

Scholarship Opportunities 2017-2018

www.StudentScholarships.org – check out this website to see if any scholarships would apply to you.

NCLD recognizes outstanding high school students with learning and attention issues, general education teachers and schools or school-related programs who support students with learning and attention issues.

Anne Ford and Allegra Ford Thomas Scholarships

The Anne Ford and Allegra Ford Thomas Scholarships offer financial assistance to two graduating high school seniors with documented learning disabilities and/or ADHD who are pursuing post-secondary education.

The Anne Ford Scholarship was first awarded in 2002. In 2009, with a generous donation from Anne's daughter, Allegra, a second scholarship was created and named the Allegra Ford Thomas Scholarship.

To learn more about eligibility requirements, visit our [Eligibility Information](#) page.

Applications for the high school class of 2018 are now open. To apply, click here. The application deadline is November 6, 2017.

Allegra Ford Thomas Scholarship

The Allegra Ford Thomas Scholarship is a one-time \$2,500 scholarship awarded to a graduating high school senior with a documented learning disability (LD) and/or ADHD who will be enrolled in a two-year community college, a vocational or technical training program, or a specialized program for students with LD and/or ADHD in the fall.

The ideal Allegra Ford Thomas Scholar is a student who:

- Articulates his or her challenges and recognizes the need for self-advocacy
- Is committed to post-high school academic study/career training and has begun to set realistic career goals
- Has demonstrated perseverance and is committed to achieving personal goals
- Participates in school and community activities
- Demonstrates financial need

To be eligible for the Allegra Ford Thomas Scholarship, an applicant must:

- Be a graduating high school senior who will be attending a two-year community college, a vocational/technical training program, or specialized program for students with LD and/or ADHD in the fall.
- Submit current financial information
- Provide most current documentation of an identified learning disability and/or ADHD (e.g., psycho-educational report, neuropsychological evaluation, IEP or 504 plan) and has utilized services, supports and/or accommodations.
- Please note: LD and ADHD can co-occur with other issues such as speech/language, hearing and vision, and autism spectrum disorders; to be eligible candidates must provide documentation of a specific LD and/or ADHD.
- Be a United States citizen

For more information about this scholarship, please visit [FAQ](#).

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2018 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards

The application period for the 2018 Prudential Spirit of Community Awards is now open. The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards were created in 1995 to recognize students in middle and high school grades who have demonstrated exemplary community service. These prestigious awards, sponsored by

Prudential Financial in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP), are presented annually on the local, state and national level. For more information, please visit <http://spirit.prudential.com> or stop by the Counseling Office. The deadline to apply is November 7, 2017

AFSCME Family Scholarship

Knowledge Is Power

Looking for financial support for college? Each year the AFSCME Family Scholarship Program provides \$2,000 scholarships to high school seniors that will be renewed for \$2,000 each year for a maximum of four years, provided the student remains enrolled in a full-time course of study. The scholarship may be used for any field of study.

Are You Eligible?

To be eligible, you must:

- Be a graduating high school senior whose parent, legal guardian or financially responsible grandparent is a full dues-paying AFSCME member;
- At the time the scholarship is awarded, be enrolled in a full-time degree program either at an accredited four-year institution or at a two-year institution that will transfer credits to a four-year institution; and
- Have taken the SAT or the ACT.

How to Apply

To apply, you must meet all eligibility requirements as identified above. Make sure your **complete application**, with all support documentation (essay, transcripts, letters of recommendations, SAT or ACT scores, proof of AFSCME membership, etc.), is mailed together in one envelope, **POSTMARKED NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 31**, to:

AFSCME Family Scholarship Program

Attention: AFSCME Advantage

1625 L Street, N.W.

Washington, DC 20036

[Download the application now.](#)

If you have any questions, please call us at (202) 429-5080 or stop in the Counseling Office.

Horatio Alger National Scholarship—Must exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a bachelor's degree, demonstrate critical financial need (\$55,000 or lower adjusted income) Maintain a minimum of 2.0 GPA, display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity. Deadline: Oct 25th. Apply online: scholars.horatioalger.org

Voice of Democracy Competition 2017 - 2018

Since 1947, the Voice of Democracy has been the Veterans of Foreign Wars' (VFW's) premier scholarship program. The Voice of Democracy Program is open to students in grades 9-12 who are enrolled in a public, private or parochial high school or home study program in the United States and its territories. Students wishing to participate must submit their essays to the Counseling Office by the October 20th deadline. The counseling office staff will assist students in this process. All essays submitted must be between 3 and 5 minutes in length when read.

The theme is: **American History: Our Hope for the Future**

The deadline for submissions for the 2017-2018 program for Berlin HS students is October 31st. Therefore essays are due to the Counseling Office no later than October 20, 2017.

<https://www.vfw.org/community/youth-and-education/youth-scholarships>

The Bennington County Choral Society is preparing for its 2017 scholarship auditions, which will be held on Friday, October 20th. This year 1 scholarship of \$1,000.00 will be awarded to a

talented young musician. For more information stop in the Counseling Office. Deadline for application: October 7, 2017