

# Senior Informational Packet

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# **SENIOR CLASS**



**In order to send out official transcripts to colleges and NCAA, you MUST send them out through Parchment.com. Parchment is a service that sends out transcripts electronically.**

## **HOW TO REGISTER:**

- Go to [parchment.com](http://parchment.com)
- Choose a password and provide your email address (required).
- Select the colleges you are applying to (Parchment has their addresses).
- Sign off and if required, pay the fee for out-of-state transcript.

**NO TRANSCRIPTS WILL BE SENT FROM THE EDESEL FORD COUNSELING OFFICE.**



# **THE ADMISSIONS TIMELINE**

Not only do you have to decide which colleges to apply to and complete the application process for each one of your list, but you also need to decide which admissions option you will select for the colleges of your choice. The most common admissions process is regular decision, followed by three early-admission possibilities: early action, single-choice early action, and early decision. The advantage of applying early admission is that you have a better chance of being accepted. Colleges prefer applicants who want to attend their school. If you are a borderline applicant, this can mean the difference between getting in and not getting in.

## **Regular decision**

Colleges usually send out their decisions for regular decision admissions no later than April 1. You are required to accept the admissions offer of the college of your choice in writing (using a standardized form – the candidate response letter – accompanying your acceptance letter) by May 1. You are also required to send a deposit (usually between \$200 and \$500) at this time.

## **Early action**

Of the three early admission possibilities, early action is the best deal in terms of keeping your options open. You can find out in December or January whether or not a school is admitting you, but you don't have to give a response until the general candidate reply date on May 1.

There are only two reasons not to take advantage of this program. If you think your senior-year fall semester grades will be better than your junior-year grades, or if you want another shot at any of the standardized tests, you should wait to apply.

## **Single-choice early action**

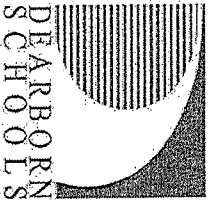
Next in preference in the early admissions category is the single-choice early action. Like standard early action, this option doesn't require you to give the school your decision until May, but unlike standard early action, the single-choice plan allows you to apply early to only one school. The most competitive schools – like Harvard, Stanford, and Yale – offer single-choice early action.

## **Early decision**

The worst of the three in terms of keeping your options open is early decision. The reason it is the worst is that if you are admitted, you are required to attend. For this same reason, colleges are more likely to accept early-decision applicants. This is because colleges are certain that early-decision applicants want to attend and are not just applying early to get ahead of the rush. Next in terms of likelihood of acceptance is single-choice early action, with early action coming in third.

## **How early decision affects your financial aid package**

If you are looking for financial aid, early decision can get you into some real trouble, because you are stuck with whatever financial aid the school offers you. Since you are required to withdraw your other applications, you won't have the opportunity to do any comparison-shopping in terms of financial aid packages, and you won't have any other financial aid offers with which to negotiate a better deal.



**STUDENT VOLUNTARY COMMUNITY SERVICE LOG**  
**(please print with blue or black ink)**

School Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Semester      I      II

(circle one)

NAME	SCHOOL	Student Number	Circle Current Grade Level
			9 10 11 12

1. Indicate MONTH that the service took place.
2. Group same activities for that month with total hours and 1 verification signature
3. Add up all hours for grand total
4. Submit service log to the school counseling office

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**Total Hours Volunteered** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE SUBMITTED** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student:** If you want a copy of this for your records, duplicate before submitting.

# College Preparation Checklist (Senior Year)

## August - October

- ☐ Start off your senior year by meeting with your counselor again. Confirm you're on track to graduate and make sure you are comfortable with your progress in the college selection process. DON'T be afraid to ask for help. Your counselor will be more than happy to assist you if you don't know something or need help in any way. If you are able to, take dual-enrollment classes to get a jumpstart on college and get some credits.
- ☐ In August/September, sign up for the SAT/ACT if you aren't satisfied with your score. This will be your last chance to take the standardized test before November early admissions deadlines for colleges. Your goal should be to apply to at least one college, university, or trade school by October 31<sup>st</sup>.
- ☐ Complete your FAFSA application. The process starts on October 1<sup>st</sup>. The sooner you complete the application, the better. After completing your application, you will know how much financial aid you are eligible to receive for college.
- ☐ Start getting your application materials ready. Discuss the list of items needed with your counselor if you are having trouble getting everything organized.
- ☐ Start asking teachers for letters of recommendation that will be used in your college application. Make sure you give the teachers time to complete the recommendation, and DON'T wait until the last minute to ask for them. There will be a google form that you will email to your teacher to assist them in writing your letter of recommendation.
- ☐ Start researching financial aid opportunities and if you qualify for scholarships that your list of colleges offer. You want to make sure you are financially capable of attending the colleges you may end up getting accepted into. Most scholarships are determined by a combination of GPA and standardized test scores. However, there are some scholarships that are given based on financial need and other criteria.
- ☐ Now that you know your financial aid and the scholarships you qualify for, narrow down your list of colleges further. Don't be afraid to aim for top tier schools. The worst that could happen is not getting accepted. It is better to aim higher, than to settle for less.
- ☐ Write your personal statement and any other essays for your college applications. Be sure to get them reviewed by your counselor or another teacher. You want to make sure

your essay and personal statements are well written, and that there are no grammar/spelling mistakes.

