

Coldwater High School  
Local Scholarship Packet  
2019-2020  
Part 2





## COLDWATER HIGH SCHOOL LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION 2019-2020

Applying for scholarships is a wonderful opportunity that could potentially make paying for college a little easier. Scholarships ARE out there and ARE available to you both nationally and locally. We are very fortunate to have a community that values and believes in you, your future, and your success. We are infinitely thankful to be a part of a community who gives back so that you may leap forward.

Please be aware that being awarded a scholarship is highly competitive. You MUST stand out and be THE one who catches the donor's eye. PLEASE read the following recommendations and instructions in order to present the BEST, most desired application. The simplest things can disqualify your efforts. Those who pay attention to detail JUST MIGHT be the biggest winners in the end...Good luck!

**ALL applications MUST be assembled, stapled, then submitted IN THIS ORDER for EACH scholarship:**

### **Recommendations:**

To be considered for any scholarship you must meet the criteria established for EACH individual scholarship.

Read each scholarship description thoroughly and carefully.

ONLY apply for the scholarship in which you qualify.

Fill out every section of the application.

Answer everything.

Leave no blanks.

Impress the donors. Use correct spelling and grammar.

Pay attention to detail.

Be sure to include ALL documentation - all of the additional materials - required by the donor as requested in the scholarship description.

1. Correct Cover Page
  - General Local Scholarship Cover Page
  - Century Bank and Trust Cover Page
2. Completed Branch County Community Foundation Application
3. Transcript Containing GPA and ACT/SAT Scores
4. SAR (Student Aid Report from FAFSA, 1<sup>st</sup> page only)
5. Résumé (Maximum 2 pages)
6. Personal Essay (Maximum 1 page)
7. Letter(s) of Recommendation
  - At least (1) one written letter no more than 6 months old
  - Any Additional Letter(s) of Recommendation (as required by the donor/scholarship description)
8. Additional/Specific criteria for specific scholarships
  - Additional information, essays, etc.

***Please be aware that Coldwater High School does not have the capacity to make copies of your scholarship applications.***

# CHS Local Scholarship Instructions At A Glance:

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The Coldwater High School Local Scholarship opportunities are divided into four (4) sections. Please read each section carefully and pay attention to any additional/specific criteria for each scholarship.

## Coldwater High School Scholarship Opportunities

- Due **March 6, 2020** to CHS Guidance Office **by 3:00pm**.
- Each uses the **Common Application** (printed after completing the online Branch County Community Foundation application)
- MUST INCLUDE **ONE** correct CHS cover sheet (included in this packet) with **ONE HIGHLIGHT** for **EACH** scholarship for which you are applying, that is 3 scholarships = 3 separate cover sheets
- MUST INCLUDE **ONE** copy of application for each scholarship you are applying
- Be sure to include any additional requirements as described in the packet for the individual scholarships
- TURN IN to the GUIDANCE OFFICE to be collected and distributed to the donors by Mrs. Krzyzanski

## Branch County Community Foundation Scholarship Opportunities

- ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION due to the BCCF NO LATER than **March 6, 2020 by 3:00pm**
- Application, and **SPECIFIC** Directions for applying can be found online at <https://brcofoundation.egrant.net/login.aspx?PIID=147&OID=116>
- BCCF Location: Southern Michigan Bank and Trust Office/Meeting Building. 2 West Chicago St. – Suite E-1 – downstairs, call **278-4517** with any questions.
- Required steps: Apply for Financial Aid (FAFSA), Provide transcripts with most recent GPA and ACT scores, Gather work history, volunteer work, and extracurricular activities, Secure a Recommendation Form and ask someone to fill it out for you, Update your Resume, Ask for a personal recommendation letter to have on hand, Be prepared to add additional attachments and essays as needed for specific scholarships.
- **CRITICAL**: You will not be considered if all criteria are not met and if the application is **INCOMPLETE or LATE**

## Outside Scholarship Opportunities

- A SEPARATE APPLICATION is needed for each scholarship listed in this section.
- Applications are available ON THE TABLE IN THE GUIDANCE OFFICE or ONLINE (please check scholarship description for information).
- These are scholarships that have been posted in the Daily Bulletin or that have recently come into the Guidance Office.
- These particular individual scholarships are TIME SENSITIVE – PAY CLOSE ATTENTION AS DEADLINES MAY VARY.
- These particular scholarships have their OWN specific criteria.
- **YOU** are responsible for returning these applications to the individual / organization **YOURSELF**. These applications **WILL NOT** be returned to the Guidance Office.
- You will most likely **MAIL** these applications or submit them **ONLINE**.

## Branch Area Careers Center Scholarship Opportunities

- CHS students who have never attended BACC may apply for the Smith River Farms and Branch Agri-Business Council "Farmer's Day" scholarships.
- All other scholarships require attendance in a BACC program.
- Descriptions, Cover Sheet, and Applications are available through BACC counselors and program managers or online at [www.branch-isd.org](http://www.branch-isd.org)
- Each uses the **Common Application** from the online Branch County Community Foundation website (download here: <https://brcofoundation.egrant.net/login.aspx?PIID=147&OID=116>) MUST INCLUDE a BACC cover sheet for each of these scholarships (found on the [www.branch-isd.org](http://www.branch-isd.org) website).
- BACC Scholarships are due **March 6, 2020 by 3:00pm**. Any questions contact BACC Student Services at **279-5729**

# Online Resources

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There are numerous free databases available on the Internet for doing scholarship and financial aid searches. This list is compiled for information purposes only. CHS nor the Community Foundation endorses any of these sources nor have we verified the validity of any claims made on these sites. Always do your own research and investigation before making any financial decisions.

