them to: scholarship@dstmrac.com. **Deadline: December 15, 2018.**

Applications are being accepted for the **Greenhouse Scholars** program. This opportunity is available to students who have demonstrated outstanding leadership, served his or her community, shown accountability, and overcome obstacles to relentlessly pursue higher education. Eligible students must also have an un-weighted GPA of 3.5 or higher and demonstrate financial need (annual income no greater than \$70,000). Visit: www.greenhousescholars.fluidreview.com. **Deadline: December 17, 2018.**

Ron Brown Scholar Program will award scholarships to student who meet the following criteria: Must be U.S. citizens or permanent residents, Black/African American, excel academically, exhibit exceptional leadership potential, participate in community service activities, demonstrate financial need and be a U.S. citizen or hold a permanent resident visa card. Winners will receive \$10,000 annually for four years. Application can be downloaded at: www.ronbrown.org. **Deadline: January 9, 2019.**

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 positive race relations. The Application can be downloaded at: www.princeton.edu/PrincetonPrize. A \$1,000 cash award is available. **Deadline: January 31, 2019.**

Andrew College will award two full academic scholarships (tuition, room and board) and a number of partial scholarships to incoming freshmen through the **Pitts Academic Scholarship Competition**. You must have a 3.0 or higher GPA, record of leadership/service to school community or church and you must meet the following testing requirements: SAT – 500 EBRW and 500 Math, or ACT – 19 English, 19 Math and 19 Composite. Visit: www.andrewcollege.edu for additional information. You must submit a complete admissions application by **February 1, 2019.**

National Commission for Cooperative Education is accepting applications for their seventeenth annual National Co-Op scholarship program. Interested students must have at least a GPA of 3.5 or better. You can complete an online application at: www.waceinc.org. **Deadline: February 15, 2019.**

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, up to \$3,000 for aviation operations, aviation management, and aeronautical engineering and \$2,000 for those pursuing an education in aviation maintenance technology and aviation operations. The application can be downloaded at: www.gbaa.org. **Deadline: March 1, 2019.**

MG Law Office will award one high school senior a \$1,000 scholarship. You must have a minimum 3.0 GPA. Visit: <https://www.mg4law.com/scholarship/>. **Deadline: July 1, 2019.**

Varsity Tutors holds a monthly \$200 college scholarship contest, where you must write an essay in response to a monthly prompt. Visitors to the webpage are able to vote and the top five entries with the most votes are reviewed by Varsity Tutors and one winner is selected to receive the \$200 award. Visit: www.varsitytutors.com/college-scholarship.

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 school counseling office or you can register on-line (www.collegeboard.org for the SAT, and www.act.org for the ACT). The cost for the SAT is \$46 and the cost for the ACT is \$46. Remaining **SAT** test date for this semester is **December 2nd**. Remaining **ACT** test date for this semester is **December 9th**. Our school code is 112-745. 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.

Andrew College will host **Preview Days** on **February 9, 2019 and April 13, 2019**. These events will take place from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Visit: www.andrewcollege.edu/visitation-days.

Georgia Southwestern State University will host **Campus Preview Days** on the following dates: **January 26th and April 6, 2019**. To attend, visit: <https://www.gsw.edu/admissions/visit-gsw-admissions/previewday>.

NCAA Eligibility Center 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. Jackson** 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.

SCHOOL COUNSELORS

Mrs. Burke-Collins	A-Bo
Mrs. Ellison-Brown	D-H
Dr. Amand	G-K
Mrs. Wright	L-Pa
Mrs. Schloemer	Pe-Sam/ESOL/AVID
Mrs. Jackson	San-Z
Mrs. Loftin	Registrar/Dual Enrollment
Mrs. Beasley	Counseling Intern

Mrs. Perez	Counseling Secretary – Please see for transcript requests and proof of enrollment letters
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Mrs. Askew	Counseling Clerk – Please see for transcript requests, address changes, name or social security number changes.
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Requesting letters of recommendation

Please be advised that there is information that you will need to complete when requesting letters of recommendation. Visit our website or see your counselor for more information. **Allow two weeks** for letters to be written, so please plan accordingly.