- ❑ Make sure your final college list that you're interested in is organized. All colleges have different application deadlines. Some colleges have deadlines as early as November! You do not want to miss the deadline for an application. Don't be afraid to ask your counselor for assistance in organizing your list and getting prepared to complete the college applications in a timely manner.

## November – June

- ❑ Complete your Common Application, but also make sure the individual colleges you are interested in don't have additional application requirements (personal statements, essays, etc.).
- ❑ Organize and review your college acceptance letters. Compare tuition costs, campus life, program strengths, and other factors to help you choose the right one. Feel free to ask your counselor, family, or other faculty members for advice on your decision. However, this is YOUR decision to make. DON'T choose a college because someone told you to.
- ❑ DON'T stop trying your best in school. Just because you may get accepted into the college of your choice, doesn't mean you should slack off the rest of senior year. Colleges will still want to see your final grades for the second semester as well.
- ❑ Finish off your senior year STRONG! Make sure to enjoy your last semester and prepare yourself for the college journey ahead. May 1<sup>st</sup> is the date most colleges require a deposit and commitment, so you have some time to make your final college decision. Make sure to request that your final transcript be sent to the college you will be attending.
- ❑ CONGRATULATIONS!! You completed the college selection process and graduated high school. We all wish you great success in college and beyond.



## College Application Checklist Keep Track of Your Applications

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Use this college application checklist and stay on top of your application tasks, paperwork, and deadlines.

Application Checklist	College 1	College 2	College 3
<b>Applications</b>			
Request info./application			
Regular application deadline			
Early application deadline			
Safety? Regular? Reach?			
<b>Grades</b>			
Request h.s. transcript sent			
Request midyear grade reports sent			
<b>Test Scores</b>			
SAT® required			
SAT Subject Tests™ required			
Release SAT Subject Test Scores			
Send SAT Scores			
Send AP® Grades			
<b>Letters of Recommendation</b>			
Request recommendations			
Send Thank You notes			
<b>Essays</b>			
Write essay/s			
Proof essay/s for spelling and grammar			
Have two people read your essay/s			
<b>Interviews</b>			
Interview at college			
Alumni interview			
Send Thank You notes to interviewer/s			
<b>Send and Track Your Application</b>			
Make copies of all application materials			

Apply online			
Include application fee			
Sign application			
Confirm receipt of application materials			
Send supplemental material, if needed			
<b>Financial Aid Forms</b>			
Priority financial aid deadline			
Regular financial aid deadline			
Mail FAFSA			
Mail PROFILE, if needed			
Mail institutional aid form, if needed			
Mail state aid form, if needed			
<b>After You Send Your Application</b>			
Receive admission letter			
Receive financial aid award letter			
Send deposit			
Good luck!			



# EXPLORING OPTIONS BESIDES COLLEGE

There are plenty of career opportunities for high school graduates who don't want (or aren't ready) to pursue college after high school. Here are some tips for finding employment directly after high school.

- \* Discuss employment options with your counselor, given your special talents and abilities
- \* Ask to “job shadow” at a local business to get a feel for the environment and expectations in jobs that pique your interest
- \* You can also ask your counselor about vocational and technical programs offered at your high school or nearby providers
- \* Military – You can gain real world job skills & scholarship opportunities
- \* If you're already working, look into higher-level jobs with your current employer
- \* Look for apprenticeships and other job training opportunities
- \* Complete list of Trade Schools in Michigan - [onlytradeschools.com/Michigan/](http://onlytradeschools.com/Michigan/)
- \* Look at employment websites for opportunities and job requirements

# Trade School/Technical School/Military

- Best Trade Schools in Michigan- Search Engine for all the trade schools in MI  
[onlytradeschools.com/michigan/](http://onlytradeschools.com/michigan/)
- MIAT College of Technology  
[miat.edu](http://miat.edu)
- Northwestern Technological University  
[northwesterntech.edu](http://northwesterntech.edu)
- United States Navy  
[www.navy.com](http://www.navy.com)
- United States Marine Corps  
[www.marines.com](http://www.marines.com)
- US Airforce  
[www.airforce.com](http://www.airforce.com)
- United States Coast Guard  
[www.uscg.mil](http://www.uscg.mil)

# FACTORS TO CONSIDER...

## WHEN CHOOSING A COLLEGE

### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- What high school courses are required?
- Are entrance tests required? (ACT or SAT)  
What scores are acceptable?
- Is a certain grade point average or class rank required?
- Will my activities and school involvement be considered?
- Is there an essay on the application?
- Is there an early decision or early action plan?
- On what basis are applicants accepted?
- Are personal interview or letters of recommendation required?
- Do certain majors have special requirements?
- What percent of applicants are accepted?
- Can admission denials be appealed?
- What are the application filing deadlines and fees?

### COLLEGE CHARACTERISTICS

- Where is the college located? (city, suburb, small town, rural setting)
- Is the college public, private, or church affiliated?
- What is the current student enrollment?
- What special or unique programs are offered?
- Does the college have general education requirements? What are they?
- Does the college have special programs for transfer students?
- What is the academic calendar (semesters or quarters)?

