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1. College Goal Sunday February 14th - Get Help with **the FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
2. **Scholarship applications** are available in the Scholarship Central Resource room and on our web site.
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**College Goal Sunday 2010**

Sunday, February 14, 2010
2:00 – 4:00pm at Zane State College
1555 Newark Road, Zanesville

Why should I attend?

Applying for financial aid for education beyond high school can be confusing, especially with the forms that are required for federal, state and institutional aid programs. College Goal Sunday is a FREE program that helps students, as well as parents, complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). The FAFSA is a required form to apply for all federal aid programs, many state aid programs and even institutional aid programs which can help pay for higher education opportunities. The FAFSA website is www.fafsa.gov.

What to bring?

- Your IRS 1040 tax return and W2s.
- Your parent's IRS 1040 tax return and W2s.
- Social Security Card and Driver's License.
- Any other benefit and income information.

Register online at: <http://www.ohiocollegegoalsunday.org>, click on the link for Student Registration and fill out the online form, choosing your location as "Muskingum - Zane State College" or call 1-877-428-8246.

The following scholarship applications are available in the **Scholarship Central Resource Room** at the Muskingum County Community Foundation:

Charles L. Warren Memorial Heritage Scholarship

Deadline is **February 15, 2010**. A one-time \$1,000 award awarded by the Ohio Association for College Admission Counseling (OACAC) each year to outstanding high school seniors. See the guidelines and application for eligibility criteria, complete the application and submit it with an official high school transcript, a counselor recommendation and a personal statement by the deadline.

John H. McConnell Scholarship

Deadline is **March 1, 2010 (in office) by noon**. Intended to reward local high school seniors who demonstrate hard work, perseverance, leadership and community involvement. The scholarship winners will be selected annually by the Foundation's Board of Directors and announced in the spring at the end of each Blue Jackets season.

2010 MEOAG Emory O. (Pete) Myers Memorial Scholarship

Deadline is **March 1, 2010**. Scholarship assistance open to residents of Muskingum County who reside in a household with a total annual income at or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines. Applicants must have a high school diploma or GED and be enrolled at a college, university or trade school.

2010 COAD David V. Stivison Scholarship

Deadline is **March 1, 2010**. \$500 scholarships open to residents of the 30-county Corporation for Ohio Appalachian Development (COAD) service area for at least 1 year prior to the deadline. Applicants must reside in a household with a total annual income at or below 200% of the federal poverty guidelines, and have a high school diploma or GED.

2010 Bar G Oil and Gas Scholarship

All application materials must be **postmarked by March 15th, 2010**. A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded in 2010 to a graduating senior from the Mid-East Technology Center in Zanesville to pursue higher-education opportunities. Applicants must be a resident of Muskingum County, planning to attend Zane State College starting fall term of 2010 and have a GPA of 2.5 or higher (on a 4.0 scale).

Bucci-Dietz Art Scholarship

Deadline is **March 15, 2010**. One annual scholarship (usually \$500) to a student artist pursuing a degree in the visual arts field at a college, university or institute. Students are nominated by their art teachers. The recipient is selected with consideration given to artistic achievements, artistic potential, academic ability, dependability, responsibility, motivation and recommendations. Student must be a graduate of a Muskingum County High School.

Rich Greiner Scholarship

Deadline is **March 15, 2010**. The Black/Wilkins Memorial Missionary Trust Fund will award a \$500 Rich Greiner Scholarship to a student preparing for service on the mission field. Applicants will submit an application, short essay and letter of recommendation. See guidelines and application for more details and eligibility information.

Leasure Family Scholarship

Deadline is **March 15th, 2010**. Scholarship awards for teachers who teach and/or live in Muskingum County. Teachers must currently be enrolled in a graduate program (having completed six quarter or four semester hours) at an accredited institution of higher education (full or part time). Consideration given to essay, recommendations, grades, and community involvement. Teachers whose employers reimburse their tuition are ineligible.

Josephine Sebach Scholarship

Deadline is **March 15th, 2010**. Six \$1,000 awards to graduates of Zanesville/Muskingum County high schools who live in Muskingum County. Students must have 2.0 GPA or better, be first-time college students enrolled in a program leading to degree/certificate at an accredited institution, have clear knowledge of specific occupational goals, and exhibit motivation/need for the scholarship.

Carolyn Ann Weiner Scholarship

Deadline is **March 15, 2010**. Two \$500 awards to college-bound high school seniors in Muskingum, Guernsey, and Morgan Counties. Nominations by guidance counselors, ministers, principals or physicians are reviewed on the student's character and ability to succeed in spite of extraordinary challenges. One winner from Rosecrans and one selected other area high school.

