



SOUTHWEST HIGH SCHOOL EAGLES

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

“Celebrate your success and stand strong when adversity hits, for when the storm clouds come in, the eagles soar while the small birds take cover” Author Unknown

REMINDERS

Please submit request for letters of recommendation at least two weeks in advance.

FREE official transcripts for scholarship purposes only, from your counselor. For more information, call (760) 336- 4380 or drop by the counseling office.

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS	NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS
<p>The I.V. Gem & Mineral Society Scholarship is open to Seniors who plan to pursue a career an Earth Science field. A grade of “B” or better must be earned for at least one semester in a college Earth Science class before the award is granted. The deadline to apply is April 1, 2010.</p>	<p>The Hearthstone Housing Foundation Scholarships are available in the Counseling Office or can be downloaded at hearthstonehousing.org Senior are eligible to apply and must show proof of enrollment/registration/purchase of school related material to quality for an award. The deadline to apply is April 30, 2010.</p>
<p>The Imperial Valley Japanese American Scholarship application is open to Seniors of Japanese descent. In addition to a completed scholarship application, students must also include two letters of recommendations from teachers, two letters of recommendations from non-school associated adults and two personal essays. Essay prompts and scholarship applications are available in the Counseling Office. The deadline to apply is April 1, 2010.</p>	<p>The STEP UP Positive Change Awards is open to youths ages 16 – 25 years old. This scholarship is not based strictly on academics, but rather on significant and productive life changes made by at-risk youth. In short the program seeks to recognize youth that have chosen to actively “Step Up”. Scholarship applications are available in the Counseling Office. Completed applications must be postmarked by May 6, 2010.</p>
<p>The Imperial Valley Kennel Club Scholarship is open to seniors who plan to major in animal science or an agricultural field, i.e. animal husbandry, zoology, biology, entomology, veterinary medicine, animal health technology, etc. Scholarship applications are available at the Counseling Office. The deadline to apply is April 1, 2010. Please see your counselor if you have any scholarship questions.</p>	<p>FOR FUTURE REFERENCE</p>
<p>The Imperial County Teachers Uniserv Scholarship application is available in the Counseling Office. Seniors with a 3.0+ GPA and plan to purse further education or vocational training after high school are eligible to apply. The deadline to apply is April 13, 2010. Please see your counselor if you have any questions regarding scholarships.</p>	<p>The Rewarding the College Dreams Scholarship 2010 application is available in the Counseling Office. Seniors must have a 2.0+ GPA for the Community College Award and have a 2.8+ GPA for the University Award. If awarded, students will be notified by May 1, 2010 with further information regarding the mandatory Scholarship Awards Ceremony on Sunday, May 23, 2010. All scholarship moneys will be sent directly to college or university campus by September 30, 2010. Completed Scholarship applications packets must be postmarked no later that March 15, 2010. Please see your counselor if you have any questions regarding scholarships.</p>

The El Centro Rotary Club College/ University Scholarship is open to seniors who will attend full-time at a four-year university or other four-year college. Applications are available at the Counseling Office. Completed applications must be returned to your counselor by **April 17, 2010**. See your counselor if you have questions.

The **Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association** of the Imperial County Association funds scholarships to deserving Seniors of Chinese descent. Scholarship applications are available in the Counseling Office. Completed applications must be returned to your counselor by **April 19, 2010**.

The **Southwest Eagles Booster Club** Scholarship applications are available at the ASB Office. This scholarship is open to all Southwest High School Seniors continuing on to post-secondary education. The following five required items must be included in your application packet: Official high school transcript (available from your counselor), Essay 2 pages or less, double spaced stating how you plan to utilize your post-secondary education in the future, personal résumé to include activities achievements, community service, work experience, etc., a letter of recommendation from a teacher and a completed application form (available at ASB). Completed scholarship applications must be returned to ASB. The deadline to apply is **April 23, 2010**.

The **El Centro Education Foundation** will award Community College/ Vocational School and Four-Year University/ College scholarships to Southwest High School Seniors. Scholarship applications are available in the Counseling Office. The deadline to apply is **May 1, 2010**. Please see your counselor if you have any questions regarding scholarships.

The **I.V. Vegetable Growers Association** will award scholarships to seniors who plan to attend a 4 year university and major in agricultural. The deadline is **May 1, 2010**. Local scholarship applications are available in the Counseling Office. Please see your counselor if you have any questions regarding scholarships.