### STUDENT POPULATION

- Do most of the students commute or live on campus?
- What types of student activities are there?
- Are sororities and fraternities on campus?
- What athletic programs are available?
- Does the college have a campus visitation program?
- Is housing available/guaranteed for freshmen?
- Is it housing available for all four years?

### SOCIAL LIFE

- What is the average age of the student body?
- What is the male to female ratio?
- What % of students reside on campus?
- Are dorms co-ed or single sex?
- Is it a "suitcase" college where all the students leave on the weekend?
- What are the procedures for selecting a roommate?
- What are some of the rules and regulations that govern campus and dormitory life?

### ACADEMICS

- What is the average class size? Largest? Smallest?
- How many students in last year's freshman class returned for their sophomore year?
- What was the grade point average for the freshman class last year?
- What is the college's procedure for student orientation, class placement, and scheduling?
- How is a faculty advisor assigned to students?
- What services does the school offer for the student who is undecided about a major?
- What are the most popular majors?
- Are students taught by full time faculty members, graduate assistants, or a combination of both?
- Is there an honors program? What are the qualifications for entry?

### FINANCIAL AID

- What % of students receive financial aid based on financial need?
- What % of students receive scholarships based on academic ability?
- What would be a typical financial aid package for a freshman?
- What percent of those who apply for financial aid receive it?
- Will my financial aid be adjusted if my need increases?
- What are the financial aid application procedures and deadlines?
- Is there a tuition payment plan?
- Are there campus jobs available? Are there off campus jobs as well?

### COST

- What are the costs for tuition?
- What are the costs for room and board? Are there other fees?
- How much did costs increase from last year to this year?
- Is there a difference in the costs for in-state and out-of-state students?
- Are accepted students required to place deposits for tuition and housing?
- By when must accepted students decide whether they will attend?
- When do the bills have to be paid?

## "What Should I Ask a College Representative?"

- What is the average GPA of an entering freshman? ACT or SAT score?
- What is the faculty/student ratio?
- What is the average class size for an introductory course?
- What percentage of faculty members have a Ph.D.?
- How is the academic calendar year set up?
- How is the admission to the college determined?
- Can I have a campus tour? Sit in on a class? Stay overnight in a dorm?
- When is the application deadline? Is there a non-refundable deposit?
- What is the average drop-out rate? What types of reasons do the students give?
- Do you have a Career Planning program/or facilities?
- What is the school's overall placement rate? What is it in my intended major?
- What are the school's basic costs (tuition, room, board, and fees)?
- What kinds of Financial Aid Programs are available?
- Are there any special scholarship offered by the school or its alumni?
- Can I have a car on campus during my freshman year?
- What types of college housing are there? Can I live off-campus?
- What kind of stuff should I bring to the campus when I move in?
- What varsity sports are played? Intramural sports?
- Do you award athletic scholarships?
- What kind of extra-curricular activities are available?
- What percentage of students are from other states? Other countries?
- What is the surrounding community like?
- How many students belong to a fraternity or sorority?
- What kind of orientation program is there? When is it held?
- Will I be assigned a faculty advisor? How often do we meet?
- What do you consider the schools top three programs?

## College & Career

### College Admissions

#### College Search

[www.fastweb.com/college-search](http://www.fastweb.com/college-search)

#### Common Application

[www.commonapp.org](http://www.commonapp.org)

#### Educational Opportunity Centers Program

[www2.ed.gov/programs/trioeoc](http://www2.ed.gov/programs/trioeoc)

#### Job Corps

[www.jobcorps.gov](http://www.jobcorps.gov)

#### NACAC College Fairs

[www.nacacfairs.org](http://www.nacacfairs.org)

## Jobs & Career

#### Monster Career Advice

[www.monster.com/career-advice/career-levels/entry-level](http://www.monster.com/career-advice/career-levels/entry-level)

#### Fastweb Part-Time Jobs

[www.fastweb.com/part-time-jobs](http://www.fastweb.com/part-time-jobs)

#### Career Planning

[www.fastweb.com/career-planning](http://www.fastweb.com/career-planning)

#### Bureau of Labor Statistics

[www.bls.gov](http://www.bls.gov)

## Web Resources

#### ERIC (Education Resources Info Center)

[www.eric.ed.gov](http://www.eric.ed.gov)

#### College Insight

[www.college-insight.org](http://www.college-insight.org)

#### Student Tax Info

[www.irs.gov/individuals/students](http://www.irs.gov/individuals/students)

#### National Center for Education Statistics

[nces.ed.gov](http://nces.ed.gov)

#### Selective Service System

[www.sss.gov](http://www.sss.gov)

#### Social Security Administration

[www.ssa.gov](http://www.ssa.gov)

#### TRIO Programs

[www.coenet.org](http://www.coenet.org)

## Financial Aid

### Important Resources

#### Fastweb for Educators

[www.fastweb.com/educators](http://www.fastweb.com/educators)

#### Finaid

[www.finaid.org](http://www.finaid.org)

#### FAFSA

(Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

[studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa](http://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa)

#### FSA ID Management

<https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>

#### FAFSA 4Caster

<https://studentaid.gov/understand-aid/estimate>

#### CSS PROFILE

<https://cssprofile.collegeboard.com>

#### Federal Student Aid for Counselors

[financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov](http://financialaidtoolkit.ed.gov)