November “To Do” List

- 1) If you are still unsure about your post-secondary plans, sign up to see your counselor for assistance
- 2) Continue to attend college information sessions and meet with college representatives that visit our school
- 3) Finalize your college list
- 4) Work on completing your college/scholarship applications and submit them prior to the deadlines
- 5) Request official transcripts in one of three ways (www.gafutures.org, www.careercruising.com or in person) the cost is \$2/transcript
- 6) Give your teacher/counselor (recommenders) advanced notice for writing your recommendation letters (**For UGA, counselors must have recommendation forms no later than December 12th – NO EXCEPTIONS!**)
- 7) Continue your leadership, service, sports, and activity involvement

2019 College Application Deadlines:

Abraham Baldwin – March 1 st	Georgia Southwestern – December 10 th
Agnes Scott – March 15 th	Georgia State University – March 1 st
Albany State – July 1 st	Georgia Tech – January 1 st
Atlanta Metro State – August 1 st	Gordon State College – July 15 th
Augusta University – July 1 st	Kennesaw State University – June 1 st
Berry College – January 15 th	Life University – September 1 st
Chattahoochee Tech – July 12 th	Mercer University – February 1 st
Clark Atlanta University – May 1 st	Middle Georgia State – July 1 st
Clayton State University– July 15 th	Morehouse College – February 1 st
College of Coastal GA – August 1 st	Oxford College of Emory University – Jan. 1 st
Columbus State Univ. – June 30 th	Reinhardt University - Rolling
Dalton State College – August 8 th	Savannah College of Art & Design - Rolling
East Georgia State – August 6 th	Savannah State University – July 15 th
Emory University – January 1 st	South Georgia State – June 15 th
Fort Valley State – June 15 th	Spelman College – February 1 st
Georgia College & State – April 1 st	University of Georgia – January 1 st
Georgia Gwinnett College – May 1 st	University of North Georgia – March 15 th
Georgia Highlands – July 15 th	University of West Georgia – June 1 st
Georgia Southern University – August 1 st	Valdosta State University – August 1 st

Top 10 College Application Mistakes

Senior year is hectic, but don't let it affect the quality of their college applications. Make sure your students take their time, pay attention to detail and plan ahead to meet the deadlines.

Following are some of the top responses from counselors and admissions staff who shared the most common mistakes on college applications. Be sure to pass along this advice to your students so they can avoid making some common mistakes.

1. **Misspellings and grammatical errors** - This is a big pet peeve of admissions people. If you misspell on something as important as the application, it shows that either you don't care or you aren't good at spelling. Some students even misspell their intended major. But don't stop with a spell check. Proofread for grammatical errors, too.
2. **Applying online, but the application isn't submitted** - If you apply online, you should receive confirmation that the college or university received it. Confirmation could be an email message, a Web page response or a credit card receipt. Follow through and make sure that your application has been received.
3. **Forgotten signatures** - Make sure you sign and date the application form. Often students overlook that part of the form if it's on the back. Check that all spaces are completed.
4. **Not reading carefully** - For example, if the form asks what County you live in, don't misread it as Country and write United States.
5. **Listing extracurricular activities that aren't** - Those that make the list include sports, the arts, formal organizations and volunteer work. Talking on the phone and hanging out with friends don't make the cut. Make sure your activity information is accurate. Colleges may check with your high school.
6. **Not telling your school counselor where you've applied** - Let your counselor know which colleges you're applying to, and ask him or her to review your high school transcript before sending it to colleges. Sometimes transcripts have errors.
7. **Writing illegibly** - First impressions count, so take your time and use your best handwriting. It will make a better impression.
8. **Using an email address that friends might laugh about, but colleges won't** - Select a professional email address. Keep your fun address for friends, but select an address using your name for college admissions.
9. **Not checking your email regularly** - If you've given an email address, the college will use it. You don't want to miss out on anything because you didn't read your email.
10. **Letting Mom or Dad help you fill out your application** - Admissions people know if your parents help, whether you have two different styles of handwriting or your admissions essay sounds more like a 45-year-old than a 17-year-old. It's fine to get advice, but do the work yourself.

COLLEGE SPOTLIGHT



UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

2018-2019 First-year admitted student profile

- Applications received: 26,448
 - New first-year enrolled: 5,750
 - Total number of undergraduate students – 27,951
 - Middle 50% Core GPA: 3.97 - 4.21
 - Middle 50% SAT (M, Evidence-based Reading & Writing): 1320 – 1490
 - Middle 50% ACT: 28-33
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- **Regular Decision Deadline: January 1st (Admissions decision by mid-March – Counselors must have your recommendation request NO LATER THAN December 12th for Fall, 2019)**
 - **Academic review centers on 3 areas: Grades through the end of junior year, rigor of student's curriculum and best combination of scores on ACT or SAT.**
 - **\$70 application fee**
 - **Tuition, fees, room and board (based on 2018-19 school year) \$26,688**
 - **200+ majors and academic programs available**
 - **18:1 student/faculty ratio**
 - **17 schools and colleges**
 - **95% first-year retention**
 - **18th in the nation for top public universities (U.S. News & World Report)**
 - **700+ registered student organizations**

Visit: www.uga.edu for additional information and to schedule a campus tour