

Raise.me is a micro scholarship site students can begin using as early as their 9th grade year. Scholarships are funded by Facebook, the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and the University of Pennsylvania Graduate School of Education among others. Currently over 100 colleges are participating in the scholarship program including Texas Tech and Oklahoma University. Students can begin creating a portfolio of accomplishments as early as the 9th grade. The level of award will vary depending on the achievement and the university.

The following college fairs are open to all students and attending is a great way to see many schools in one place:

Round Rock ISD College fair is Monday September 26th from 6:00-8:00PM. It will be held at Round Rock High School (201 Deep Wood Drive, Round Rock)

Westlake High School College Fair is Tuesday September 27th. It will be held on the Westlake campus (4100 Westbank Dr., Austin, TX)

Leander ISD will host 125 four-year and two-year colleges and universities, trade programs and the armed services at the College Fair on Wednesday, Sept. 28 from 6-8 p.m. at Vista Ridge High School (200 S. Vista Ridge Blvd. in Cedar Park)

If you will be the first in your family to attend college you are considered a first generation student. www.lmfirst.org is an online community for first generation college students and their supporters. Check out the website to learn about colleges that care about first-gen students.

I have attached a Texas A&M mini medical school flier that may be of interest to any possible pre-med or health science students. It's a great opportunity and would be a positive addition to your resume.

Sophomores and Juniors, here is an opportunity to volunteer and earn scholarship money at the same time: The Students of the Year Campaign is a seven-week campaign that runs from January 12 – March 3, 2017 in which nominated high school Juniors and Sophomores (as individuals or in teams of up to three candidates) participate in a fundraising competition that benefits the life-saving mission of LLS: to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma.

The top fundraising candidate(s) at the end of the seven-week challenge earns the title "Student(s) of the Year" at the Grand Finale celebration, as well as a \$2,500 scholarship to the college or university of his/her choice. This campaign not only offers visibility in the community and local media but also demonstrates candidates' excellence in leadership and community engagement for college applications and professional resumes. If you are interested come see Mrs. Glava and I will nominate you or your team to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.