1. Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute Scholarship  
   http://www.chci.org/
2. Dell Scholars Program  
   http://www.dellscholars.org/
3. Coca Cola Scholars Program  
   http://www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org/applicants/
4. Ronald McDonald House Charities (RMHC) U.S Scholarships  
   http://rmhc.org/what-we-do/rmhc-u-s-scholarships/
5. Walmart Foundation Scholarship Programs  
   http://walmartstores.com/communitygiving/8736.aspx
6. Irene S. Wischer Scholarship  
   https://www.frostbank.com/wischerscholarship/Pages/default.aspx
7. Buick Achievers Scholarship Program  
   http://www.buickachievers.com/home
8. TG’s Charley Wootan Grant Program  
   http://www.aie.org/wootan/index.cfm
9. TADC (Texas Association of Developing Colleges) Urban Scholarship Fund  
   http://www.txadc.org/index.php?pr=Scholarships
10. Texas Student Housing  
    http://www.texasstudenthousing.net/index.php?ln=en&pg=home
11. Asian & Pacific Islander American Scholarship Fund  
    http://apiasf.org/scholarship_apiasf.html
12. Texas Legislative Black Caucus Conference Scholarship  
    https://www.starsscholarship.org/
    http://www.questbridge.org
15. STISD Foundation Scholarship  
    http://www.stisdeducationfoundation.org/scholarships
    OPEN: Varies  DEADLINE—March 2018
16. Church’s Scholars Program  
    Open: January 2018  DEADLINE: February 15, 2018

WAYS TO FIND SCHOLARSHIPS!

1. The Internet  
   Free Scholarship Search fastweb.com  
   University Websites
2. The Public Library  
   The reference section of the library is an excellent place to begin.  
   There you’ll find books such as the Annual Register of Grant Support  
   and other scholarship reference books.

As you begin your scholarship search, keep the following areas in mind:

1. Talents/Abilities. These include academic, athletic, musical and other talents.  
Many scholarships are awarded based on these factors.
2. Activities/Honors. Any awards you have received pertaining to your interests—from trophies to  
   certificates of merit—count here. You’ll be better off if you become very involved in a particular on-campus club,  
   by organizing the group’s activities.
3. References. You’ll need to obtain these from your counselor, teachers, community members, or other professionals who know you well (but not family members).

Essay. For a scholarship competition, you probably will have to write a one-to two-page essay.  
Be sure to answer the particular question posed on the application form; don’t bring up unrelated subjects or use a generic essay. Before you turn in your essay,  
have a teacher proof read it.

The scholarship process requires time, work, and dedication on the part of both students and parents. Your responsibilities include:

1. Investigating scholarships via books, the Internet (see “Useful Web Sites” in the this handout), or computerized scholarship search programs.
2. Contacting the Financial Aid Officer (s) of the colleges you are considering attending.
3. Listening carefully to announcements made via the intercom & school emails, then sharing that information with your parents and investigating applicable scholarships—naming deadlines for applications, procedures, and all necessary information.
4. Requesting letters of recommendation from teachers, coaches, counselors, employers, and other qualified adults in a timely manner (at least 2 weeks in advance).
5. Requesting a copy of your transcript in a timely manner (at least 1 week before you need it).
6. Completing applications in a timely manner.
7. Submitting your completed scholarship applications to the University and/or Organization at least 2 days before the application deadline. This will ensure proper processing and record keeping.
**SCHOLARSHIPS**

1. **Horatio Alger Association Scholarship**— critical financial need ($55,000 or less adjusted gross income per family is preferred, if higher explanation must be provided). Involvement in extra-curricular and community activities. Demonstrated integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity, a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 and a United States Citizen. https://scholars.horatioalger.org/scholarships/about-our-scholarship-programs/
   **DEADLINE:** October 25, 2017.

2. **Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation Scholarship**— US Citizens, US Nationals; US Permanent Residents; Refugees; Asylees; Cuban-Haitian entrants; or Humanitarian Paroles. Minimum 3.0 GPA at the end of their junior year of high school. Applicants may not be children or grandchildren of employees, officers or owners of Coca-Cola bottling companies, The Coca-Cola Company, Company divisions or subsidiaries. www.coca-colascholars.org
   **DEADLINE:** October 31, 2017

3. **Valley Alliance of Mentors for Opportunities and Scholarships (VAMOS)**— Applicants must be of Hispanic heritage, a US citizen or legal permanent resident with a permanent resident with a social security number. Be a high school senior graduating from a high school in Hidalgo, Starr, or Cameron County, Texas. Must be a resident of the county for at least 5 consecutive years prior to application. Rank in the Top 30% of the high school graduation class. Have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale or 80 on a 100 scale. Meet minimum ACT/SAT requirements established by the college/university of your choice. MUST apply for federal financial aid by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). www.vamosscholars.org
   **DEADLINE:** April 1, 2018

4. **Hispanic Scholarship Fund—General College Scholarship Fund**— Applicants must be of Hispanic heritage, a US citizen or legal permanent resident with a permanent resident card or passport stamped I-551 (not expired). Minimum GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale. MUST apply for federal financial aid by completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Be pursuing a first undergraduate or graduate degree.
   www.hsf.net
   **Opens:** January 2018
   **DEADLINE:** April 2018

5. **Gates Scholarship**— The Gates Scholarship is a highly selective, full scholarship for exceptional, Pell-eligible, minority, high school seniors. **OPENS:** July 14, 2017
   **DEADLINE:** Sept. 15, 2017.
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6. **UT Austin**—Apply with scholarship link on Apply Texas. Scholarships have varying requirements. https://admissions.utexas.edu/afford/undergrad-scholarships
   **DEADLINE:** December 1, 2017

7. **Texas A&M University**—College Station: Apply with scholarship link on Apply Texas. https://scholarships.tamu.edu/FRESHMEN/How-To-Apply#0—CompletingtheApplyTexasScholarshipApplication
   **DEADLINE:** December 1, 2017

8. **UTSA Scholarships**—Apply for the General Scholarship application through Apply Texas link.
   **DEADLINE:** January 1, 2018
   **Top Scholar Scholarship**—apply at www.topscholar.utsa.edu
   **DEADLINE:** December 1, 2017
   **Terry Scholarship**— Application available through Honors College
   **DEADLINE:** December 1, 2017
   **DEADLINE:** January 1, 2018

9. **STARS Scholarship Fund**—Be a US Citizen or legal permanent resident with a permanent resident card or passport stamped I-551, be a permanent resident (5 or more consecutive years) of and have a permanent South or West Texas Address in one of our 31 counties, have earned/completed at least 12 undergraduate credit hours at a US accredited college or university before applying for the scholarship. Have a minimum college GPA of 2.7 on a 4.0 scale, have completed a high school diploma or its equivalent prior to the Fall of the new academic year, and be enrolled in a US accredited 2yr or 4 yr university seeking a degree. **Website:** www.StarsScholarship.org
   **Email:** info@StarsScholarship.org or helpdesk@StarsScholarship.org
   **OPENS:** January 1, 2018  **DEADLINE:** March 31, 2018

10. **Texas Tech University**—Apply for General Scholarships through Apply Texas link.
    **DEADLINE:** December 1, 2017
    **Freshman Scholarships**—Apply at www.scholarships.ttu.edu
    **DEADLINE:** December 1, 2017

11. **Texas State University**—Highly competitive, apply through the Apply Texas Link.
    **DEADLINE:** Must be admitted to Texas State by December 15, 2017