**January of Senior Year**

* Check your course schedule. Meet with your guidance counselor to make any necessary changes.
* Review first semester grades with counselor. Do not drop any classes.
* Request mid-year grades (for first and second advisories) from the College Bureau for all schools you are still interested in.
* Regular Admissions deadline for most colleges is this month.
* Submit your completed Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form. Keep a copy for your records. Keep photocopies of all forms and applications you complete. File FAFSA as soon after January 1st as possible (use estimated income figures.)
* Begin requesting scholarship applications.

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| **Award:** | Several $2,000 scholarships; renewable. Number varies. |

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| **To Study:** | Any field of study. |

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| **At:** | Any accredited institution. |

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| **Description:** | **Open to undergraduate students in California or Arizona who have an agricultural background (i.e., the student or someone in the student's immediate family must derive the majority of income from agriculture) and need financial assistance to further their education. Must demonstrate financial need. Must have a minimum 3.0 GPA. Selection based on essay, financial need, college board test scores, academic achievement, and recommendations.** |

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| **Deadline:** | **April 30.** |

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| **Procedure:** | 1. Submit complete application. 2. Submit a 500-word essay on your background and goals. |

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| **Contact:** | Administrator Sunkist Growers P.O. Box 7888 Van Nuys, CA 91409-7888 818.986.4800 <http://www.sunkist.com/about/bodine_scholarship.asp> |
| **Award:** | 4 - $500 scholarships; renewable. |

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| **At:** | Any Arizona Community College. |

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| **Description:** | **Open to high school students with strong service/activities and academic backgrounds, who are planning to attend a two-year community college in Arizona. Must be an Arizona resident. Selection based on academic achievement and community activities.** |

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| **Procedure:** | 1. Submit complete application form. 2. Submit transcripts. 3. Submit essay. |

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| **Contact:** | Linda Walker, Community Outreach Representative Southwest Student Services Corporation P.O. Box 41595 Mesa, AZ 85274 480.461.6566 Fax: 480.461.6595 E-mail: [scholarships@sssc.com](mailto:scholarships@sssc.com) <http://www.sssc.com> |

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|  | **"A.C.E. Scholarship Award"** |

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| **Award:** | 1 - $850 scholarship; renewable with a two year $1,700 maximum. |

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| **Description:** | **Open to current high school students living in Arizona planning to attend a junior/community college or university. Applicant must have one or more family members related to a current or former employee of an Arizona licensed contractor. Must maintain a minimum 3.0 GPA. Selection based on academic achievement, and application.** |

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| **Deadline:** | **June 15.** |

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| **Procedure:** | Submit complete application form. |

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| **Contact:** | | National Utility Contractors Association (NUCA) of Arizona 4635 S. Lakeshore Drive, Suite 200 Tempe, AZ 85282 480.775.3943 Fax: 602.532.7573 <http://www.nucaaz.org/scholarships.asp> | |
| |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Award:** | Number and amount varies. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **To Study:** | Any field of study. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **At:** | Any accredited institution. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Description:** | **Open to Arizona residents who are either high school graduates or continuing education students, attending a college or trade school. Must be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credit hours per semester or equivalent. Applicant's immediate family must be involved as owners or employees of ranches. Or the applicant must be employed by a ranch. Selection based on personal goals.** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Deadline:** | **February 10.** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Procedure:** | 1. Submit official birth certificate. 2. Submit two letters of recommendation from persons other than family members. 3. Submit a letter telling of applicant's personal goals including an explanation of how a scholarship award from ACSO will assist them in meeting those goals. Include the dollar amount(s) for all school related expenses (tuition, books, lab fees, etc.), as well as dollar amount(s) of other scholarship applied for and/or granted. 4. The name of the educational facility applicant plans to attend, including for each one listed, the full mailing address of the Financial Aid/Registrar Office, the email address and telephone and fax numbers. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Contact:** | Valerie Owen The Arizona Cowpuncher's Scholarship Organization, Inc. P.O. Box 420 Kirkland, AZ 86332-0420 E-mail: [info@allaboutacso.com](mailto:info@allaboutacso.com) <http://www.allaboutacso.com> | | | | |
| **Award:** | | | Several grants ranging from $1,500 -$2,000 awarded each year. | |

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| **Description:** | **Open to high school students who graduate early and promptly attend a regionally or nationally accredited Arizona post-secondary institution or vocational program. Students who graduate from a public high school or charter school at least one semester early and enroll full-time at an eligible Arizona post-secondary institution may receive up to $1,500 (over two academic years), and students who graduate at least one year early may receive up to $2,000 (over two academic years). Students have three years from the date of their high school graduation date to utilize EGSG funds. Selection based on academic achievement.** |

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| **Deadline:** | **Open.** |

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| **Procedure:** | Students apply online at <http://www.azgrants.gov> Students submit a copy of their high school transcripts and AIMS scores to the Arizona Commission for Postsecondary Education. A FASFA is required for this grant. |

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| **Contact:** | Arizona Commission for Postsecondary Education 2020 North Central Avenue, Suite 650 Phoenix, AZ 85004-4503 602.258.2435 Fax: 602.258.2483 E-mail: [help@azhighered.gov](mailto:help@azhighered.gov) <http://www.azhighered.org> |
| **Award:** | Several scholarships of varying amounts. |

