

SCHOLARSHIP RESOURCE PACKET

WHAT YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships are not to be looked at as a replacement for federal student grants or loans. However, do not overlook their advantages. Many scholarships go unclaimed because students thought they couldn't win, didn't make the time, or missed important deadlines and application requirements.

Virginia Marti College Foundation Scholarship

WHO MAY APPLY?

Any student, regardless of age, race, gender, or design major who has been accepted and enrolled into VMCAD may submit an application. Scholarships will be announced at the start of the Fall Term 2014.

Scholarship Guidelines for students applying for the VMCF Scholarship:

- GPA of at least 2.8 (for high school students who have graduated within the last three years) OR resume (for adult students out of school three years or longer).
- Three letters of recommendation required, on business letterhead, unless coming from a friend. One must be from an employer; one from a high school or college faculty member. The third letter can be an individual of your choosing (no relation). * If applicant is a home schooled graduate, submit letters from individuals who have played an active role in your education. *If applicant is an adult student out of school three years or longer, provide two letters from present or past employers and one from an individual of your choosing (no relation).
 - Demonstrate financial need (not reflected on your most recent FAFSA) OR outstanding skill (Include photos of portfolio samples).

Application and all required documents must be submitted and postmarked by September 4, 2015. *INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE DENIED.

Return application to: Virginia Marti College Foundation /Attention: Dennis Marti c/o Virginia Marti College of Art and Design11724 Detroit Ave., Lakewood, Ohio 44107

Scholarships for Students still attending High School

The Scholastic Art & Writing Scholarship

Virginia Marti College of Art and Design will award up to one \$8000 scholarship (\$1000 per academic quarter) based on completion of admissions requirements, academic merit, and portfolio review.

Requirements:

- Applicant must enroll as a full time student
- Minimum GPA 3.0
- Essay directed to Mrs. Virginia Marti Veith, President of VMCAD, on why field of interest was chosen
- Two letters of recommendation
- Scholarship renewable quarterly for a total of \$8000 <u>http://www.artandwriting.org/</u>
 Deadline: Decision of high school art department

DECA Scholarship

DECA is an organization for students enrolled in Marketing Education. It is designed to promote a total program of activities, which develop leadership, teamwork skills and individual growth. DECA is the only national student organization operating in the nation's schools to attract young people to careers in marketing, finance, hospitality, management, and entrepreneurship. This scholarship is available to students who participate in the DECA program while attending high school. More details and application are available through student's high school guidance department.

Scholarship Banks and Online Resources

Stufund.com: <u>www.stufund.com</u> and <u>www.collegetoolkit.com</u>

Students can create a comprehensive profile on this website to find scholarships that are most relevant to them. This college scholarship database is constantly revised, providing students with the most up-to-date scholarship information. You can also search scholarships based on geography, heritage/religion, extracurricular activities/employment, and family affiliations (parents' employers and organizations). A really great resource

Scholarships.com: <u>www.scholarships.com</u>

At this website, you can create a profile and get personalized information on college scholarships and grants that match you! This college scholarship database is updated constantly, offering the most current, relevant and accurate college scholarship opportunities. Here you will find scholarships based on your academics, talents, and interests.

College Board- Connect to College Success: <u>www.collegeboard.com</u>

- Planning tools, college search, paying for college, and online PROFILE form, promotes College Board Publications and programs.
- This site provides online tools to help you locate scholarships, internships, grants, and loans that match your education level, talents, and background. Complete the brief questionnaire and Scholarship Search to find potential opportunities. They have a database of more than 2,300 sources of college funders, totaling nearly \$3 BILLION in available aid!
- Follow this link to go directly to the "Paying for College" section: <u>http://apps.collegeboard.com/cbsearch_ss/welcome.jsp</u>

College Net: <u>www.collegenet.com</u>

- o Planning tools/checklists, scholarship information, college search, and financial planning.
- This site is committed to help students and parents break the tuition barrier! On this site, you can look for scholarships that match your *personal profile*. Provide as little or as much information as you want to find the scholarships that you are most qualified to receive.

College-Scholarships.com:

http://www.collegescholarships.com/

This site provides links to more than 40 free online scholarship search sites listing thousands of scholarships and financial aid awards worth billions of dollars. Just visit the sites that seem most appropriate for you, and find the scholarships for which you are a good match.

Free-4u Scholarships: <u>http://www.free-4u.com/</u>

There are several main categories to choose from here. They do have a state-by-state listing as well. To view various scholarships for Ohio residents go to: <u>http://www.free-4u.com/ohio_resident_scholarhships.htm</u>

SallieMae Scholarship Search:

http://www.collegeanswer.com/paying/scholarship_search/pay_scholarship_search.jsp

- This site is a large search engine that is continuously updated. It provides personalized scholarship information sorted according to academic level, population group, and subject.
- After students fill out a personal profile specific scholarships are filtered to fit students unique profile and areas of educational interest.

College Scholarships for Students with Disabilities

Disability Scholarships US <u>http://www.disabilityscholarships.us/college-scholarships-for-students-with-disabilities/</u>

• A wide range of scholarships can be accessed for students that are Hearing Impaired, Blind, Visually Impaired, or have various Learning Disabilities.

Virginia Marti College of Art & Design's Offices of Student Accounts and Financial Aid are constantly researching additional scholarship opportunities for our students. As new scholarship opportunities are made available for our students, we will send out scholarship emails to all of our active students. Please check your VMCAD emails for these updates.

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