

SEPTEMBER 2025

# OSBORNE'S SCHOLARSHIP NEWSLETTER



## QUESTBRIDGE SCHOLARSHIP

- **Due Date: September 30, 2025**
- *Award Amount: Full Tuition to Partner College*
- Applicants:  
**Wonderful opportunity for students with DACA or without documentation**  
Must be graduating senior  
Must demonstrate academic excellence despite financial challenges  
**For application, go to:** <https://apply.questbridge.org/portal/apply>

## COCA-COLA SCHOLARS PROGRAM

- **Due Date: September 30, 2025**
- *Award Amount: \$20,000 (150 scholarships awarded)*
- Applicants:  
Must be a graduating senior in Spring 2026  
Must be a US Citizen, US National, US Permanent Resident, Refugee, Asylees, Cuban-Haitian Entrants, or Humanitarian Parolees  
Must have a cumulative 3.0 GPA  
**For application, go to:** <https://www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org/apply/>

## REGIONS RIDING FORWARD SCHOLARSHIP CONTEST

- **Due Date: September 30, 2025 and then re-submit for December 31, 2025 if you don't win 9/30**
- *Award Amount: \$8,000 (2 remaining scholarships awarded)*
- Applicants:  
Must be at least 16 and starting a two-year or four-year college for the 2026-2027 school year  
Must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0  
Must submit video or written essay about an individual they know personally who has inspired them and built confidence  
This is a quarterly scholarship, so you can apply four times a year even throughout third year in college  
**For application, go to:** [Riding Forward Scholarship Contest](#) | [Regions Bank](#)

## DELTA COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION HBCU SCHOLARSHIP

- **Due Date: October 31, 2025**
- *Award Amount: \$5,000 (Multiple scholarships awarded twice a year)*
- Applicants:  
Must be enrolled at an HBCU or a high school senior accepted into an HBCU  
Must be a Georgia resident  
Applicants can be nominated or can nominate themselves  
**For application, go to:** [HBCU Scholarship - Delta Community Credit Union](#)

**[More Scholarships on next page](#)**

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## BRING BACK THE TRADES SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

- **Due Date: Monthly Drawings**
- Award Amount: \$1,500
- Applicants:  
Must be planning to attend post-secondary school for skilled trade  
Must submit an essay and optional video
- **For application, go to:** <https://bringbackthetrades.org/scholarship-application>

## 5 STRONG SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

- **Due Date: December 1, 2024**
- Award Amount: Full Tuition Scholarship
- Applicants:  
Must be graduating from metro-Atlanta county (this includes Cobb)  
Must be attending a partner HBCU for college and display leadership qualities  
Must meet minimum GPA, ACT/SAT scores  
**For application, go to:** <https://www.5strongscholars.org/apply>

## **THE FOLLOWING SCHOLARSHIPS WILL BECOME AVAILABLE SOON:**

### COBB EMC WALTER HARRISON SCHOLARSHIP

- **Due Date: February 2026 (Date TBD)**
- Award Amount: \$1,000
- Applicants:  
Applicants must be accepted to or enrolled at a two-year college, four-year college, or technical college  
Your residence must be served by Cobb EMC

### COBB EMC COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

- **Due Date: February 2026 (Date TBD)**
- Award Amount: \$5,000 (several available)
- Applicants:  
Must be high school senior, accepted into a 4 year college, complete the application, provide two letters of recommendation, provide transcript, and write an essay  
Your residence must be served by Cobb EMC

### COBB SCHOOLS FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

- **Due Date: Around December 2025**
- **Award Amount: \$1,000 to 2 OHS Seniors**
- Applicants:  
**Open to ALL Osborne seniors regardless of citizenship status**  
Must provide two letters of recommendation, transcript, essay, and resumé  
No Minimum GPA Requirement

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## APPLICATION PROCESS OVERVIEW

### Research Colleges and Build List

- Students are encouraged to have 3-5 colleges to apply to
- Make sure the college offers your desired major

### Check Admission Requirements/Deadlines

- Does the college require SAT/ACT scores? Do you need letters of recommendation?
- Check Admission Deadlines- any application submitted AFTER the deadline will not be reviewed

### Submit your Application to College

- Students can check the college's website to determine how to apply (i.e. CommonApp, through college website, GaFutures, Common Black College App, etc.)
- Colleges often charge application fees (check with counseling for how to have fees waived)

### Send your Transcript

- After submitting your application, go to Naviance to list the college under "colleges I'm applying to"
- If you applied through CommonApp, you must MATCH ACCOUNTS on Naviance's "Colleges I'm Apply to" dashboard
- Go to MyPaymentsPlus.com to pay \$2 for Senior Transcript to be sent

### Apply for Financial Aid

- Complete the 26-27 FAFSA (opens Oct. 1)
- Apply for local or national scholarships
- Go to [www.gafutures.org](http://www.gafutures.org) to check HOPE GPA and look for scholarships
- Go to Naviance to look for scholarships
- Check the college website for scholarships

## CLASS OF 2026 INFO

**The Free Application for Federal Student Aid for the 2026-2027 school year opens October 1, 2025.**

**The FAFSA must be completed to apply for federal and state financial aid (Pell Grant & HOPE/Zell Miller Scholarships).**

**Check FAFSA information here:**

**<https://studentaid.gov/h/apply-for-aid/fafsa>**

## FINANCIAL AID INFO (2025-2026)

### **HOPE Scholarship: covers <100% of tuition**

- Student has 3.0 HOPE GPA, attending Georgia 4-year or 2-year college, U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident

### **Zell Miller Scholarship: covers 100% of tuition**

- Student has 3.7 HOPE GPA attending 4-year or 2-year college, scored 1200 on SAT or 26 on ACT, U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident

### **HOPE Grant: covers <100% of tuition**

- Student is pursuing a certificate or diploma, no GPA requirement, U.S. Citizen or Permanent Resident

### **HOPE Career Grant: Stipend based on credit hours**

- Student is pursuing a certificate or diploma in high demand career field

### **Pell Grant: receive <\$7,395 a school year**

- Based on Financial Need determined by FAFSA

***Check HOPE GPA and Rigor on***

**[www.gafutures.org](http://www.gafutures.org)**