Higher Education, Career, & Financial Aid Information	<a href="http://mappingyourfuture.org">http://mappingyourfuture.org</a>
Free Application for Federal Student Aid	<a href="http://www.fafsa.ed.gov">http://www.fafsa.ed.gov</a>
Sallie Mae – College Answer: The Planning for College Destination	<a href="http://www.collegeanswer.com">http://www.collegeanswer.com</a>
Fast Web – Scholarship Search	<a href="http://www.fastweb.com/">http://www.fastweb.com/</a>
National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators	<a href="http://www.nasfaa.org">http://www.nasfaa.org</a>
Scholarships.com: Find Money for College	<a href="http://www.scholarships.com/">http://www.scholarships.com/</a>
College Scholarships, Colleges, and Online Degrees	<a href="http://www.college-scholarships.com">http://www.college-scholarships.com</a>
FinAid: The Smart Student™ Guide to Financial Aid	<a href="http://www.finaid.org">http://www.finaid.org</a>
Student Edge: College Planning Made Simple	<a href="http://www.studentedge.com">http://www.studentedge.com</a>
College View	<a href="http://www.collegeview.com/financialaid/index.html">http://www.collegeview.com/financialaid/index.html</a>
State of Michigan Student Aid	<a href="http://www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid">http://www.michigan.gov/mistudentaid</a>
US Department of Education	<a href="http://www.ed.gov">http://www.ed.gov</a>
Back to College ( <i>targeted to adult students</i> )	<a href="http://www.back2college.com/library/scholarships.htm">http://www.back2college.com/library/scholarships.htm</a>

**Be sure to check with the College Financial Aid Office where you are interested in applying / attending as approximately 80% of scholarships are awarded through that office.**

## LOCAL LINKS

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[www.coldwaterschools.org](http://www.coldwaterschools.org) - link to Local Scholarship Application and Descriptions

[www.brcofoundation.org](http://www.brcofoundation.org) – link to Branch County Community Foundation Scholarships

[www.branch-isd.org](http://www.branch-isd.org) – link to Branch Area Career Center Scholarships

<http://www.abouthccf.org> - link to Hillsdale County Community Foundation (Richard Wade Construction Memorial Scholarship)

<http://www.marshallcf.org/scholarships.html> - link to Marshall Community Foundation (Art/Music and UAW Scholarships)

[www.careercruising.com](http://www.careercruising.com) Username: coldwater Password: cardinal

- Go to the Financial Aid Tab
- You can search by scholarship name (specific, for example type in Best Buy...)
- OR by clicking on the letter of the alphabet to come up with a ton of available scholarships.
- **\*\*Be aware: Not EVERY scholarship is for this area. These are nationwide offering - so if it says for a student in Idaho, not for you... :)**

# COLDWATER HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATION COVER SHEET

**Due March 6, 2020 to CHS GUIDANCE OFFICE**

A copy of this cover sheet **MUST ACCOMPANY** and **IDENTIFY EACH** scholarship for which you are applying

**Part 1: Please fill out the following “first glance” information to help the scholarship committees as they look over your application:**

	<b>Name</b>
	<b>ACT OR SAT Composite Score</b>
	<b>GPA (as presented on your transcript)</b>
	<b>College/University Attending</b> (list all you are considering or say “undecided” if not sure)
	<b>Future Career Path/Goal</b> (ie: Nursing, Education, Business, Finance, etc.)

**Part 2: Please HIGHLIGHT the scholarship you are applying for below.** Only **ONE** scholarship should be highlighted for each cover sheet. An (\*) denotes CHS Seniors AND Alumni are eligible to apply. A (\*\*) denotes eligible for RENEWAL (may apply again if awarded in past year). All others are for CHS Seniors, **ONLY**.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. (*)American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Scholarship<br/>Grandparent/Parent a Veteran ___Yes ___No</li> <li>2. (*)Coldwater Early Bird Exchange Club Scholarship</li> <li>3. Coldwater Noon Exchange Club Scholarship</li> <li>4. The Branch County Association of Realtors Scholarship</li> <li>5. The CHS Class of 1981 Scholarship</li> <li>6. The Jillian Crist Memorial Scholarship</li> <li>7. The C.L. Luce Memorial Scholarship Fund</li> <li>8. The CEA Scholarship</li> <li>9. The CHS Alumni Scholarship</li> <li>10. The Coldwater Rotary Club Scholarship</li> <li>11. The Coldwater Township Sunrise Rotary Scholarship</li> <li>12. The E. Byron Thomas/Axner Olson Memorial Scholarship</li> </ol> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>13. The Jack Gates U of M Memorial Scholarship</li> <li>14. The John R. Vance U of M Memorial Fund</li> <li>15. The Katie Weis Memorial Scholarship</li> <li>16. The Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel (MARSP) Scholarship</li> <li>17. The Petzko Family Golf Scholarship</li> <li>18. The Pioneer State Mutual Insurance-Branch Insurance Merit Scholarship</li> <li>19. The ASTRA Service Club Scholarship</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Separate Cover Sheet Required</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>20. (*)(**)The Clement Malovey Scholarship Trust (Century Bank and Trust)</li> <li>21. The Percy and Helen Taylor Scholarship Trust (Century Bank and Trust)</li> <li>22. (*)(**)Verbie E. Harkness Memorial Scholarship (Century Bank and Trust)</li> </ol> |
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- TYPE ALL applications, unless otherwise instructed by the donor requirements
- DO NOT use folders or envelopes of ANY kind
- STAPLE all applications – DO NOT use paper clips