2010 Norman, Jones, Enlow & Co. Scholarship

Deadline for nominations is **March 19, 2010**. Multiple awards to seniors in Muskingum County high schools based on leadership, GPA, and activities. Additional award will recognize a student who started his/her high school years in a not so beneficial manner but turned around by the senior year. Students need to be nominated by a guidance counselor or advisor.

M-E Companies, Inc. Scholarships

Applications must be **postmarked by March 31, 2010**. Two \$1,000 Scholarships open to graduating seniors from a high school in Adams, Athens, Fairfield, Hocking, Meigs, Morgan, Muskingum, Noble, Perry, Pickaway, Scioto, Vinton or Washington. Students must have a GPA of 2.5 or better. Selection will be based upon participation in activities, financial need, acceptance into a 4-year program, and two letters of recommendation. Download guidelines and application for more information.

OSU Alumni Club Scholarships for Upperclassmen

Deadline is **March 31, 2010**. Several \$500 scholarships for Muskingum County residents who have been enrolled at any campus of The Ohio State University for at least one academic year. Applicants must have a minimum cumulative college GPA of 2.5 or above.

Butler-Wells Scholarship

Deadline is **April 1, 2010**. Scholarship awards range from \$250 to \$2,500. Criteria include 2.0 GPA; residency in Ohio, Pennsylvania, Indiana, or Illinois with preference for residents of Piqua, Ohio; Cincinnati, Ohio; or Miami County, Ohio. Applicants must demonstrate financial need related to cost of proposed education and commitment to giving back to the community.

The Muskingum County Democrat Club Scholarship

All application materials must be received **by 5:00pm on April 1st, 2010**. An \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a Muskingum County High School college bound senior that is planning a career in the public arena. Applicant must have a GPA of 2.5 or higher (on a 4.0 scale). Applicants will submit an application, a statement of career goals and a 500-750 word essay.

Elliot Educational Endowment Scholarship

Application must be postmarked by **April 15, 2010** to the address listed on the application. A qualified applicant must be a resident of Muskingum County, a graduating senior, a candidate for a higher education degree, or a person acquiring additional skills in a current career.

Muskingum County Farm Bureau Scholarship Award

Deadline is **April 15, 2010**. Scholarship will be between \$250 and \$2000 and the applicant or parents/guardian must be and have been a member of the Muskingum County Farm Bureau in good standing for at least the past three years. The applicant must attend or have attended a Muskingum County High School or if home schooled, reside in Muskingum County. For more details, download the guidelines and application.

Walter M. Hughes Scholarship

Deadline is **April 30, 2010**. Open to residents of Muskingum County with preference given to those who intend to study ceramic engineering. Other branches of engineering, natural & biological sciences, and others will be given preference, in said order. Consideration given to ability, character, need, grades and recommendations.

Delta Kappa Gamma Muskingum County Scholarship

Deadline is **June 30th, 2010**. \$500 grant to a resident of Muskingum County who has graduated from a Muskingum County High School preparing to teach and who is entering the final year of college, ready to student teach. The criteria used to select the recipient will include a strong interest in teaching, recommendations and scholarship.

If you would like any additional details about these scholarships, please contact Terry Kopchak at tkopchak@mccf.org.

You may also download available applications and guidelines from the **Scholarship Central** web site at: http://mccf.org/scholarship_central/students/pay_for_college/index.html#applications

The Community Youth Foundation is now accepting nominations for the **2010 Women of Achievement Bright Futures Award**.

The Bright Futures Award is open to students 18 years or younger in Muskingum County. Nominations should be sent to the Muskingum County Youth Foundation, 534 Putnam Avenue, Zanesville, OH 43701.

Download the guidelines and nomination form on the [Muskingum County Community Foundation web site \(http://www.mccf.org\)](http://www.mccf.org) for details.

Nominations are due **by February 19th, 2010.**

Attention High School Seniors:

Be sure to **check all deadlines** for college and scholarship applications! As your senior year moves along many of these deadlines will sneak up on you before you know it.

Check to make sure your college applications have been submitted. If you have not heard back from the schools you applied to – call to make sure nothing is missing in your application.

If you have not submitted your college applications yet, it is not too late to get started. Take time out of your schedule tonight to turn in a few applications even if you are not sure where you would like to attend. If you are stuck and not sure about your next step, let one of our advisors help you in the process.

Upcoming Events to Plan For:

College Goal Sunday 2010

Sunday, February 14, 2010

2:00 – 4:00pm at Zane State College

College Night 2010

Thursday, March 25, 2010

6:00 – 8:30pm at the Campus Center of Zane State College/Ohio University-Zanesville

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