

March 2023 Scholarship and Contest Opportunities

Name	Deadline	Description/Eligibility	Grade	Award
Kinecta	3/1	Applications will be scored by a Kinecta committee based on GPA, essay (grammar and content will be graded), community involvement, awards, achievements, and extracurricular activities. Transcripts are required.	12	\$2,000
Asian Commercial Professionals for HS students	3/1	For students of Asian heritage, pursuing a career in architecture, engineering, commercial real estate, facility mgt or construction trades. Student intends to return to Bay area to live or work after college	1-11	2,000
Society of Exploration Geophysicsts (SEG) Scholarship	3/1	For high school seniors planning to attend college next year with average grades and intending to pursue a college curriculum directed toward a career in applied geophysics.	1/11	varies, \$500-\$10,000
Sons of Italy Scholarships	3/1	Of Italian descent; enrolled in an accredited trade school, college/univ. , or community college next Fall. Two types of scholarship available: * Academic awards for HS seniors, and *Grants for Italian language summer study in Italy for HS seniors	12	varies
SWE(Society of Women Engineers)-SCV (Silicon Valley) Scholarship	3/2	Scholarships for local women pursuing engineering or computer science degrees. Approx \$15K in scholarships awarded	12	\$2,500
Friends of the CA State Fair Scholarship	3/2	Numerous different scholarship categories here -- see website. Preference given to those with broad personal, civic and academic experience. Applicants will be evaluated on personal commitment and goals established for their chosen field, leadership potential, civic accomplishments, qualifications for category entered and the completeness of their application packet.	12	\$2,500
Japanese American Citizens League Scholarship NATIONAL LEVEL	3/6	Several awards available. Applicant must be an active National JACL member at either an Individual or Student/Youth level. Applicant must be planning to attend full time at a college, university, trade school, business school, or any other institution of higher learning. Applicants may apply under only one scholarship category.	12	N/A
Asian Pacific Fund-Banatao Filipino American Education Scholarship	3/6	Applicant criteria: high school senior of at least 50% Filipino heritage, pursuing a career in engineering or the physical/biological sciences (excluding healthcare), with financial need. Criteria: Academic achievement, especially in the sciences. Well-informed educational and career goals in engineering/science. Personal strengths, including maturity, motivation and potential to succeed. Honors, Work experience, Financial need	12	\$5,000
CIF - Farmers Scholar-Athlete of the Year Award	3/7	For seniors with 3.5+ GPA, superior athletic ability and who are role models of character and integrity. Speak to Ms. Schmidt.	12	\$5,000

Doodle for Google	3/7	Open to all grades, to create their own Google doodle inspired by the theme of current year's contest. Submit artwork by March deadline. See website for current theme and entry form.	9-12th	up to \$30,000
San Francisco-Peninsula Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority	3/10	African American female from Bay Area GPA 2.7	1-11	\$6,000
Ninth Circuit Civics Contest	3/13	An essay and video contest for high school students in the western United States and Pacific Islands. 2023 Topic: What amendment would you propose for our Constitution? Why? How would you get your amendment ratified?	9-12	varies
Redwood City Rotary Club Scholarship	3/13	Redwood City residents from various schools and backgrounds. The awards are based on a number of criteria including scholastic ability, responsibility toward education, and financial need—with a special emphasis on community service.	1/11	1000-2000
Beyond the Boroughs	3/15	For low income students admitted to full-time college in the fall. Minimum GPA 2.5. Involvement in extracurricular activity or work and essays.	12	\$20,000 over 4 years
Elks Undergrad Student w/Disability	3/15	Must be a US citizen; have a physical impairment, neurological impairment, visual impairment, hearing impairment, and/or speech-language disorder; and be a senior in high school, a high school graduate, or have passed the General Educational Development (GED) Examination or the California High School Proficiency Examination (CHSPE).	12	\$1,000
Horatio Alger Scholarships	3/15	For juniors who have exhibited integrity/perseverance, over-coming personal adversity & who aspire to pursue higher ed. Income 55K or lower GPA 2.0 US Citizen	11	\$10,000
San Mateo JACL Japanese American Citizens League Scholarship	3/15	12th grade enrolled in a San Mateo County public or private high school. Applicants will be partially judged on their involvement in the Japanese American / Asian American community. Applicants must be planning to attend a college, university, trade school, business school or any other institution of higher learning within the United States.	12	varies
Cabrillo Civic Clubs of California	3/15	Scholarships are awarded on a competitive basis to several CA students of Portuguese descent who have demonstrated scholastic ability, good character, and sincere determination to secure an education. Applicants must have participated in at least three extra-curricular activities while in high school.	12	\$500
Microsoft Disability Scholarship	3/15	For high school seniors with living with a disAbility (as defined by WHO), whether that be visual, hearing, mobility, cognitive, speech or other disAbility. Plan to attend an undergraduate program in a 2 or 4-year University/College or Technical College in the fall of the academic year following high-school graduation. Must declare a major in engineering, computer science, computer information systems, law, business, or a related field (e.g. paralegal, pre-law, finance, business administration, or marketing) and demonstrate a passion for technology. Must demonstrate leadership at school and/or in the community. Must require financial assistance to attend college.	12	\$5,000