**Coldwater High School Century Bank and Trust  
APPLICATION COVER SHEET**

**Due March 6, 2020 to CHS GUIDANCE OFFICE**

A copy of this cover sheet **MUST ACCOMPANY** and **IDENTIFY EACH** scholarship for which you are applying

**Part 1: Please fill out the following “first glance” information to help the scholarship committees as they look over your application:**

	<b>Name</b>
	<b>ACT OR SAT Composite Score</b>
	<b>GPA (as presented on your transcript)</b>
	<b>College/University Attending</b> (list all you are considering or say “undecided” if not sure)
	<b>Future Career Path/Goal</b> (ie: Nursing, Education, Business, Finance, etc.)

**Part 2: Please HIGHLIGHT ALL of the Century Bank and Trust scholarships you are applying for below.** For the Century Bank and Trust scholarships, attach ONE scholarship application and then highlight ALL you are submitting for review on this separate cover sheet. An (\*) denotes CHS Seniors AND Alumni are eligible to apply. A (\*\*) denotes eligible for RENEWAL (may apply again if awarded in past year). All others are for CHS Seniors, **ONLY**.

20. (\*)(\*\*)The Clement Malovey Scholarship Trust (CB&T)

Check Here if a Renewal

21. The Percy and Helen Taylor Scholarship Trust (CB&T)

22. (\*)(\*\*)Verbie E. Harkness Memorial Scholarship (CB&T)

Check Here if a Renewal

# Coldwater High School Scholarships

## DUE: March 6, 2020 TO GUIDANCE OFFICE

### 1. \*The American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Scholarship:

In 1975 the Coldwater American Legion Auxiliary inaugurated a scholarship to be awarded to the son or daughter of a veteran. Grandchildren MAY also qualify.

#### Eligible applicants must demonstrate:

- GPA – no minimum required
- The recipient must be a **graduating senior**, or a **graduate/alumni 25 years or younger**
- Community service, citizenship, and patriotism
- The desire to further his/her education
- Financial need

A selection committee of Auxiliary members will interview final candidates and make final decisions.

### 2. \*Coldwater Early Bird Exchange Club Scholarship:

The Coldwater Early Bird Exchange Club will be awarding one or more scholarships each year, depending on available resources. The recipient may be either a Branch County **graduating senior or a student in attendance at a community college or 4-year University, or a vocational-technical institution planning to pursue a career in a child related area.**

#### Eligible applicants must demonstrate:

- GPA must be a minimum of 2.5
- A letter of recommendation from a teacher or employer
- A résumé stating your goals
- Financial need

Members of the Coldwater Early Bird Exchange Club will make selection.

### 3. Coldwater Noon Exchange Club:

The Coldwater Noon Exchange Club will award a scholarship to a **graduating senior** from Coldwater High School.

#### Eligible applicants must demonstrate:

- Must utilize the funds for his/her expenses for enrollment at **KCC**
- Must plan to attend a majority of classes at the Coldwater campus
- Have outstanding academic achievement, community service
- Must submit a brief **essay of approximately 250 words** explaining the reasons, which motivate the applicant to enroll at Kellogg Community College to pursue higher education following graduation from Coldwater High School
- Financial need

### 4. The Branch County Association of Realtors Scholarship:

The Branch County Association of Realtors will award a scholarship to a **graduating senior** from Branch County planning to enter the field of **Business, Sales, Marketing, or Advertising.**

#### Eligible applicants must demonstrate:

- A 2.5 GPA
- Financial need

### 5. The CHS Class of 1981 Scholarship:

The Coldwater High School Class of 1981 is offering an annual scholarship to a **graduating CHS senior**. Any senior class member is eligible to apply. This award is not necessarily dependent on any specific GPA nor based on need. All are encouraged to apply.

#### 6. The Jillian Crist Memorial Scholarship:

Jillian Crist – a 2010 Coldwater graduate, a gymnastics tri-captain, cheerleader and aspiring neonatal nurse passed away due to an unfortunate auto accident November 19, 2011. With an outpouring of donations from family and friends, a scholarship has been established in Jillian's name to help those graduating seniors wishing to continue their education beyond high school. The family and a small committee will make the final selection. This scholarship may be renewable.

Eligible applicants must demonstrate:

- GPA 2.5 or higher
- Be a graduating CHS senior **OR** graduating from any Branch County Homeschool program
- Planning to attend a College or University in Michigan
- Entering the Health Science Field
- Have participated in high school athletics and/or extracurricular activities
- **Write a one page or more essay** on your **HERO**. Describe who your hero is and **WHY** in one page.
- Financial need is NOT a consideration

#### 7. The C. L. Luce Memorial Scholarship Fund:

C. Lester Luce was the Coldwater High School Principal from 1968-1977. C. Lester Luce passed in 1980 and a memorial scholarship fund was established in his honor by the Luce family. This scholarship shall be open to a graduating Coldwater High School senior. The recipient shall be selected by the current Coldwater High School principal each year.

#### 8. Coldwater Education Association (CEA) Scholarship:

**(NOTE: Separate Application Required found in CHS Guidance Office)** Applicants must also submit the common scholarship application along with the separate application as it contains the required transcript, test scores, and resume.