The **MANA Scholarship** is open to 12th grade Latinas who have a 3.0+ GPA and plan to attend a college or university. Applications are available in the Counseling Office. Return your completed application to the Counseling Office by **May 1, 2010**. Please see your counselor if you have any questions regarding

SAMMY 2010 Body by Milk Award Program

Scholarships of \$7,500 await outstanding scholar athletes in grade 12 nationwide. If you are a star both in the classroom and on the field, the Scholar Athlete Milk Mustache of the Year Award Program may be for you. Recipients will be invited to attend a SAMMY 2010 awards weekend in June 2010 and will be pictured in a special congratulatory Milk Mustache ad in a June 2010 edition of USA Today and other national publications. Judging will be based on academic performance, athletic excellence, leadership, community service and milk experience. Application will only be accepted online at www.bodybymilk.com. **Deadline is March 5, 2010.**

Stop Hunger Scholarships 2010 The Sodexo Foundation wants to recognize students in the fight against hunger in America by offering up to five national scholarships of \$5,000 plus \$5,000 grants made in their name to the hunger-related charity of their choice in their local community. Applicants must have demonstrated on-going commitment to their community by performing unpaid volunteer services impacting hunger in the United States at least within the last 12 months. Citizenship or permanent residency of the U.S. and a Community Service Recommendation required. For more information and an application go to www.SodexoFoundation.org or pick up a flyer in Counseling. **Deadline is February 26, 2010.**

Pepsi – Hispanic Heritage Scholarship: For more information, go to www.buildurdestiny.com. If you have any questions, see your counselor. **Deadline to apply is February 16, 2010.**

USA Funds is offering \$1,500 Scholarship to seniors who enroll in college for the 2010-2011 school years. To be eligible, students must have household incomes of \$35,000 or less. Priority consideration will be given to students who are members of an ethnic minority group or have a documented physical disability. For an application and more information about eligibility requirements go to www.usafunds.org/scholarship. **Deadline is February 15, 2010.**

Kentucky Fried Chicken is giving scholarship monies to students who are self-employed or own their own business. Please apply at www.kfcscholars.org or see your counselor for more information. **Deadline is February 10, 2010.**

The AMS Freshman Undergraduate Scholarship Program is open to students attending a university in

scholarships.

The **Sun Community Federal Credit Union** will award \$500 college scholarships to Imperial Valley graduating Seniors. Applicants must be attending a college or university in the fall, have a 3.0 GPA or better, and be a member at the Sun Community FCU with an active account to qualify. Application deadline is **Monday, May 3, 2010**. Scholarship applications are available in the Counseling Office. Please see your counselor if you have any questions regarding scholarships.

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The 2010 Cabrillo Civic Clubs of California Scholarship is open to seniors of Portuguese descent who have a 3.5 GPA or higher. Applicant must be a U.S. citizen and have participated in at least three extra-curricular activities while in high school to be eligible. Scholarship applications are available at www.cabrillocivicclubs.org or visit the Counseling Office for a copy. Application and accompanying materials must be **postmarked by March 15, 2010** and mailed to the address indicated on the application.

The Italian Catholic Federation offers \$400.00 scholarships to Catholic graduating seniors of Italian descent who have at least a 3.2 GPA (or whose non-Italian Catholic parents, guardians or grandparents are members of the Federation). Applicants will be judged on GPA and class rank, financial need, leadership role, faculty recommendation and character reference, 3 extracurricular activities. Pick up an application in the counseling office. **Deadline Friday, March 15, 2010, 3:00 p.m.**

The 2010 Cesar E. Chavez Essay Contest is open to 9th – 12th grade students. Participating students are competing for a cash award. **Postmark Deadline is Friday, March 12, 2010.** All prizes will be awarded at the 12th Annual Cesar E. Chavez Commemorative Breakfast to be held at the San Diego Convention Center on Monday, March 29, 2010. The Grand Prize Winner will be invited to read the winning essay onstage. Application and essay prompt are available at the Counseling Office. See your counselor if you have any questions.

Juniors and Seniors: SCAG Summer 2010 Scholarship Program “The Southern California

the fall and pursuing a career in the atmospheric and related oceanic or hydrologic sciences. Awards will be made on the basis of academic excellence. The scholarship is \$2,500 and is renewable for the sophomore year, providing recipient has demonstrated a successful first year of study. For more information and an online application, go to www.ametsoc.org.

