

GCS Scholarship Newsletter

SAT Test Dates

Test Date	Regular Deadline	Late Deadline
November 3	October 5	October 24
December 1	November 2	November 20
March 9	February 8	February 27
May 4	April 5	April 24
June 1	May 3	May 22

Register online at www.collegeboard.org

ACT Test Dates

Test Date	Regular Deadline	Late Deadline
December 8	November 2	November 19
February 9	January 11	January 18
April 13	March 8	March 25
June 8	May 3	May 20
July 13	June 14	June 24

Search for Dallas, NC (Gaston College Test Site)
Register online at www.act.org

Important Information

- Take/Retake the SAT or ACT** as soon as possible - SUPER SCORE!
- Create your Extracurricular Profile** and send a copy to your Counselor. (Extracurricular profile template is on the Counseling website)
- Apply Early!** Many Colleges have application deadlines of **mid-October** and **November 1st** for early notification. Some schools require you to complete the application by the early deadline to be eligible for scholarships.
- Request recommendations** from teachers if necessary, giving them as much notice as possible. Also give them a copy of your extracurricular profile.
- Check each College's website** for admissions and scholarship/financial aid information.
- Send your transcript electronically** through www.cfnc.org.
- Create a FASTWEB account** at www.fastweb.com. This is a **FREE** Scholarship search just for you.

Scholarships with December Deadlines

Boston University Trustee Scholarship - Boston University's most prestigious merit-based award, which recognizes students who show outstanding academic and leadership abilities. In addition to exceptional academic credentials, Trustee Scholars are intellectually and creatively adventurous and demonstrate viewpoints, experiences or achievements beyond the usual. A Trustee Scholarship covers full undergraduate tuition plus the University orientation and mandatory undergraduate student fees and is renewable for four years if certain criteria are met. To be eligible, submit the Common Application and all required materials for admission to one of the undergraduate degree programs at Boston University by **December 1**. Many of the Trustee Scholars have a 4.0 grade point average in high school and are typically ranked in the top 5 -10% of their class. For more information, click [here](#).

Clemson National Scholars Program - For U.S. citizens and permanent residents who demonstrate both depth and breadth in their interests, experiences, extracurricular activities, and leadership roles. A strong applicant will have a sense of curiosity that surpasses the classroom and have strong standardized test scores, exceptional grades, and thorough and thought-provoking essays. To be eligible an applicant must submit BOTH the Clemson undergraduate admissions application (**December 1**) AND the Calhoun Honors College admissions application online (**December 8**). All supporting materials - including your transcript, counselor form, and teacher letter of recommendation - must be received by the Calhoun Honors College no later than **December 15**.

NC State Centennial Scholarships - Provide a minimum of \$15,000 per year for four years. Centennials are merit scholarships, they are awarded to incoming freshmen on the basis of academic achievement in high school, proven and potential leadership qualities, extracurricular activities and unique life experiences. The scholarship also provides \$7,500 as a special enrichment fund that may be used for study abroad, leadership programs, career explorations or other approved enrichment activities. The deadline to self-nominate for any of these scholarships is **December 1** at 11:59pm. For more information, click [here](#).

ROTC Scholarships: Army - Discipline: General with military obligation following college graduation, Award: Army scholarships cover most tuition and on-campus educational expenses and provide a flat rate for books, supplies and equipment. Monthly allowance. Requirements: Be a U.S. citizen; be between the ages of 17 and 26; have a high school cum. GPA of at least 2.50; have a high school diploma or equivalent; score minimum of 1000 on the SAT (math/verbal) or 19 on the ACT (excluding the required writing test scores); meet physical standards; agree to accept a commission and serve in the Army on Active Duty or in a Reserve Component (U.S. Army Reserve or Army National Guard). Deadline: Recommended Apply by **December 1** each year. Final Deadline **March 4**. Take SAT or ACT no later than October of Senior year. Contact: Army (800) USA-ARMY or reference <https://www.goarmy.com/rotc/high-school-students/four-year-scholarship.html>.

University of Virginia Jefferson Scholars Foundation - Discipline: General/Academic, Award: Full tuition, fees, books, room & board, and personal expenses. Total value for non-Virginian students exceeds \$280,000. Requirements: Must be nominated by school counselor and/or school official. Eligible schools may nominate one student per year from the senior class. Demonstrated excellence and exceptional potential in leadership, scholarship, and citizenship. The Jefferson Scholars Foundation seeks to identify the most highly talented students in the world. Deadline: Counselor and Jefferson Scholar nominee must be complete nomination form by **December 3**. Visit online at <http://www.jeffersonscholars.org>.

Wayne F. Shovelin Scholarship - Discipline: Health Care, Award: \$20,000 per year renewable for 4 years, Requirements: Classification as a current high school senior. Residency in Gaston County or the child of a CaroMont Health employee. Scholastic Achievement: GPA of at least a 3.75, unweighted. Interest in pursuing an undergraduate degree in a healthcare profession. Demonstration of strong school and community involvement through volunteerism. Deadline: **TBD**. See your school counselor for more information and to receive an application.

Burger King Scholars Program - Discipline: General, Award: Ranges from \$1,000 to \$50,000, Requirements: Burger King employees, children of employees, and high school seniors who demonstrate integrity, high standards, entrepreneurial spirit, and good citizenship are eligible. GPA requirement of a 2.5. Deadline: **December 15**. Contact: Visit <https://www.scholarsapply.org/burgerkingscholars/> to apply for this scholarship.

UNC-Greensboro Katharine Smith Reynolds Scholarship - Discipline: General, Award: \$8,000 per year, plus stipends (\$1,250-\$2,500) each year for community service, internship, and study abroad. Requirements: Superior scholastic and personal achievement, must apply for the UNCG Honors College by **December 1**. Contact: Visit <https://honorscollege.uncg.edu/futurestudents/honors-college-scholarships.htm> to apply.

Greenhouse Scholars Program - This scholarship program is a four-year commitment to support students who demonstrate exceptional courage, leadership, accountability, and are ready to create lasting impact in communities around the globe. Students must have at least a 3.5 unweighted GPA, plan to attend a four-year university, demonstrate financial need, and possess excellent leadership skills, an ability to persevere through difficult circumstances, and a strong interest in and commitment to their community. For more information about the program, application criteria, and to apply click [here](#). The deadline to apply is **December 17**.

The Navy Reserve Officers Training Program (Navy ROTC) is a multi-year program that runs concurrently with a student's normal college or university educational course of study. In addition to a normal academic workload leading to a Baccalaureate degree, students attend classes in Naval Science, participate in drill, physical training, and other activities, and are generally taught the leadership principles and high ideals of a military officer. This 4-year scholarship can be used at UNC-CH, NC State, and Duke as well as The Citadel, USC, Georgia State, and other schools outside of NC. Interested students should contact Staff Sgt. Rebecca A. Ojeda, USMC at 704.689.1390 for more information. The deadline to apply is **December 31**.

National Scholarship search engines: **Fast Web**, **Cappex**, **Unigo**, **Big Future**