Eligible applicants must demonstrate:

- 3.0 GPA
- Strong academics, citizenship, and writing skills.
- 3 (three) letters of recommendation as outlined in application,
- **Personal Narrative Essay (however, this topic chosen for you by the scholarship committee and is found in the separate application)**

#### 9. The CHS Alumni Scholarship:

The CHS Alumni Scholarship was established by the class of 1985 and is funded by donations of Coldwater High School Alumni. The recipient will be a graduating senior and is determined on a combination of scholarship and service to the school.

Eligible applicants must demonstrate:

- 3.2 GPA
- ACT composite of 22 or higher or SAT composite of 1020 or higher
- Student must participate in at least (3) three school based organizations
- Student must participate in volunteer experiences and document that involvement
- **1 additional essay (CHOOSE 1 Topic): A personal essay on leadership with specific examples of your student leadership OR applicants may submit a personal essay on character and how this individual exemplifies high standards of character**
- Statement of future goal
- Financial need is NOT necessarily a consideration in awarding of this scholarship

#### 10. The Coldwater Rotary Club Scholarship:

The Coldwater Rotary Club offers scholarships to qualified graduates of Coldwater High School. Applicants should fill out the common application form and be willing to submit family income information to demonstrate need. This scholarship may be used for any form of higher learning, be it a four-year college, nurses' training school, or a two-year technical school. Main consideration will be given in the following order: ACT, GPA, strength of class schedule, extracurricular activities, and volunteerism.



#### 11. The Coldwater Township Sunrise Rotary Scholarship:

The Rotary's motto is "Service Above Self". The Coldwater Township Sunrise Rotary has a history of supporting that motto by its support of numerous community activities most notably the Branch County Animal Shelter, The Naomi Davis Home, and the AYSO Creal Soccer Complex. The "Sunrise Rotary" makes this scholarship available to deserving graduates of Coldwater High School who plan to continue their education and best exemplify the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self". The funds for this scholarship must be used by the recipient for expenses in obtaining further education through a college, university, community college, or approved trade school.

#### Eligible applicants must demonstrate:

- GPA of 3.0 or above
- Be a graduating senior from Coldwater High School
- Have a documented history of service to the school and the community (submit a detailed list of activities)
- **In addition to the application, please submit a brief (maximum of one page) essay highlighting your commitment to the Rotary International Motto of "Service Above Self".**

The scholarship may not be renewed and must be used within 12 months of receiving the scholarship.

#### 12. The E. Byron Thomas / Axner Olson Memorial Scholarship:

Mr. E. Byron Thomas was a former Coldwater High School Principal and Superintendent. Mr. Axner Olson was Legg Middle School Principal and Business Manager for Coldwater Community Schools. Both families have contributed funds to this scholarship and have requested the name of this scholarship never be changed. The recipient should be a needy, deserving, and worthy student who exhibits sincere desire to enter elementary or secondary education – meaning a career in the K-12 education system. It shall be given to **ONLY** a student demonstrating financial need. Selection shall be made by the family, or if need be, a committee composed of one person from each department at the secondary school.

#### 13. The Jack Gates U of M Memorial Scholarship:

In 1983 the family and friends of Jack Gates inaugurated a scholarship to be awarded in his memory. The recipient must be a graduating senior who plans to attend the University of Michigan and has been accepted there. Selection of the recipient shall be by a member / relative of the Gates family and the high school counselor.

#### 14. The John R. Vance U of M Memorial Fund:

John R. Vance, a 1975 graduate from Coldwater High School, and a 1979 graduate from the University of Michigan, passed away in 1982. A fund in his memory was established by his family and many friends. This award may be used by the recipient to offset matriculation fees, tuition, and other fees for entering and studying at the University of Michigan. Selection is to be made by the superintendent and the high school principal.

#### 15. The Katie Weis Memorial Scholarship:

Katie Weis, age 9, was involved in a tragic accident in September of 2004. She was a very loveable, outgoing, social, and loyal friend to many. With donations from family and friends this scholarship was created in her memory.

#### Eligible applicants must demonstrate:

- GPA of 3.0 or better
- Be a graduating CHS senior
- Have participated in high school athletics and/or extracurricular activities
- Plan to attend a college or university in Michigan
- **In addition: Write a one page or more ESSAY** which highlights an experience from your own life and how it has influenced your development.

Financial need is **NOT** a requirement. This fund will continue to be open for anyone to contribute at any time. Scholarship selection will be made by family members and may be presented to one, or more, recipients who qualify.

**16. The Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel Scholarship:**

The MARSP will be awarding a \$1,000 Scholarship to a **graduating senior** planning to enter the teaching profession. **Applications are to be completed by the student with attached recommendations as to capability and citizenship of the student from a high school teacher or the principal along with an attached record of grades.** The winner will be asked to attend MARSP's April meeting of MARSP with his/her parents for lunch, to be honored by the membership.

**17. The Petzko Family Golf Scholarship:**

The scholarship is offered by the Petzko Family in honor of Jennifer and Megan Petzko and their golf careers at CHS. The scholarship is available to a **graduating senior** who has participated in golf at the varsity level during his or her high school years at CHS. A **one-page essay** on **“How Golf Has Influenced Your Life”** is required with application.

**18. The Pioneer State Mutual Insurance-Branch Insurance Merit Scholarship:**

Available to a CHS Senior pursuing a 4 year degree in a **Business/Management related field**. Must have been accepted to an accredited college or university.

**Eligible applicants must demonstrate:**

- GPA 3.0 minimum
- Display a positive outlook, show compassion, be professional, courteous and approachable
- Good attendance and excellent oral/written communication skills
- Priority will be given to students involved in community and/or extracurricular activities
- Financial need will be taken into consideration

**19. ASTRA Service Club Scholarship:**

New in 2016, the ASTRA Service Club Scholarship will be offered to Senior ASTRA members. Please see any ASTRA advisor or CHS club member for an application.

