Scholarships

Name of Scholarship: brief summary, **deadline**

See Ms. Dayton with questions about all scholarships*

St. Kate's has a very good list of scholarships available to all students (not just St. Kate's students). It is updated frequently and there is some overlap of scholarships posted here, but there are also many additional scholarships available!
http://minerva.stkate.edu/financialaid2.nsf/schol_list?OpenForm

NE MN Office of Job Training Scholarship: Seniors attending a 2 year technical college and majoring in a career in a high-demand occupation (LPN, Engineering, etc.). Based on financial need. Up to $4,000/year for two years. Applications in Ms. Dayton's office. Apply early!

American Legion Scholarship & Financial Aid Info: For some great scholarships and financial aid information, visit www.legion.org/needalift   or at www.legion.org/scholarships

Model College of Hair Design: Any senior planning on attending the Model College of Hair Design for cosmetology in St. Cloud should talk with Mrs. Dayton to be nominated for a $2,000 scholarship.

Brainerd Elks Most Valuable Student: Available to any high school senior planning on attending college next year (you do not have to be related to a member of the Elks!). Awards available at local, district, state, and national levels. Students must apply at the local level for the opportunity to proceed further. Elks National Foundation (ENF) Scholarships are based on scholarship, leadership, and financial need. Essay required. See Ms. Dayton if you plan on applying for this! Online application at: www.elks.org/enf/scholars/
Deadline: Must have all materials mailed to James VanDuyn by **Nov 30th, 2013**

University of North Dakota: Seniors planning on attending UND, please see Mrs. Dayton ASAP to discuss a potential award.
Deadline: **Dec 16th, 2013**

Young Entrepreneur Award: Seniors who operate their own small business and will be attending a 2 or 4 year college in fall 2014. Apply online at www.NFIB.com/YEA
Deadline: **Dec 18th, 2013**

Best Midwestern High School Writing Competition: *Available to students grades 9-12.* Students are to submit a writing they're proud of from one of three categories (fiction, nonfiction, journalism). Each submission must be accompanied by a teacher recommendation. Visit www.wmich.edu/writingcompetition for more information.
Deadline: **Jan 11th, 2014**

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<u>Marshall H. & Nellie Alworth Memorial Fund Scholarship</u>: Seniors intending on pursuing a career in math or sciences, have an ACT score of 26+, be graduating in the top 20% of their class, and show qualities of character, perseverance, and ambition. The scholarship is $20,000 over 4 years. Visit www.alworthscholarship.org for more information and to apply.
Deadline: **Jan 15th, 2014**

<u>Brainerd Elks Legacy Award</u>: Available to any senior who is a child, grandchild, step-child, step-grandchild, or legal ward of a current paid-up Elk member (membership must be prior to 2011). Students should apply to the Lodge where the Elks membership resides. See Ms. Dayton if you plan on applying for this! Online application at: www.elks.org/enf/scholars/
Deadline: Must have all materials mailed to James VanDuyn by **Jan 31st, 2014 at noon**

<u>Playing with Purpose Award</u>: *Available to sophomores, juniors, or seniors*. Must have a "C" average or higher (2.0 GPA), currently a varsity level athlete in one or more sports, and be an acting Christian. Visit www.playingwithpurpose.org for more details.
Deadline: **Feb 1st, 2014**

<u>NRA Youth Education Summit</u>: *Available to sophomores & juniors*. The summit to Washington D.C. June 23rd-29th, 2014 are for youth who are interested in becoming active citizens and learn more about our government. If chosen to attend, students will become eligible for many scholarship opportunities. Must have a minimum GPA of 3.0. Visit www.friendsofnra.org/yes for more information and an application.
Deadline: **Feb 1st, 2014**

Scholarship Reminders & Suggestions taken from Fast Web's Top 10 Scholarship Tips:

1. **Apply only if eligible.** Read all of the scholarship requirements and directions carefully to make are you're eligible before you send in your application. Your application can't win if you're not eligible for the scholarship.
2. **Complete the application in full.** If a question doesn't apply,note that in the application. Don't just leave it blank.
3. **Follow directions.** Provide everything that is required. But don't supply things that aren't requested-you could be disqualified.
4. **Neatness counts.** Make several photocopies of all forms you receive. Use the copies as working drafts to develop your application packet. Always type your application. If you must print, do so neatly and legibly.
5. **Make sure your essay makes an impression.** The key to writing a strong essay is to be personal and specific. Include concrete details to make your experience come alive: who, what, where, and when.
6. **Watch for deadlines.** To keep yourself on track, impose a deadline on yourself that is at least two weeks before the stated deadline. Use this time to proof read your application.
7. **Make copies before sending.** Before sending your application, make a copy of the entire packet and keep it on file in case your application goes astray. Make sure your name (and social security number if applicable) appears on each page of your application to ensure that nothing is lost.
8. **Give it a final once-over.** Proofread the entire application carefully. Be on the look out for misspelled words or grammatical errors. Ask a friend, teacher, or parent to proofread it as well.

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9. **Ask for help if you need it.** If you have problems with the application, call the funding organization and ask questions.
10. **Remember- your scholarship application represents you!** Your ability to submit a neat, timely, complete application reflects on you. It's your face to this organization. Take pride in yourself by submitting your best application.