Scholarships

<u>Autism</u>

The Schwallie Family Scholarship

About: This scholarship aims to support individuals diagnosed with Asperger syndrome

Application: Typically opens in December and closes in May; as of this writing, no deadline has been announced.

Requirements:

• Attend a postsecondary institution of higher education in the US during

the current or last semester

• Have an autism diagnosis.

Amount: \$3000

Number of Awards: Varies.

How to Apply: Application is done online, student must submit proof of diagnosis,

proof of enrollment, one letter of recommendation and three essay questions.

The Lisa Higgins Hussman Scholarship

About: This scholarship aims to support individuals diagnosed with Asperger syndrome

Deadline: Typically opens in December and closes in May. As of this writing, there is no scheduled date for its application to open.

Requirements:

- Attend a postsecondary institution of higher education in the US during the current or previous semester.
- Have an autism diagnosis

Amount: \$3000

Number of Awards: Varies.

How to Apply: Application is done online student must submit proof of diagnosis proof of enrollment 2 letters of recommendation and three essay questions.

Cystic Fibrosis

The Jill M. Balboni Memorial Scholarship

About: In honor of Jill Balboni bone struggled with Cystic Fibrosis at the age of 36. Her lifelong friends want to provide enthusiastic students who suffer from Cystic Fibrosis with a scholarship.

Deadline: Typically, late March; as of this writing, no deadline has been announced.

Requirements:

- Must have a minimum GPA of 3.2
- Combined essay SAT score of 1750 or better composite; ACT score of 25 or better.
- Must be involved in their community.
- Required to attend school full-time 12 credit hours or more and maintain a 3.0 GPA or higher.

Amount: Four awards of \$1250. Number of Awards: Varies.

How to Apply: Application is found online; an essay of at least 650 words is required.

Hearing Impairments

Sertoma Scholarship for the Hard of Hearing or Deaf

About: Leading funder of scholarships for students who are deaf or have trouble hearing.

Deadline: Typically, late March; as of this writing, no deadline has been announced.

Requirements:

- Must have a minimum 40 decibel bilateral hearing loss.
- Must be a citizen of the United States.
- Must be obtaining a bachelor's degree at a full-time college or university in the United States.
- Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.2 on a 4.0 unweighted scale.

Amount: \$1000 Number of Awards: 1

How to Apply: Applicant needs official transcripts, 2 letters of recommendation, and a recent audiogram. The scholarship application can be found online, and everything must be sent by mail.

Learning Disabilities

P. Buckley Moss Endowed Scholarship

About: Aspire to help students who have specific language related learning disabilities.

Deadline: Typically, late March; as of this writing, no deadline has been announced.

Requirements:

- Graduating high school senior.
- Verified specific language related learning disability.
- Show financial need.
- Aspire to attend a four-year college or university or two-year Community College.
- Portfolio of four to six photos.

Amount: Varies (up to \$1000). Number of Awards: Varies.

How to Apply: Application can be found online.

Medical/ Health

Students with Heart Foundation Scholarship

About: Financially helps students with heart diseases and deformities trying to make the college journey less stressful.

Deadline: Open annually from July 1st to October 1 st.

Requirements:

- Graduating high school seniors undergraduate and graduate students.
- High school seniors must provide college acceptance letters, an official schedule and high school transcripts.
- Part time and full-time status at US accredited colleges and universities.

• Letter from licensed physician stating the applicant suffers from a cardiac disease or deformity.

• Overall GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale.

Amount: varies from \$500 to \$6000 Number of Awards: Varies.

How to Apply: A letter of recommendation, official transcripts, a personal statement, and a personal interview or all necessary. The application can be found online.

Hydrocephalus Association Scholarship Program

About: Wants to provide financial assistance to young adults who live with and encounter challenges with hydrocephalus.

Deadline: Deadlines are typically mid-April; as of this writing, no deadline has been announced.

Requirements:

- Diagnosed with hydrocephalus.
- 17 years of age or older.
- One recommendation letter.

Amount: \$1000 Number of Awards: 11

How to Apply: Application can be found online.

Baer Reintegration Scholarship

About: The Sidney R. Baer Jr. Foundation supports organizations that are working to stimulate education and care in the mental health field. They believe that

reintegration is an achievable goal and that dreams are possible for those who have been affected by mental illness.

Deadline: Typically, late-January; as of this writing, no deadline has been announced.

Requirements:

• Diagnosed with bipolar disorder schizophrenia or schizoaffective disorder.

• Must be receiving medical treatment such as medication and psychiatric follow up.

• Must be actively involved in rehabilitation such as part time work and volunteer efforts.

• Must be in high school and planning to obtain either an associate's, bachelor's, or graduate degree.

Amount: Varies. Number of Awards: Varies.

How to Apply: Application can be found online.

Visual Impairments

The Chicago Lighthouse Scholarship Program

About: Strives to help students who are visually impaired by funding a scholarship to help pursue their dreams.

Deadline: Opens in January 2025.

Requirements:

- Personal essay.
- Statement of financial need.
- Eye report.

- Two letters of recommendation.
- Official transcripts.

Amount: Varies. Number of Awards: Varies.

How to Apply: Application can be found online.

National Federation of the Blind Scholarships

About: Goal is to recognize the achievements made by blind scholars.

Deadline: Typically, March 31; as of this writing, no deadline has been announced. **Requirements**:

- Students in the US and Puerto Rico.
- Must be enrolled full time.
- Must participate in the NFB National Convention.
- Confirmation of legal blindness.

Amount: Varies. Number of Awards: Varies between \$3000 and \$12,000

How to Apply: Application can be found online.

American Foundation for the Blind

About: Strives to financially help students who are legally blind.

Deadline: Typically, mid-February; as of this writing, no deadline has been announced.

Requirements:

• Confirmation of legal blindness.

Amount: varies between \$2000 and \$7500 Number of Awards: Varies.

How to Apply: Application can be found online.