**20. (\*)(\*\*)The Clement Malovey Scholarship Trust (CB&T):**

Available to Branch County high school seniors and alumni.

Rubric for selection:

**Criteria for selection in order of importance:**

- Scholastic Ability – Must have a minimum 3.0 GPA
- Renewal
- Employment / Difficulty of Course Load / Volunteer Service
- Financial need

Criteria	Points	Total
Quality of Application		5
Renewal		25
Personal Resume	Quality of resume	5
Scholastic Ability	GPA-3.0 minimum	30
Financial Need		10
Employment, Difficulty of Course Load and Volunteer/Service	Maintain at least part time employment 12 months prior to application	25
	Total Points	100

**21. The Percy and Helen Taylor Scholarship Trust (CB&T):**

Annual scholarships shall be awarded as directed by the Trust. Recipient must be a graduate of any high school in Branch County and be a resident of Branch County. **Please include a ONE PAGE personal essay telling why you are deserving of the scholarship.** Trust is handled by the trust department at Century Bank and Trust.

**Criteria in order of importance:**

- Financial need
- Scholastic ability
- Résumé
- Application
- ONE PAGE Essay

Rubric for Selection:

Criteria	Points	Total
Quality of application		10
Personal Resume	Quality of resume	10
Scholastic Ability	GPA	30
Financial Need		50
	Total Points	100

22. (\*)(\*\*) Verbie E. Harkness Memorial Scholarship (CB&T):

Recipient must be a graduate of any high school in Branch County and a resident of Branch County. Scholarships are renewable and prior awardees will be given first consideration for renewal of the scholarship. No more than four awards per student. Award may be used for any type of higher education. Student must maintain a "B" average for preceding academic year. "Primary criterion for initial award shall be financial need, academic achievement and moral character."

Rubric for selection:

Criteria	Points	Total
Quality of application		5
Renewal		40
Personal Resume	Quality of resume	5
Scholastic Ability	GPA	25
Financial Need		15
High Moral Character		10
	Total Points	100

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## Helpful Hints and Reminders

**You will never receive a scholarship if you don't apply!**

You must meet the listed deadlines for each scholarship.

**Turn in your applications on time  
to Mrs. Krzyzanski!**

**BE CAREFUL – COMPLETE ALL SECTIONS CORRECTLY!**

**Use double sided copies**

**Use a CHS cover sheet for EACH CHS scholarship**

**A current year transcript – most recent**

**2 page maximum résumé**

**A genuine Personal Statement that sells YOU!**

## Outside Local and National Scholarships

**A SEPARATE APPLICATION IS NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING SCHOLARSHIPS  
APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE TABLE IN THE GUIDANCE OFFICE or  
ONLINE**

**TIME SENSITIVE: PAY CLOSE ATTENTION AS DEADLINES MAY DIFFER**

A (\*) denotes available to alumni/graduates

**TIP Grant** The Tuition Incentive Program (TIP) provides eligible students tuition assistance for the first 2 years of college and beyond. NOTE: To be eligible, a student **MUST** have or have had Medicaid coverage for 24 months within a 36 consecutive month period between 6<sup>th</sup> grade and 12<sup>th</sup> grade **as identified by the DHS office.** **NOT ALL QUALIFY** for this opportunity, but if you think you meet the eligibility for the TIP grant call 1-888-447-2687 and ask if your name is on the list for TIP or you may also ask about this opportunity in the Guidance Office to verify through the State of Michigan online scholarship portal.

**CHS Interact Club Members** Please see Mr. Scheetz for an application.

**ProMedica Volunteer Scholarship** Various \$1,000 scholarships are open to Branch County residents pursuing a career in a health related field. Complete applications are to be returned to the Volunteer Coordinator's Office at ProMedica (basement of the hospital) no later than 4pm on March 29, 2020. Applications are available in the Guidance Office in January 2020.

**KCC Foundation Scholarships** Applications for Kellogg Community College Foundation scholarships for new and returning KCC students are now available on campus and online at [www.kellogg.edu/student-scholarships](http://www.kellogg.edu/student-scholarships)

Specific recipient criteria and application guidelines for each scholarship are also available online at [www.kellogg.edu/student-scholarships](http://www.kellogg.edu/student-scholarships).

Physical KCC Foundation 2019-2020 Scholarships booklets including Gold Key, KCC Foundation and KCC Trustee scholarship information and applications are also available in the KCC Foundation office on KCC's North Avenue campus, 450 North Ave., Battle Creek, and in area high school counseling offices in late December or January.

For more information, contact Teresa Durham, executive director of the KCC Foundation, at 269-965-4161 or visit [www.kellogg.edu/foundation](http://www.kellogg.edu/foundation).

### **Eagles Auxiliary #1907:**

Applicants must have a parent or grandparent of applicant be a member in good standing for at least one year of Coldwater Eagles # 1907 in order to be eligible. In addition to the application, applicants must provide a list of Eagle participation and or community service/volunteer work, a typed personal essay of 400 words or more by the applicant regarding his/her professional goals and aspirations, three letters of recommendation, two of which need to be from a respectable source of your current school and one must come from a non-school source, copies of any news clippings, awards, achievements, and any other pertinent information regarding your worthiness for consideration, most current photograph of the graduate (if possible a Senior portrait) which will be used for publicity purposes of the scholarship recipients. Applicants are asked to please submit all pages bound together in a report folder. Applications must be mailed or returned in a sealed envelope to the Coldwater Eagles #1907 attention Scholarship Chairperson by the close of the business day on **April 1, 2020** to the Eagles at 331 Butter Ave, Coldwater, MI 49036. Questions call 517-279-8611.