#### Federal Student Aid for Students

[www.studentaid.ed.gov](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov)

#### IFAP

(Information for Financial Aid Professionals)

[www.ifap.ed.gov](http://www.ifap.ed.gov)

#### Mapping Your Future

[www.mappingyourfuture.org](http://www.mappingyourfuture.org)

#### NASFAA

(National Association of Financial Aid Administrators)

[www.nasfaa.org](http://www.nasfaa.org)

NACAC (National Association for College Admission Counseling)

[www.nacacnet.org](http://www.nacacnet.org)

#### FTC Project Scholarship Scam

[www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams](http://www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams)

#### OPE (Office of Postsecondary Education)

[www.ed.gov/ope](http://www.ed.gov/ope)

#### Guide to Federal Student Aid

[www.studentaid.ed.gov/guide](http://www.studentaid.ed.gov/guide)

#### Financial Aid Calculators

[www.finaid.org/calculators](http://www.finaid.org/calculators)

## Higher Ed News & Views

#### Chronicle of Higher Education

[www.chronicle.com](http://www.chronicle.com)

#### Higher Education Watch

[www.higheredwatch.org](http://www.higheredwatch.org)

#### Inside Higher Ed

[www.insidehighered.com](http://www.insidehighered.com)

## Federal Loans

### US Dept. of Education

The US Dept of Education offers low-interest loans to cover cost of college or career school.

#### Direct Subsidized Loan

For undergrad students with financial need

School determines amount and may not exceed financial need. Dept of Education pays interest while in school at least half time

#### Direct Unsubsidized Loan

For undergrad and grad students enrolled no requirement to demonstrate financial need

School determines amount based on cost of attendance and other financial aid. Student is responsible for interest

#### Direct PLUS Loan

For grad or professional students and parents of dependent undergraduate students

Loan amount is maximum cost of attendance. Credit check required. Dept. of Education is the lender

## Private Loans

Students should borrow with federal loans first which are cheaper, more available and have better repayment terms than private/student loans. Eligibility, interest rate and fees for private loans based on credit scores

More information on private/alternative loans at [www.finaid.org/loans/](http://www.finaid.org/loans/)

## More Student Aid Resources

#### Scholarship Search

[www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

#### AmeriCorps

[www.americorps.gov](http://www.americorps.gov)

#### City Year

[www.cityyear.org](http://www.cityyear.org)

#### Student Loans

[www.studentaid.gov/loans](http://www.studentaid.gov/loans)

#### EduPASS: International Students

[www.edupass.org](http://www.edupass.org)

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# Quick Reference 2022-23 High School Educators

## Scholarship Scams Scam Warning Signs

- You have to pay a fee
- Money-back offers or guarantees
- Credit card or bank account information required
- Provides "exclusive" information

## Common Scams

### "Phishing"

- Unsolicited emails that bear the logo of your bank or credit card
- Appear legitimate but are traps to lure you into giving out your personal or account information

NEVER give out Social Security, credit card or bank account numbers to unsolicited emails or calls

### "Pharming"

- Unsolicited emails that encourage you to visit a website or click on suspicious links
- Make sure your inbox spam filters are up to date

BE CAREFUL about giving out your contact information or email address

## Reporting Scams

**National Fraud Information Center (NFIC)**  
File an online complaint at [www.fraud.org](http://www.fraud.org)

**Federal Trade Commission (FTC)**  
File an online complaint at [www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams](http://www.ftc.gov/scholarshipscams), call 202-326-2222, or write to:  
Federal Trade Commission Consumer Response Center  
600 Pennsylvania Ave., NW  
Washington, DC 20580

**State Attorney General's Office**  
File your complaint with the Consumer Protection Division in your state.  
Visit [www.naag.org](http://www.naag.org) to find your state Attorney General's Office

**US Postal Inspection Service (USPIS)**  
File an online complaint involving mail fraud at [postalinspectors.uspis.gov](http://postalinspectors.uspis.gov), call the Crime Hotline at 877-876-2455 or write to:  
Criminal Investigations Service Center  
222 S. Riverside Plaza, Ste. 1250  
Chicago, IL 60606-6100

**Better Business Bureau (BBB)**  
File an online complaint about a business at [www.bbb.org](http://www.bbb.org) or call 703-276-0100

## 2022-2023 Key Dates for High School Students

### September 2022

National College Savings Month

### October 2022

Remind students: FAFSA application period begins, submit ASAP to maximize chances for aid

### November 2022

National Scholarship Month

### January 2023

Remind students: Complete FAFSA & Submit

### February 2023

Financial Aid Awareness Month

### April 2023

National Financial Literacy Month,  
Federal income tax due for 2022 - April 15th

### May 2023

National Candidates' Reply Date - May 1st

### June 2023

Last day to submit 2022-23 FAFSA - June 30,  
Order Fastweb materials for 2023-24

## 2022-2023 Test Information

Below is information on test entities and where to confirm test dates:

**ACT (American College Testing)**  
[www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org)

**AP (Advanced Placement)**  
[apcentral.collegeboard.com](http://apcentral.collegeboard.com)

**CLEP (College-Level Examination Program)**  
[clep.collegeboard.org](http://clep.collegeboard.org)

**PSAT (Preliminary SAT) / NMSQT  
(National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test)**  
[collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat](http://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/psat)

**SAT and SAT (Scholastic Assessment Test)  
Subject Tests**  
[collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat](http://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat)

## Fastweb Educator Resources

Share Fastweb with your students, order free printed materials find online tools:  
[www.fastweb.com/educators](http://www.fastweb.com/educators)

**Have a question or comment:**  
[memberservices@fastweb.com](mailto:memberservices@fastweb.com)

## Contacts

### Associations/Organizations

**ACA (American Counseling Association)**  
[membership@counseling.org](mailto:membership@counseling.org)  
[www.counseling.org](http://www.counseling.org)

### ASCA

**(American School Counselor Association)**  
[asca@schoolcounselor.org](mailto:asca@schoolcounselor.org)  
[www.schoolcounselor.org](http://www.schoolcounselor.org)

### The College Board

[www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com)

### NACAC

**(National Association for College Admission Counseling)**  
[info@nacacnet.org](mailto:info@nacacnet.org)  
[www.nacacnet.org](http://www.nacacnet.org)

**NASFAA (National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators)**  
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[www.nasfaa.org](http://www.nasfaa.org)

**NCAN (National College Access Network)**  
[ncan@collegeaccess.org](mailto:ncan@collegeaccess.org)  
[www.collegeaccess.org](http://www.collegeaccess.org)

**NSPA (National Scholarship Providers Assoc)**  
[nsipa@scholarshipproviders.org](mailto:nsipa@scholarshipproviders.org)  
[www.scholarshipproviders.org](http://www.scholarshipproviders.org)

## Government Departments

**U.S. Department of Education**  
[www.ed.gov](http://www.ed.gov)

### FAFSA

**(Free Application for Federal Student Aid)**  
[studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa](http://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa)

### FSAIC

**(Federal Student Aid Information Center)**  
[www.studentaidhelp.ed.gov](http://www.studentaidhelp.ed.gov)

**NCES (National Center for Education Statistics)**  
[www.nces.ed.gov](http://www.nces.ed.gov)

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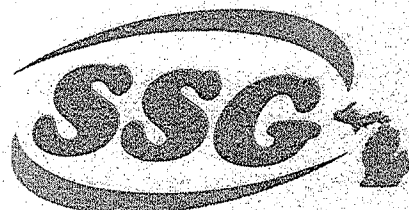
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# Student Scholarships and Grants — Programs at a Glance

Program Name	Program Details	Annual Award Amount
Children of Veterans Tuition Grant (CVTG)	Must be the natural or adopted child of a Michigan veteran who is totally and permanently disabled, deceased, or missing in action. Must be at least 16 and less than 26 years old. Must maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.25 for renewal.	Award amount up to \$2,800 per academic year for up to four academic years. Grand total of award is \$11,200. Award limited to tuition and mandatory fees.
Dual Enrollment	Students attending a private high school are determined eligible by the Michigan Department of Education (MDE). SSG then pays the college for each eligible student.	Varies
Fostering Futures Scholarship (FFS)	The Fostering Futures Scholarship provides scholarships to young adults who have experienced foster care in Michigan. Awards are paid directly to the students' institution to assist with unmet need in tuition/fees, room/board, and books/supplies. Students must have been in foster care on or after their 13th birthday. There is no upper age limit; students can receive funding at any age. Students must be attending a Michigan degree-granting public or private 4-year college/university or a community college.	Award varies based on need and any other financial aid the student is receiving.
GEAR UP College Day	Must have participated in GEAR UP College Day Program between 2007 and 2012 and been nominated for an award.	Varies through 2016-18
GEAR UP Michigan	Must have participated in GEAR UP Urban Centers Program between 2002 and 2007 and have been nominated for an award.	Varies through 2015-16
Michigan Competitive Scholarship (MCS)	Must have a qualifying ACT score of at least 23 (composite) or 90 (scaled score). Federal processor must receive Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by March 1. (Cannot be an institution whose primary purpose is to prepare students for ordination or appointment as a member of the clergy of a church, denomination, or religious sect.) Must maintain a minimum cumulative 2.0 GPA.	Program is both merit and need based. Award amount is \$676 (2014-15). Award limited to tuition and mandatory fees. Limited to 10 semesters or 15 terms.
Michigan Nursing Scholarship (MNS)	The Michigan Nursing Scholarship (MNS) is a non-need award available to Michigan residents enrolled at least half time at an eligible institution in a program leading to a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) certification, Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN), Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN), or Masters of Science in Nursing (MSN).	Awards are \$4,000 per academic year for full-time students, but cannot exceed the cost of attendance minus other grants and scholarships. Students receiving a full-time scholarship award must agree to work as a direct patient care nurse in an eligible Michigan facility, or as a teacher of nursing at an eligible Michigan postsecondary institution, one year for each year of assistance. If the work commitment is not fulfilled, the scholarship becomes a loan that must be repaid.
Michigan Merit Award	Available only for students with military extensions until 2017.	Up to \$3,000
Michigan Tuition Grant (MTG)	Federal processor must receive Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by June 30. Must be enrolled at an approved independent, degree-granting Michigan institution. Cannot be enrolled in a course of study leading to a degree in theology, divinity, or religious education.	Program is need based. Award amount is \$1,626 (2014-15). Award limited to tuition and mandatory fees. Limited to 10 semesters or 15 terms.
Police Officer's and Fire Fighter's Survivor Tuition Grant (STG)	For children and surviving spouses of Michigan police officer's and firefighter's killed in the line of duty. Must provide satisfactory proof. Child must be less than 21 at the time of the police officer's or firefighter's death. Must apply before age 26. Must enroll at least half-time in a program leading to a certificate or degree at an approved Michigan community college or public university.	Excluding death benefits, must be below 400% of the federal poverty level (demonstrate financial need). Award limited to tuition only. Limited to 9 semesters or 13 terms (124 semester or 180 term credits).
Tuition Incentive Program (TIP)	Student must have received Medicaid coverage, as determined by The Michigan Department of Human Services (DHS), for 24 months within any 36-consecutive months between the ages of 9 and high school graduation. Must submit application by August 31 of the student's senior year. Must begin using TIP within four years from high school graduation. Eligibility ends after ten years from the date of high school graduation.	Award limited to tuition and mandatory fees. Eligible mandatory fees cannot exceed \$250 per semester or term. Pays up to 24 semester or 36 term credits per academic year. Cannot exceed 80 semester or 120 term credits.



