

Scholarship Information

Two Types of Scholarships:

1. Inside Scholarships- these are scholarships that are offered by the college/university that you plan on attending.
2. Outside Scholarships- these are scholarships that are outside of the college/university that you plan on attending.

Steps to Inside Scholarships:

1. Google financial aid or scholarships at your specific college/university
2. See which ones you meet the criteria for and apply by the deadline (many private colleges do it automatically like Liberty, Campbell, Gardner-Webb, etc.)

Steps to Outside Scholarships:

1. Join scholarship search engines for free like fastweb.com, unigo.com, chamberofcommerce.org/best-college-scholarships, cappex.com, scholarships.com, etc. For most of these, once you join, you receive emails almost daily for scholarships that match you.
2. Begin to google scholarships that are specific to you (your uniqueness). For example: race, ethnicity, your major, first person in family to go to college, height, red hair, etc.
3. Your parents' job is a resource for scholarships. Some companies give scholarships to children of employees.
4. Your church or denomination may give scholarships.
5. If your parent is active duty, retired, or disabled military there are opportunities. (Unit Scholarship Fund, NC Scholarship for Children of Wartime Veterans, Yellow Ribbon, Post 911, Fry Scholarship, Edith Nourse Rogers Science Technology Engineering Math (STEM) Scholarship, AER Scholarship Program, AAAA Scholarship Foundation, Corvias Foundation Scholarship for Children of Active Duty Service Members)
6. Army (<https://www.goarmy.com/rotc.html>), Navy (<https://www.netc.navy.mil/NSTC/NROTC/>), and Air Force (<https://www.afrotc.com/>) ROTC scholarships
7. Coast Guard College Student Pre-Commissioning Initiative (CSPI) (<https://www.gocoastguard.com/active-duty-careers/officer-opportunities/programs/college-student-pre-commissioning-initiative>)
8. National Guard scholarships <https://www.nationalguard.com/tools/guard-scholarships>
9. If your parent is an active duty, injured, or disabled first responder there are opportunities. (The First Responders Children's Foundation, <https://1strcf.org/general-scholarships/>)
10. Cumberland Community Foundation Scholarships (cumberlandcf.org and link to scholarships)
11. The Scholarship File (<https://collegedebtfree.org/mixes>)
12. Local civic clubs usually give scholarships to students.
13. If you don't live in Cumberland County, check a local public school for scholarships in your area. Public library might have scholarship information.