### **MEA Scholarship:**

Only dependents of MEA members or MEA-Retired members in good standing are eligible for the MEA Scholarship. Recipients of this scholarship MUST be current seniors attending a public or private school listed on the application. Applications are now available in the Guidance Office or by going to: [www.mea.org/mea-scholarship](http://www.mea.org/mea-scholarship) where you then must print the completed application and mail it in. Only written or printed applications will be accepted (none accepted by fax or electronic methods). The deadline to apply is **February 20, 2020** (application MUST be in the MEA hands on this date). Priority will be given on the basis of Academic Achievement, Extra Curricular Activities, School and Community Service, Students from Lower Income Households.

### **Rosa Parks Scholarship Foundation:** *\*\*Available January 1, 2020*

A \$2,000 non-renewable scholarship is offered to graduating seniors. Winners selected on the basis of scholarship, leadership, financial need, and dedication to the civil rights principles of Rosa L. Parks. Minimum 2.5 GPA required. Must provide financial need, completed application, essay, document community service, confirmation of acceptance into a college/university, transcript and ACT/SAT scores, 2 letters of recommendation – one from school, one from community). DEADLINE: Submit online by **March, 2020**. Download the application and receive more information on their website: [www.rosaparksscholarshipfoundation.org](http://www.rosaparksscholarshipfoundation.org)

### **Michiana Two-Cylinder Club:**

A \$2,000 annual scholarship is to be awarded to a high school senior living in the Greater Michiana Area. Applicants must be pursuing a degree in an agricultural-related field, have 3 letters of recommendation, and submit an essay and a photo. More information available by contacting Robert Gunn, Scholarship Chairman, [269-240-8760](tel:269-240-8760) or at [robert.gunn@boschrexroth-us.com](mailto:robert.gunn@boschrexroth-us.com). Applications must be postmarked no later than **March 31, 2020**.

**Ceres Solutions (formerly North Central CO-OP) Scholarship:** A \$1,000 scholarship is available through Ceres Solutions (formerly North Central Co-Op) for any high school senior residing within the communities served by Ceres Solutions who demonstrates leadership through 4H, FFA, or volunteering. This is a one time award.. Applications can be downloaded at: <https://www.ceres.coop/CeresSolutions/media/Content/LM%20CONTENT/Ceres-SCHOL-APP-high-school-2020.pdf>. Applicants must be a high school senior, must submit a 500 word essay describing how 4-H, FFA, or another experience or volunteer opportunity has inspired you, prepared you for a future career or helped develop your leadership skills. Additional requirements included with application. Applicant MUST submit the application ONLINE. Applications must be completed online **by March 1, 2020**.

**The Islamic Society of North America:** Multiple Scholarships ranging from: \$500 - \$4,000. CRITERIA: Available to graduating Muslim students entering in their Freshmen year of college, based on merit and academic achievement, minimum 3.0 GPA, open to any area of study. DEADLINE: **March 15, 2020**. More information at [www.isna.net](http://www.isna.net) under "Services" tab or by emailing the ISNACares Team at [info@isna.net](mailto:info@isna.net).

**The Michigan Retailers Association** The Michigan Retailers Association may possibly award up to 30 scholarships @ \$1,000 - \$1,500 each to any student who is employed – or whose parent is employed – at a business that is a member of MRA. Students are encouraged to apply online at <https://www.retailers.com/member-benefits/scholarship-program/> or can request a hard copy application by calling 1-800-366-3699 ext. 346. Applications must be submitted **by April 1, 2020**. More information regarding the eligibility requirements can also be found at their website.

**Wal-Mart** Wal-Mart has various scholarships available ranging from \$2,000.00 to \$10,000.00 for its associates and the children of its associates. Must prove financial need and meet minimum ACT/SAT score requirements. There is also a Community Scholarship worth \$1,000 for non-associates. Applicants must have a GPA of 2.0 or higher and meet a minimum ACT score. Applications must be taken to a local Wal-Mart store or can be submitted online at <http://programs.applyists.com/walmartdependent/> Applications will be open online starting in January 2020. Deadline: Wal-Mart Dependent Scholarships are due **April 3, 2020**.

**\*Marshall Community Foundation** is currently offering 5 scholarships to Branch county seniors:

- 1) The UAW Local 220 Scholarship for Barry, Branch, Calhoun, and Eaton Counties for students who plan to attend a trade school, community college and/or a four year institution. Qualifying applicants must demonstrate financial need, leadership skills, involvement in the community and extracurricular activities. Preference given to applicants related to UAW members or retirees.
- 2) The Rolland J. and Dorothea R. Face Christian Ministry Service College Scholarship for students who have received Jesus Christ as his/her Savior and plan to pursue a full time career in Ministry. Must attend specific Christian colleges listed in the application.
- 3) The Ron Glant Memorial Art Scholarship for students at Coldwater on EVEN graduation years who plan to continue studies in visual arts at a four year college, community college or trade school. GPA is NOT a determining factor.
- 4) Karissa "Kari Hamaker Performing Arts Scholarship for those seeking a degree in Performing Arts. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. GPA is not a qualifying factor.
- 5) Michael L. Hamaker Memorial Scholarship for those interested in a career in engineering, manufacturing, or industrial technologies in programs such as, but not limited to, architecture, construction, drafting, electronics, welding, or other related technologies. Applicants must demonstrate financial need. GPA is not a qualifying factor.