Deadline to apply is February 5, 2010

2010 Sam Walton Community Scholarship is a one-time award of \$3,000 to be applied to college expenses. Must be a US citizen or legal resident, cannot be a Wal-Mart Stores associate or dependent, have a minimum 2.5 GPA, have SAT or ACT scores, enroll in the fall as a freshman at a two-year or four-year university located in the U.S. Applicants will be selected according to financial need, academic achievements and records, and school and community activities and leadership. Log on to <http://www.act.org/walmart/community> for more information. Deadline to apply is **January 29 at 5:00 p.m. Central time.**

2010 Wal-Mart Associate Scholarship Program is open to students whose parent has been an employee of Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. for at least six consecutive months as of March 29, 2010. All other criteria are the same as for the Sam Walton Community Scholarship. Pick up program guidelines in the Counseling Office or go to the website listed above. Deadline to apply is **January 29, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. Central time.**

The American Meteorological Society (AMS) Minority Scholarship is available to seniors attending a university to pursue a career in the atmospheric and related oceanic or hydrologic sciences. It provided \$3,000 the first year and \$3,000 the 2nd year of college. SAT/ACT scores, U.S. citizenship or permanent resident, letter of recommendation and essay required. For more information and an online application, go to www.ametsoc.org. **Deadline to apply is February 5, 2010**

Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student Scholarship applications are available in the Counseling Office or online at www.elks.org/enf/scholars. Scholarship Awards range from \$8,000 - \$60,000. Start your application early, you must include: your official transcript, counselor report, and family financial information. Completed applications must be returned to your counselor before **Monday, November 2, 2009, 3pm.**

“Make The U” or “Haz La U” Educational Grant

Association of Governments (SCAG) Scholarship Program is designed to offer local government and planning experience that students can use to develop long-term career goals. The Scholarship will provide up to \$3,000 scholarship awards for seven high school or community college students from the SCAG region and a two-week externship with a local government planning agency. Recipients will also have an opportunity to meet with their local government representatives and practicing planners to discuss the importance of urban planning and a future career in public service.” **Deadline is Friday, March 5, 2010.** For more information and eligibility requirements, log on to: <http://www.scag.ca.gov/scholarship/>

The Enrique S. Camarena Educational Foundation Scholarship is open to high school seniors. Participation in community service is required in order to qualify for this scholarship. Community service can be performed at school or in the community and may include extracurricular activity as well as volunteer work. Applications are available at the Counseling Office and online at www.camarenafoundation.org. Completed application and required attachments must be **postmarked by March 1, 2010.** See your counselor if you have questions.

The Achievement Award Program for UC Berkeley students is a four-year scholarship program for incoming freshmen. Students may receive up to \$6,000 each year and a new laptop computer. You must apply and be admitted to UC Berkeley, be a California resident, have a 3.0 GPA or above and have financial need. The program is looking for students who have demonstrated a commitment to community service and volunteerism. Go to <http://alumni.berkeley.edu/taap> for more information. **Apply December 15 through February 24, 2010.**

USA Funds is offering \$1,500 Scholarship to seniors who enroll college for the 2010-2011 school year. To be eligible, students must have household incomes of \$35,000 or less. Priority consideration will be given to students who are members of an ethnic minority group or have a documented physical disability. For an application and more information about eligibility requirements go to www.usafunds.org/scholarship. The **deadline to apply is February 15, 2010.**

Performance Scholarships at the University of La Verne: Seniors planning on attending the University of La Verne to study the arts, may apply for this full tuition scholarship. This award is renewable annually

Program: Colgate, in partnership with the Hispanic Heritage Foundation, has launched a new program that “aims to award educational grants to eligible Hispanic students pursuing higher education”. For more information, go to www.colgate.com/hazlau or check with your counselor. **Deadline is October 31, 2009.**

for up to four years. You must apply to the university and submit the performance scholarship application and recommendation form. Applicants and partners are invited to attend Performance Scholarship Day on February 11. Pick up an informational flyer in the Counseling Department. For more information, go to <http://laverne.edu/financial-aid/scholarships/performance-scholarships> **Fall 2010 applications are due February 1, 2010.**

The California Association of Collectors, Inc. is offering excellent scholarships to students that will be attending any accredited college, university or vocational school. Fill out the application and write a three to four-page essay. First place award is \$2,500, 2nd is \$2,000 and third is \$1,500. Entries must be postmarked **by February 1, 2010**. Pick up an application in Counseling.