# Programs at a Glance



*Student Scholarships and Grants*

## For Additional Information

### Internet:

Detailed information about each program is available at [www.michigan.gov/ssg](http://www.michigan.gov/ssg).

### Email:

[ssg@michigan.gov](mailto:ssg@michigan.gov)

### Call Toll free:

Our Information Center is available Monday-Friday from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., except on holidays.

1-888-4-GRANTS  
(1-888-447-2687)

Michigan Department of Treasury  
Student Financial Services Bureau  
P.O. Box 30462  
Lansing, MI 48909-7962

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## What student financial aid programs are available from the State of Michigan?

- Children of Veterans Tuition Grant (CVTG)
- Dual Enrollment (DE)
- Fostering Futures Scholarship (FFS)
- GEAR UP College Day
- GEAR UP Michigan! Scholarship
- Michigan Competitive Scholarships (MCS)
- Michigan Nursing Scholarship (MNS)
- Michigan Merit Award - Military Extensions only
- Michigan Tuition Grant (MTG)
- Police Officer's and Fire Fighter's Survivors Tuition Grant (STG)
- Tuition Incentive Program (TIP)

## Outreach Services

SSG is actively involved in promoting postsecondary education, financial education, and financial aid options to Michigan students and families. Our services include:

- College fairs
- SSG presentations at schools for students and families

- Financial education presentations and SSG publications
- Mini webinars and webcasts
- Collaboration with SSG partners
- List of K-12 schools eligible for Teacher Loan cancellations
- The Michigan Postsecondary Handbook profiling all Michigan colleges

## Who qualifies for Michigan financial aid?

All State of Michigan programs require:

- High school diploma, certificate of completion, or GED.
- Michigan residency of at least one year prior to enrollment.
- U.S. citizenship, permanent residency, or approved refugee status.
- At least half-time enrollment at an approved Michigan college or university.
- The student is not in default on a federal student loan.
- The student meets Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) standards as set by the institution.

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY  
STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES BUREAU



# Michigan Colleges GPA & SAT/ACT Tiers

GPA & SAT/ACT averages of freshman class based on information found in the Michigan College Guide

**Open Admissions**  
No minimum GPA  
or SAT/ACT  
requirements

Average  
GPA  
SAT  
ACT

2.5 – 2.7	2.8 – 3.2	3.3 – 3.5	3.6 – 3.8	3.9 – 4.0+
860 – 1010	940 – 1120	1060 – 1230	1130 – 1380	1350 – 1600
15 – 19	17 – 22	21 – 26	23 – 30	29 – 36

- Alpena CC
- Baker College
- Bay College
- Cleary Business Univ
- Delta College
- Glen Oaks CC
- Gogebic CC
- Grand Rapids CC
- Henry Ford College
- Jackson College
- Kalamazoo Valley CC
- Kellogg CC
- Kirtland CC
- Lake Michigan College
- Lansing CC
- Mid-Michigan College
- Monroe County CC
- Mott CC
- Muskegon CC
- North Central Michigan College
- Northwestern Michigan College
- Oakland CC
- Schoolcraft College
- South University
- St. Clair County CC
- Washtenaw CC
- Wayne County CC
- West Shore CC

 **DAVENPORT UNIVERSITY**

 **DIME**  
DETROIT INSTITUTE OF MUSIC EDUCATION

 **KCAD**

**Marygrove College**

 **ROCHESTER COLLEGE**

**SOUTHWESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE**

 **CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY**

 **FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY**

**FINLANDIA UNIVERSITY**  
FOUNDED IN 1896

 **GRACE COLLEGE**

 **Great Lakes Christian College**

 **KUYPER COLLEGE**

 **LAKE SUPERIOR STATE UNIVERSITY**

 **MADONNA UNIVERSITY**

**NORTHWOOD UNIVERSITY**

 **OLIVET COLLEGE**  
Revere. Do Good.

 **SIENA HEIGHTS UNIVERSITY**

 **WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY**

**ADRIAN COLLEGE**

 **ALMA COLLEGE**

 **Andrews University**  
Seek. Affirm. Change.

**AQUINAS COLLEGE**

**CMU**

 **COLLEGE for Creative STUDIES**

 **CORNERSTONE UNIVERSITY**

 **EMU**  
EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

 **LAWRENCE TECH**

**NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY**

**OAKLAND UNIVERSITY**

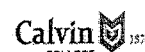
**SAGINAW VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY**