**Deadline for all scholarships to apply is March 1, 2020.** Criteria and application information can be found at [www.marshallcf.org](http://www.marshallcf.org), by calling the Foundation Office at 1-269-781-2273, or applications can be found in the CHS Guidance Office.

### **ThanksUSA Scholarship Program Opening April, 2020**

ThanksUSA "thanks" the men and women of the United States Armed Forces by awarding need-based college, technical and vocational school scholarships for their children and spouses.

Most recipients will receive awards of \$3,000 to use for qualified educational expenses. Applicants must be the spouse or the dependent child (age 24 or younger) of a U.S. military service member who served at least 180 days active duty after 9/11/2001. Applicants must also be high school seniors, high school graduates or college/technical school undergraduates with a minimum 2.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale. (Spouses may also use the award for non-degree licensure and certification programs regardless of whether an undergraduate degree has already been completed.) To check your eligibility and apply, please visit [thanksusa.org](http://thanksusa.org).

**2020 Kelsey's Law Distracted Driving Awareness Scholarship:** In April, \$5,000 worth of scholarships will be awarded to Michigan students. Applicants are asked to submit a persuasive message that shows how you would convince young drivers to reduce distractions while driving. Messages may be in the form of a video, graphic or Tweet that resonates with teens and influences their driving behavior. Entries will be judged and critiqued on the following factors: ***\*Limit one type of submission per student.***

- Ability to persuade others, especially teen drivers, to stop texting while driving.
- Ability to grab the attention of your friends, peers and family.
- A clear and understandable message.
- Demonstration of your personal creativity and ingenuity.

Awards will be applied toward tuition at any university, college or technical school in the U.S. for higher education. Funds will be sent directly to the school within one year of the scholarship deadline.

### **Who may apply:**

Open to 11th and 12th grade students (Class of 2020 and 2021) attending any public or private Michigan high school (finalists will be required to provide proof of enrollment with a student I.D. or transcript). Applicant must be a Michigan resident with a valid Michigan driver's license.

If under the age of 18 by April 15, 2020, a parental consent form must be signed by a parent or guardian if you are selected as a finalist. **Deadline to apply online: March 31, 2020.** For more information visit:

<https://www.michiganautolaw.com/scholarships/kelseys-law/#REG>

**Fred and Lena Meijer Scholarship:** The application will be available December 1, 2019 and will be due March 1, 2020 for the 2020-2021 academic year. Employees with a start date on or before March 1, 2019 are eligible to apply beginning December 1, 2019. You will need to

1. Provide a Meijer Employment Start Date, Unit Number, and Employee ID
2. Complete all questions including the essay
3. Provide a copy of your academic transcript (unofficial is acceptable)
4. Provide financial information from your FAFSA and college financial aid office

For more information visit: <https://meijerscholarship.egrant.net/login.aspx?PIID=147&OID=107>

**The Dream U.S. National Scholarship:** This is considered like the “Pell Grant” for highly motivated DREAMers with significant, unmet financial need. Amounts awarded will be based on the cost of tuition and fees on your enrollment status (i.e., number of credits). **Deadline: February 28, 2020**

Eligibility Criteria:

- Must have DACA or TPS or certify that you meet the immigration eligibility criteria;
- Must have come to the US before reaching your 16th birthday;
- Have significant unmet financial need.

To apply and view the official rules for details: Online at <https://www.thedream.us/scholarships/national-scholarship/>

**Hispanic Scholarship Fund:** ***\*\*Opening January 1, 2020***

A scholarship designed to assist students of Hispanic heritage to obtain a college degree. Awards are based on merit; amounts range from \$500 to \$5,000, based on relative need.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- Must be of Hispanic heritage;
- Have a minimum of 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale for high school students;
- Have a minimum of 2.5 GPA on a 4.0 scale for college or graduate students;
- Plan to enroll full-time in an accredited, not-for-profit, 4-year university, or graduate school, during the Fall of a scholarship cycle (year);
- Be a US citizen, permanent legal resident, DACA, or eligible non-citizen (as defined by FAFSA);
- Complete FAFSA or state-based financial aid application (if applicable).

All majors and graduate fields accepted, but an emphasis is given to STEM majors.

**Deadline: February 2020**

To Apply: Online at <https://www.hsf.net/scholarship>

**Foster Care to Success Scholarships:** ***\*\*Opening January 1, 2020***

Undergraduate scholarships ranging from \$2,500 – \$5,000 based on a combination of need and merit. Renewable for up to five years if the student remains compliant with program requirements.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

- Must have been in public or private foster care for the 12 consecutive months leading up to and including their 18th birthday; OR have been adopted or placed into legal guardianship after their 16th birthday; OR have been orphaned for at least one year at the time of their 18th birthday and not subsequently adopted
- Be under the age of 25 on March 31 of the year in which they apply if they have not previously received scholarship funding from Foster Care to Success
- Have been in foster care or orphaned while living in the US. US citizenship is not required.
- Have been accepted into or expect to be accepted into an accredited, Pell-eligible college or other postsecondary school.

