

Tips for applying for scholarships

- **Apply! Apply! Apply!** (Don't be afraid to try! "Throw the spaghetti against the wall & see if it sticks!")
- Read all the requirements and directions for each scholarship you apply for.
- Be persistent. Donate at least one hour each week to apply. It will pay off.
- Pay attention to the deadlines. Use a calendar or spreadsheet to help you.
- Have a scholarship folder to keep all of your application information in one place.
- Begin early! Start in your freshman year if possible.
- When doing searches: search by college majors, career interests, heritage, nationality, religion, special talents, activities, organizations, clubs, parent jobs.
- Fill out your FAFSA on time (February!).
- Contact the financial aid office of the college you are interested in. Get information on "work study" programs through the school. (These programs help with paying for your tuition in turn for working for the school and are flexible with your school schedule.)
- Check at your parent's place of employment. They may offer scholarships.
- Be aware of scholarships specifically for Herriman High students.
- Search for scholarships in your community.
- Search for scholarships specific to the state of Utah.
- Apply for nationwide scholarships as well.
- Be proud of your accomplishments and brag about yourself when applying.
- List community service or volunteer work you have done.
- Make your application stand out!
- Avoid scams such as, "the scholarship is guaranteed or your money back" or "we do all the work" or "you have been selected." NEVER pay for scholarship search websites or for applying for FAFSA!
- Don't leave empty spaces on the application.
- Follow directions and provide accurate information.
- Be detailed.
- Be neat and have a parent or friend recheck your work.
- Keep a back-up file. Always keep a copy for yourself.
- Make sure the application represents you in the best light.