 **Spring Arbor UNIVERSITY**

 **FLINT**

**WMU**

 **ALBION COLLEGE**

 **Calvin COLLEGE** 1876

 **GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY**

 **HOPE COLLEGE**

 **KETTERING COLLEGE**

 **MICHIGAN STATE**

 **Michigan Tech**

 **UNIVERSITY OF DETROIT MERCY**

 **DEARBORN**

 **HILLSDALE COLLEGE**

 **KALAMAZOO COLLEGE**

 **UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN**

# Where will your scores take you?

Will they help get you into the university of your choice?

*A few points can make a difference!*

*Check out the bolded schools below to see what a few more points can do for you.*

School Name	SAT Scores	ACT Scores	Admit Rate
California Institute of Technology	1570	35	8%
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	1560	34	8%
Columbia University	1550	34	6%
<b>Harvard College</b>	<b>1550</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>5%</b>
University of Chicago	1550	34	8%
Princeton University	1540	34	7%
Yale University	1540	33	7%
Rice University	1530	34	15%
Johns Hopkins University	1530	33	13%
Stanford University	1530	33	5%
Washington University - St. Louis	1530	33	17%
Brown University	1520	33	9%
University of Pennsylvania	1520	33	10%
Duke University	1510	33	12%
Tufts University	1500	33	14%
Dartmouth College	1500	32	11%
University of Notre Dame	1490	34	19%
Pomona College	1490	33	12%
Northwestern University	1480	33	11%
University of Illinois at Urbana - Champaign	1460	29	59%
University of Southern California	1450	32	17%
University of California - Berkeley	1440	32	15%
Cornell University	1430	33	14%
Wesleyan University	1430	32	11%

School Name	SAT Scores	ACT Scores	Admit Rate
<b>University of Michigan - Ann Arbor</b>	1420	30	23%
Swarthmore College	1420	32	13%
Boston University	1400	30	29%
New York University	1370	31	32%
University of California - Los Angeles	1370	29	18%
Ohio State University - Columbus	1360	29	49%
University of Texas at Austin	1350	29	40%
United States Military Academy	1340	29	10%
United States Air Force Academy	1320	30	15%
University of Wisconsin - Madison	1320	29	53%
<b>Kalamazoo College</b>	<b>1280</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>73%</b>
United States Naval Academy	1280	NR	8%
Purdue University - West Lafayette	1280	28	56%
Texas A&M University - College Station	1260	27	66%
<b>Michigan State University</b>	<b>1250</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>78%</b>
Butler University	1240	28	73%
Marquette University	1240	27	84%
Pennsylvania State University	1220	27	56%
University of Oklahoma	1200	26	71%
University of Houston	1150	26	59%
<b>Oakland University</b>	<b>1120</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>84%</b>
<b>Western Michigan University</b>	<b>1075</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>81%</b>

Take a **FREE** practice test online at [PrincetonReview.com/FreePracticeTest!](https://www.PrincetonReview.com/FreePracticeTest!)

\*SAT and ACT scores are provided by schools featured. These scores are representative of the 50th percentile who enrolled in college. Students within a wide range of scores have received admission. For more information, visit [www.PrincetonReview.com](https://www.PrincetonReview.com). All tests are registered trademarks of their respective owners. None of the trademarks or service marks herein are the property of Princeton Review.

# **TOP SCHOLARSHIP WEBSITES**

## **FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

1. [Fastweb.com](http://Fastweb.com)
2. [Scholarships.com](http://Scholarships.com)
3. [CollegeBoard.org](http://CollegeBoard.org)
4. [Niche.com](http://Niche.com)
5. [SallieMae.com](http://SallieMae.com)
6. [GoingMerry.com](http://GoingMerry.com)
7. [Chegg.com](http://Chegg.com)
8. [Cappex.com](http://Cappex.com)
9. [Petersons.com](http://Petersons.com)
10. [Unigo.com](http://Unigo.com)
11. [Careeronestop.org](http://Careeronestop.org)
12. [Scholarshipmonkey.com](http://Scholarshipmonkey.com)
13. [moolahSPOT.com](http://moolahSPOT.com)
14. [StudentScholarships.org](http://StudentScholarships.org)
15. [CollegeNet.com](http://CollegeNet.com)
16. [Finaid.com](http://Finaid.com)
17. [Scholly.com](http://Scholly.com)
18. [Brokescholar.com](http://Brokescholar.com)