**Deadline: March 31 annually**

To Apply: Online at <https://www.fc2success.org/our-programs/information-for-students/>

**Please check with the daily bulletin  
for any future scholarships to be announced**



## **Branch Area Careers Center Opportunities**

**Due March 6, 2020 3:00pm**

Scholarship Application Information located at: [www.branch-isd.org](http://www.branch-isd.org)

CHS students who have never attended BACC may apply for the Smith River Farms, and Branch Agri-Business Council "Farmer's Day" scholarships. All other scholarships require attendance in a BACC program. Applications are available through BACC counselors and program managers. The common application is used for these scholarships. A BACC cover sheet must be used for these scholarships.

### Scholarships Awarded in Affiliation with the Branch Area Careers Center

1. Branch Area Career Center Student Endowment Fund Scholarship
2. Branch Area Careers Center Youth Club Council Scholarship
3. Bernie Behnke Scholarship
4. Branch Agri-Business "Farmer's Day" Scholarship
5. Branch Intermediate Organization (BIO) Scholarship
6. CBPU Electrical Technology Scholarship
7. Century Bank and Trust – BMMT Scholarship
8. Coldwater Car Show and Swap Meet Scholarship
9. David Atkins Memorial Scholarship – Criminal Justice
10. Deputy Sarah Irene Haylett-Jones Memorial Scholarship – Criminal Justice
11. Exchange Club Scholarship
12. Branch Area Career Center FFA Alumni Scholarship
13. Gordon Bowerman Agricultural Scholarship
14. Grand Vista Healthcare Scholarship – Health Science
15. Haylett's North Country BMMT Scholarship
16. Health Academy/Student Extern Scholarship
17. Jennifer Hoard/Kate Rasler Memorial Scholarship – Early Education
18. Kendall Electric Industrial Scholarship
19. Lindsey Rockwell Memorial Scholarship – Education Academy
20. Skills USA CAD/CAM Scholarship
21. Smith River Farms Memorial Scholarship
22. Southern Michigan Bank and Trust Scholarship
23. Stacy L. Weaver Memorial Auto Tech Scholarship

**Please be sure to include a cover sheet and all associated  
documentation with your application.**

**Applications are due**

**March 6, 2020 at 3:00p.m.**

**If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact the  
Branch Area Careers Center Student Services Department  
at (517) 279-5729.**

**Note:** The scholarship must be processed and all funds must be used within 1 year of being awarded. After the 1 year deadline, unused funds will remain in the scholarship account and will no longer be available to the awarded student. If student switches schools, scholarship funds can be transferred from one post-secondary education institution to another a maximum of two times.



## 2019-20 Scholarship Summary

### **Need Based Scholarships (Financial need Required OR Considered)**

**CHS:** American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Scholarship, Coldwater Early Bird Exchange Club Scholarship, Coldwater Noon Exchange Club Scholarship, Branch County Association of Realtors Scholarship, Clement Malovey Scholarship Trust (CBT), Coldwater Rotary Club Scholarship, E. Byron Thomas/Axner Olson Scholarship, The Percy and Helen Taylor Scholarship Trust (CBT), Verbie E. Harkness Memorial Scholarship (CBT).

### **Scholarships NOT Dependent on Need**

**CHS:** CEA Scholarship, CHS Class of 1981 Scholarship, Jillian Crist Memorial Scholarship, C.L. Luce Scholarship, CHS Alumni Scholarship, Coldwater Township Sunrise Rotary Scholarship, The Jack Gates/U of M Scholarship, The John Vance/U of M Scholarship, The Katie Weis Memorial Scholarship, The MARSP Scholarship, The Petzko Family Golf Scholarship

### **Renewable Scholarships**

**CHS:** Jillian Crist Memorial Scholarship, Clement Malovey Scholarship Trust (CBT), Verbie E. Harkness Memorial Scholarship (CBT)

### **Available to Alumni, High School Graduates, or Adults**

**CHS:** American Legion Auxiliary Poppy Scholarship, Coldwater Early Bird Exchange Scholarship, Clement Malovey Scholarship Trust (CBT), Verbie E. Harkness Memorial Scholarship (CBT)

## 2019-20 Scholarship Checklist

### Did I:

- Read the scholarship descriptions CAREFULLY
- Apply for ONLY those scholarships in which I qualify
- Make SURE I met ALL criteria for the scholarship in which I am applying
- My application is FREE OF ERRORS
- Include a cover sheet for CHS applications
- Include a separate Cover Sheet for the Century Bank and Trust Scholarships
- Copy all documents double-sided (back to back)
- Make a list of the scholarships I turn in for MYSELF to keep

### Do I have my:

- Common Application for local scholarships
- SAR/Financial Information
- Résumé
- Recommendation Form
- Letter(s) of Recommendation (if additional required by the individual donors)
- Most Recent Transcript with ACT Scores
- Any OTHER Documents called for by the Individual Donors

## Resources

- Coldwater High School Guidance Office, Jessica Krzyzanski  
Phone: (517) 279-5932 ext. 7014 Email: [krzyjl@ccscards.org](mailto:krzyjl@ccscards.org)  
Website with scholarship link: [www.coldwaterschools.org/chs](http://www.coldwaterschools.org/chs)
- Branch County Community Foundation  
Phone: (517) 278-4517 Email: [info@brcofoundation.org](mailto:info@brcofoundation.org)  
Office: Basement of Southern Michigan Bank & Trust Conference Center  
2 W. Chicago Street, Coldwater, Michigan  
Website with scholarship link: [www.brcofoundation.org](http://www.brcofoundation.org)
- Branch Area Careers Center, Josie Smith  
Phone: (517) 279-5729 Email: [SmithJ@branch-isd.org](mailto:SmithJ@branch-isd.org)  
Website with scholarship link: <http://branchisd.org/bacc/bacc-scholarships>