

Scholarship Resources



- **FCPS Scholarship Database**

Students can access their Family Connection accounts via Blackboard (<http://fcps.blackboard.com>) to search for scholarships.

There are two options on the left-hand menu: "Scholarship List" provides information on every scholarship currently loaded into the system and "Scholarship Match" automatically filters out those scholarships for which students are not a match (typically by gender, grade level or minimum GPA).

- **FinAid(www.finaid.org)**

This website offers information on countless scholarships, but also on the Financial Aid process, pre-paid tuition programs and military aid.

- *Scholarships for "Average Students"*

(www.finaid.org/scholarships/average.phtml)

Although these scholarships do not require a high GPA, they do require excellence in a non-academic area.

- *Prestigious Scholarships*

(www.finaid.org/scholarships/prestigious.phtml)

This listing includes the most well-known and lucrative Scholarships, but are also the most competitive.

- *Unusual Scholarships*

(www.finaid.org/scholarships/unusual.phtml)

This page lists some of the more interesting, esoteric and unusual scholarships, such as ones for left-handed a contest using duct tape!

- **Fast Web (www.fastweb.com)**

This website offers a personalized search that compares your background with a database of awards. If you supply an email address, they will notify you when new awards that match your profile are added.

- **College Board's Scholarship Search**

(appl.collegeboard.com/cbsearch_ss/welcome.jsp)

- **BlackeExcel (www.blackexcel.org/link4.htm)**

Provides links to scholarship searches, both general and for students of color.

- **Guaranteed Scholarships (www.guareanteed-scholarships.com)**

The scholarships are listed by school (mostly out-of-state, private colleges) and are unlimited in number. They require no interview, essay, portfolio, audition, competition or other "secondary" requirement. Just meet the criteria listed, adhere to the application deadlines set by the individual school, gain admission, enroll, and receive your scholarship (s).

- **Academic Common Market (www.sreblorg/programs/acm/acmindex.asp)**

Students seeking a major/program not offered by a college in Virginia may qualify for in-state tuition rates at an out-of-state-school. This website lists the agreements established between states and schools for particular programs