**Teachers: Please Read 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour and Then Post!!!**

## **Scholarships #1 – September 19, 2022**

1. **SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH SOLUTION:** There is a free scholarship search solution for high school students by going to [www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com). This website has a massive scholarship database with 1.5 million scholarships worth \$3.4 billion, has an incredible matching technology and has real results and countless winners. Once you create a profile, the site's search feature will help you find the matches that best fit your needs. Your personal profile is how the site helps you find pretty much what you are looking for.
2. **ELKS NATIONAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS:** The foundation provides more than \$2.44 million in college scholarships each year through its three scholarship programs, including the Most Valuable Student Scholarship, in which 500 four-year scholarships, ranging from \$1,000 to \$12,500, per year are rewarded to high school seniors based on financial need, leadership, and scholarship. To find the Elks Lodge nearest you, students are encouraged to visit the website at [www.elks.org](http://www.elks.org). Applications must be received by November 14, 2022.
3. **StudentScholarships.Org:** There are 18 scholarship programs available to Michigan high school students. More than 850 individual scholarships will be distributed through these 18 programs. The deadlines range from October 31, 2022 to December 31, 2022. Please go to the link at <https://studentscholarships.org/newsletters> and you will find the list of 18 scholarships available.
4. **COCA-COLA SCHOLARS FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP:** The Coca-Cola Scholars Program Scholarship is an achievement based scholarship awarded to graduating high school seniors each year. Students are recognized for their capacity to lead and serve, and their commitment to making significant impact on their schools and communities. The foundation supports 1,400 students each year, with annual scholarships of \$3.55 million. Current high school seniors with a minimum of a 3.0 GPA may apply using the following link through October 31, 2022: <http://www.coca-colascholarshipsfoundation.org>.
5. **TUITION INCENTIVE PROGRAM (TIP):** The program encourages eligible Medicaid recipient students to complete high school by providing college tuition assistance after graduation. It helps students pursue a Certificate or Associate degree by providing tuition and mandatory fee assistance. After earning a Certificate, Associate Degree, or even 56 transferable credits, the student can then be eligible to receive up to \$500 per semester while pursuing a Bachelor degree. The tip application may be completed online in the MISSG Student portal at [www.michigan.gov/missg](http://www.michigan.gov/missg) or by calling 1-888-447-3687.
6. **UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN-DEARBORN SCHOLARSHIPS:** To receive priority consideration for select four-year scholarships, high school seniors are encouraged to submit an application for admission by December 15, 2022. There are numerous scholarships available, ranging from full-tuition to \$2,000 per year for four years. Over \$47 million in scholarships will be offered.
7. **GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS:** There are numerous scholarships available to high school seniors ranging from full-ride four year scholarships (Presidential Scholarships) to \$2,000 scholarships. Students are encouraged to complete their application by December 31, 2022 in order to be eligible for the scholarships.

Respectfully,  
Ibrahim Baydoun  
Counseling Dept.

# IMPORTANT SENIOR INFORMATION

## 1. Apply to Colleges and Universities:

Common App: A free college tool that makes applying to multiple colleges or universities all at once faster and easier. To view the list of 900+ institutions that require the common app, please visit the link below:

<https://www.commonapp.org>

## 2. PARCHMENT: (If you do not use the CommonApp)

Request your official transcripts to be sent electronically to the colleges or universities of your choice. Please visit the link below to make the request:

<https://www.parchment.com>

## 3. FINANCIAL AID (FAFSA):

Every student is highly encouraged to apply starting on October 1, **2022** regardless of their families income. Please visit the link below to apply:

<https://www.fafsa.ed.gov>

## 4. TUITION INCENTIVE PROGRAM (TIP):

The program provides tuition assistance to students who are eligible for Medicaid during their qualifying certificate or associate degree program (Phase I) and also during their bachelor's degree program (Phase II). Eligible students are highly encouraged to apply using the link below:

A. [www.michigan.gov/missg](http://www.michigan.gov/missg)

B. 1-888-447-2687

# Enrolling at HFC

Follow these steps during your senior year to prepare for your first year at Henry Ford College.

October

## Apply, Financial Aid, Placement.

- Complete a free, online admissions application at [hfcc.edu/apply](https://hfcc.edu/apply)
- Visit us for a free campus tour. [hfcc.edu/tour](https://hfcc.edu/tour)
- Apply for Financial Aid by completing the 2023-24 FAFSA.  
[hfcc.edu/financial-aid](https://hfcc.edu/financial-aid)
- Set up your student portal and start checking your HFC email  
[my.hfcc.edu/students](https://my.hfcc.edu/students)
- Review options for course placement at [hfcc.edu/placement](https://hfcc.edu/placement)

January 2023

## Scholarship Application Opens.

- Complete the HFC Scholarship Application between  
January 1 - March 31, 2023 at [hfcc.edu/scholarships](https://hfcc.edu/scholarships)

April 2023

## Orientation, Advising. Registration Opens.

- Complete New Student Orientation, Advising, and Registration.  
[hfcc.edu/orientation](https://hfcc.edu/orientation)

June 2023

## Request Your Transcripts.

- Request your official high school transcript is sent to HFC after your graduation date is added.
- If you have not completed your FAFSA, or need to turn in documents for verification, make it a priority.
- Keep checking your HFC email.

August 2023

## Pay for Classes, Buy Books, Go to Class!

- Check HFC email for all official communication.
- Follow all payment deadlines.
- Get ready for a great start to your fall semester!