The California Association of Educational Office Professionals Scholarship (CAEOP) application is now available at www.caeop.org or you may pick-up a copy at the Counseling Office. This scholarship is open to seniors who will major in business administration or education and who meet the eligibility criteria: Financial need, demonstrate scholastic achievement, initiative and have participated in extra-curricular activities. The quality and completeness of application materials will also be considered. Application and accompanying materials must be postmarked by **January 15, 2010** and mailed to the address indicated on the application.

The William S. Davila Scholarship Fund is now open to senior students who are working in the food industry or sons and daughters of parents working in the food industry, such as retail supermarket companies, manufacturers, brokers or distributors of food products sold in retail food stores. (Fast-food or restaurants are not eligible). Awards range from \$1,000 to \$2,500. You must be planning to enroll full-time at an accredited four-year university. For more information and an online application, go to www.sms.scholarshipamerica.org/davila. Applications must be **postmarked by January 20, 2010.**

The Soroptimist International of El Centro: The Violet Richardson Award honors young women who volunteer in their community and are committed to making the world a better place. Girls between 14 and 17 years of age who are dedicated in any volunteer activity, such as fighting drugs, crime and violence; cleaning up the environment; and working to end

discrimination and poverty, may be eligible to win a cash award of \$300.00 for her personal use, plus an additional \$300.00 for the organization where she made a difference. Award recipients may go on to compete for up to \$2,500 at the District and Federation levels. Submit your completed application to the Counseling Office by **December 1, 2009 at 3pm.**

The Horatio Alger California Scholarship Program

is open online. 37 - \$4,000 scholarships will be awarded this year to students in the state of California who have exhibited integrity and perseverance in overcoming personal adversity and who aspire to pursue higher education. To be eligible you must be planning to pursue a bachelor's degree at a 2 or 4-year institution, have financial need, have a minimum 2.0 GPA, be involved in community or co-curricular activities. For information and to **apply online** go to www.horatioalger.org/scholarships/apply.cfm.

Deadline to submit an application is October 30.

CONTEST OPPORTUNITIES

FOR PAST AND FUTURE REFERENCE

The 3rd Annual Create-A-Greeting Card \$10,000 Scholarship Contest is now open. For more information, see Ms. Bernal in the Career Center or visit www.gallerycollection.com and click on Contests and Scholarships in the upper right hand corner. Remember, you can't win if you don't enter.

COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY OPEN HOUSE

For updated information on College/University campus visits and open house dates, please refer to your school of choice webpage.

SPORTS ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

11th Grade Eagle Athletes. Are you planning to participate in college athletics? If you are, you must register with the NCAA Eligibility Center during your junior year. Early registration promotes positive planning and helps avoid issues that may delay your academic and amateur certifications. The registration process is easy. Logging on to www.eligibilitycenter.org and select "Fall 2010 or after".

OVERNIGHT & SUMMER PROGRAMS

University of Oregon Summer Enrichment Program: For students in 6th – 10th grade. "The Summer Enrichment Program (SEP) is a campus-based residential program offering a wide range of exciting academic course options and social activities for gifted students currently in grades 6-10." **Tuition is \$1345.00 and application deadline is May 15, 2010.** For more information, see your counselor or go to: www.uoyouth.org and click on Summer Enrichment Program.

FOR FUTURE REFERENCE

University of Oregon Junior Counselor Leadership Program: Are you an 11th or 12th grader? “The JC Program is held as a part of the Summer Enrichment Program (SEP), a residential academic program for gifted 6-10th graders. JC’s take leadership training courses during the day, and put that training into practice at SEP camp events in the afternoons and evenings, bringing the best parts of being an SEP student and staff member together into one unforgettable experience.” For more information, see your counselor or go to: www.uoyouth.org and click on Junior Counselor Leadership Program. **Tuition is \$945.99 and application deadline is March 10, 2010.**

CAREER SEARCH AND ACTIVITY SITES

www.cacareerzone.org

COLLEGE AND SCHOLARSHIP SEARCH WEBSITES

www.TuitionFundingSources.com

www.college.gov

www.scholarships.com

www.fastweb.com

www.collegeboard.com

www.allscholar.com

www.scholarsite.com

www.adventuresineducation.org

www.college-scholarships.com

www.brokescholar.com

www.finaid.org

RESOURCE SITES FOR ATHLETES

www.kaarme.com

www.ncaa.org

www.tuitionfundingsources.com