Growing Up Asian in America Art, Essay & Video Contest	3/15	Contest theme for 2023: Free to Be Me An art, essay and video contest for K-12 Bay Area students to reflect on their heritage, take pride in their identities and share their experience of growing up both Asian/Pacific Islander and American. See theme online.	9-12	\$1,000
RIT Spirit Writing Contest	3/15	Writing Contest for 10-11th graders who are deaf or hard of hearing with bilateral hearing loss	10-11	\$500
Federal Employee Education Assistance FEEA Scholarship	3/16	Children or legal dependents under the age of 25 of full- or part-time permanent federal civilian or postal employees. Blacks in Government (BIG) federal employee members may also sponsor a grandchild.	12	Range \$1,000-\$7,500
USPAACC US Pan Asian	3/18	Several different scholarships here -- see website. Bruce Lee Scholarship is open to all applicants, but the other scholarships are open to Asian Pacific Island heritage applicants only. 3.3 GPA US Citizen or Permanent Resident	12	\$5,000
Karen Ha Scholarship	3/24	For Seniors planning to attend college in CA full time. 3.0 minimum GPA, Korean ethnicity (50%), documented financial need and must reside in a Bay Area County.	12	\$10,000 which will be awarded \$2,500 per year and renewable up to 4 years
Asian Pacific Fund -Chin Shui Kuen & Allen Chin Scholarship	3/24	For students who (or their parents) are working or have worked, in an Asian-owned or Asian-cuisine restaurant. Criteria: * Financial need * Academic achievement * Motivation and potential to succeed * Community service	12	\$1,000
San Mateo County Alumnae Panhellenic Association	3/24	Female Senior Min GPA 3.2 Criteria - Commitments, School and Community Leadership, Work Experience and Role Model . Pick up application in the College and Career Center	12	\$1,200
San Mateo Credit Union Scholarship	3/24	For graduating seniors with GPA 3.0+, 500+ word essay; see website for topic.	12	Two \$5,000 awards
Rotary Club of San Carlos Scholarships	3/24	Students who are highly motivated but may not have achieved top grades should be encouraged to apply. be a San Carlos resident. attending either 2/4 yr colleges and trade schools have the completed application by the yearly deadline	12	varies
Palo Alto Medical Foundation Pre-Med Scholarship	3/30	Student plans to become a medical doctor. GPA in the top 20% of class. Demonstrated need for financial assistance to attend a 4-yr university verified by FAFSA and parent's tax returns. BIG SCHOLARSHIP!!	12	\$30,000 over 5 years
San Carlos Lions Club Scholarship	3/31	For senior who live in San Carlos. Submit essay outlining education, family background, school to which you have been accepted, major selected, future aspirations, etc.	12	\$1,000

San Mateo County Trial Lawyers Association	3/31	Three scholarships: (one \$3500, one \$2500, one \$1500) to students interested in law or criminal justice careers (which includes any law-related profession). Download on Naviance or pick up in College and Career Center	12	\$3,500, \$2,500, \$1,500
Lockheed Martin Vocational Scholarship	3/31	Open to all students who are preparing for careers in tech, engineering, and advanced manufacturing at a community college or technical college.	9-12	\$5,000
Sequoia Alumni Association Spirit of the Seal Scholarship	3/31	Applications reviewed by: GPA, HS attendance, helping to advance/support Sequoia HS traditions and spirit, community service and a personal interview. Application info attached or pick up a copy in the College and Career Center	12	\$2,000
Princeton U 10-Minute Play Contest - Juniors	3/31	Juniors: submit one play. Juried by Princeton University theater faculty.	11	\$500
American Iris Society Scholarship	3/31	For seniors planning a career in the horticulture, floriculture or closely related field.	12	\$1,000
Junior Matron Social & Service Club	3/31	Graduating female senior who demonstrates outstanding achievement through a strong commitment to community service. Planning to attend a community or four-year college/university and have GPA of at least 3.0 . Download on Naviance or pick up in College and Career Center	12	Two \$1000.00 awards
Tzu Chi Scholarship	3/31	For outstanding college-bound seniors. Criteria: financial need, academic achievement, and community involvement.	12	\$1,500
Jewish Community Fed College Scholarship Program	3/31	Multiple scholarships here -- most, but not all, for Jewish students.	12	\$5,000