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| **Description:** | **Open to high school graduates who were homeschooled at least the last three years of high school in Arizona. Applicants must be currently attending or planning on attending a college or university full-time in the fall. Must have followed the legal requirements for Arizona homeschooling. Applicant's family must be a current AFHE member. Must maintain a 3.0 GPA. Selection based on academic record, accomplishments, personal recommendations, leadership qualities, character, community activities and service. Additional consideration is given to students pursuing a degree from a four year college or university.** |

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| **Deadline:** | **January 15.** |

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| **Procedure:** | 1. Submit complete application. 2. Submit student-authored, one-page life story about your homeschool experience. 3. Submit student authored, one-page essay about your college/ university plans including the factors that have and will continue to influence those plans. 4. Submit a parent-authored, one-page paper describing: the role of parents in the home education of applicant; supplemental schooling/tutors; and a listing of school years the student was homeschooled. 5. Submit copies of your homeschool high school transcripts and community college transcripts. 6. Submit a copy of the results of nationally recognized achievement tests or post-high school studies placement tests. 7. Submit two letters of recommendation (non-relatives). 8. If applying for a designated scholarship, include all additional requirements. 9. Submit name of college or university you plan on attending full-time in the fall.  By filling out the Arizona Homeschool Scholarship Fund Application (AHSFA) applicant will automatically be considered for one of the general scholarships. |

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| **Contact:** | AHSC c/o AFHE P.O. Box 2035 Chandler, AZ 85244-2035 602.235.2673 E-mail: [scholarships@afhe.org](mailto:scholarships@afhe.org) <http://www.afhe.org> |

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| **Award:** | Several $1,000 scholarships. Number varies. |

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| **At:** | Any trade or technical institution in the state of Arizona. |

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| **Description:** | **Open to high school seniors who wish to attend a trade or technical institution in Arizona the following year. Applicant must be a resident of Arizona. Selection based on essay.** |

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| **Procedure:** | 1. Submit complete application form. 2. Submit essay. |

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| **Contact:** | Applications for scholarships are available through the High School counseling office each Spring.  Fred Lockhart, Executive Director Arizona Private School Association 202 East McDowell Rd., Suite 273 Phoenix, AZ 85004-4536 602.254.5199 Fax: 602.254.5073 <http://www.arizonapsa.org> |
| **Award:** | 1 - $500 scholarship; renewable. |

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| **At:** | Any accredited institution in Arizona. |

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| **Description:** | **Open to Arizona residents with financial need. Must have a minimum 3.0 GPA. Selection based on financial need, academic achievement, and personal statement.** |

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| **Procedure:** | 1. Submit an official transcript. 2. Submit two letters of recommendation. One from a faculty of last school attended and another from at least one reliable person in the community regarding the character and reputation of the applicant. 3. Submit a brief statement of what your goals in school and life are, along with a statement of how this scholarship will make a difference towards those future educational goals. 4. Submit a letter giving pertinent information: school activities participated in, clubs, honors received in school, interscholastic athletics, community organizations, volunteer service, employment. |

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| **Contact:** | Arizona PTA 2721 N. 7th Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85007-1102 602.279.1811 Toll-free: 800.992.0112 Fax: 602.279.1814 E-mail: [office@azpta.org](mailto:office@azpta.org) <http://www.azpta.org/htm/scholar.htm> |

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Award:** | 2 - $1,000 scholarships; nonrenewable. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **To Study:** | Engineering and Engineering Technologies. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **At:** | Any accredited institution in Arizona. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Description:** | **Open to female freshmen who are either residents of Arizona or attending a school in the state. Must maintain a minimum 3.5 GPA. Selection based on academic achievement and essay.** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Deadline:** | **May 15.** |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Procedure:** | 1. Submit complete application form. 2. Submit transcripts. 3. Submit test scores. 4. Submit essay. 5. Submit references. 6. Submit a self-addressed, stamped envelope. |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Contact:** | Program Coordinator Society of Women Engineers 230 E. Ohio Street, Suite 400 Chicago, IL 60611-3265 312.596.5223 Fax: 312.596.5252 E-mail: [scholarshipapplication@swe.org](mailto:scholarshipapplication@swe.org) <http://societyofwomenengineers.swe.org/> | | | |
| **Award:** | | 1,000 - $1,500 scholarships; non-renewable. Last year 1000 awards were made. |

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| **At:** | Any two-year college, four-year college, trade/technical school, or university. |

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| **Description:** | **$1,500 scholarships available to students based on outstanding community service and academic achievement. Must be entering an accredited U.S. university, college, or technical school in the fall immediately following high school graduation. For additional information and application, go to website:** [**http://www.bestbuy.com/communityrelations**](http://www.bestbuy.com/communityrelations) |

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| **Deadline:** | **February 15** |

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| **Application Requirements:** | Application form, transcript, references. |

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| **Contact:** | Scholarship Committee Best Buy Children Foundation PO Box 9448 Minneapolis, MN 55440 USA 888.237.8289 E-mail: [communityrelations@bestbuy.com](mailto:communityrelations@bestbuy.com) <http://www.bestbuy.com/scholarships> |