



Orange County Public

LAKE NONA High School

Important Financial Aid information

Seniors and Parents/Guardians:

Two very important applications opened on **October 1st**. Both applications can help your senior earn scholarships and/or grants to help pay for college. Below is a brief description of each:

Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

The FAFSA application will help some students qualify for up to \$6000 in Pell Grant (money from the Federal Government that does not need to be paid back) or additional institutional aid.

You will need a copy of the parents/guardians 2017 taxes to complete this application. The Pell Grant is need based therefore based on income some families may or may not qualify. It is best for every family to complete the FAFSA as institutions may be able to provide additional institutional aid, need or merit based, if the FAFSA is on file.

<https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/fafsa>

For help with completing the FAFSA application, please take a look at this resource: <https://studentaid.ed.gov/sa/sites/default/files/2018-19-completing-fafsa.pdf>

Students will need to create an FSA ID username and password prior to starting the FAFSA application. The FSA ID serves as an electronic signature in order to submit the FAFSA application via the website. Each senior should create his/her own FSA ID username and password as one or both parents/guardians should as well.

<https://fsaid.ed.gov/npas/index.htm>

Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA)

The FFAA must be completed in order for students to receive the Bright Futures scholarship as well as many other scholarships and grants offered by the state of Florida.

Students must complete this application as soon as possible and continue to work on meeting all eligibility requirements for Bright Futures prior to the end of their senior year.

Students may qualify for other scholarships if they do not meet the requirements for Bright Futures. For more information, visit the following link:

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHome/SAPHome?url=home>



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Scholarship Information

RAISE.ME

Need money to help pay for college?

Have you created your student profile on Raise.me?

If you haven't, what are you waiting for?

Over 1500 LNHS students have joined Raise.me and have collectively earned over \$112 million dollars!

It's super easy to do, simply:

1. Use the link: <https://www.raise.me/join/lake-nona-high>
2. Create a student profile and update regularly with your grades, community service involvement, clubs or sports you participate in, test scores, attendance and many other categories.
3. Choose which colleges you would like to follow. These colleges will reward you with micro-scholarships for all of the great things you are doing in high school. It's like a savings account for each institution you choose to follow that will grow every time you update your profile.
4. Once you apply to one of the colleges you follow on Raise.me, are accepted and enroll at the institution, any money earned on the Raise.me website will be deposited to your student account at the college and will be divided up into a 4 year scholarship!

Start searching for scholarships today with these scholarship databases:

- <http://www.fastweb.com/>
- <https://www.petersons.com/>
- <https://www.unigo.com/>
- <https://www.cappex.com/>
- <https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search>
- <https://www.scholarships.com/>
- <http://www.scholarshipmonkey.com/>
- <https://www.thedream.us/scholarships/>



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Other Scholarship Opportunities (see dates)

Please check the Class of 2021 Google Classroom page for additional scholarship opportunities.

Code: m5makn6

Heisman High School Scholarship

Eligibility:

- Students whose senior year of high school is the 2020-2021 academic year, graduating with the class of 2021.
- Students who have at least a weighted “B” grade average (3.0 GPA) during grades 9, 10 and 11.
- Students who participate or have participated in grades 9, 10, or 11 in at least one of 48 sports recognized by the [International Olympic Committee](#) or the [National Federation of State High School Associations](#).
- Students who have participated in volunteer service, community involvement or leadership within his/her school or community.
- Students who are a resident of one of the 50 United States or the District of Columbia (D.C.).

Students must submit their application by October 20th, 2020 6 PM ET

<https://heismanscholarshipapplication.com>

Horatio Alger scholarships

Up to \$25,000 National | \$2,500 career/technical | Plus more opportunities.

Student must be a senior, exhibit a strong commitment to pursue and complete a Bachelor's Degree at an accredited non-profit public or private institution, have financial need, be involved in co-curricular and community service activities, display integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity, 2.0 GPA, U.S. Citizen

Application deadline: October 25, 2020

<https://scholars.horatioalger.org/>

Best Bug Scholarship

\$1000 scholarship

Application deadline: October 31st, 2020

Poseidon Moving

\$1000 scholarship

GPA 3.0 or higher

Application deadline: November 1st, 2020

SaplingHR

\$1000 scholarship

Applicant must have a passion for people operations and Human Resources.

Application deadline: November 1st, 2020

<https://www.saplinghr.com/about/scholarship>

Create Real

Student must submit creative art regarding reckless driving.

Application deadline: November 12th, 2020

<http://createrealimpact.com>

Hispanic Heritage Foundation Youth Award

Student must be of Hispanic Heritage, 3.0 GPA

Application deadline: December 6th, 2020

<https://hhfawards.hispanicheritage.org>

NHS Scholarship

Application opens: October 1st, 2020

Application deadline: December 1st, 2020 5 PM EST

Students must verify their NHS account prior to applying for the scholarship.

<https://www.nhs.us/studentaccount/>

NHS Scholarship 2020–21

600 outstanding NHS high school seniors will be granted scholarships in support of college attendance.

1 National Winner: \$25,000 scholarship

24 national finalists: \$5,625 scholarship

575 national semifinalists: \$3,200 scholarship

Total amount of scholarships awarded: \$2 million

NHS student members who meet the following criteria are eligible to apply for the NHS Scholarship this year.

Applicant must be:

- A high school senior
- An active NHS member in good standing
- Currently enrolled at a school with an affiliated NHS chapter
- Graduating in spring of 2021
- Planning to enroll at a postsecondary college or university in fall 2021

Link to apply on October 1st: <https://www.nhs.us/advisers/the-nhs-scholarship/>

The Science Ambassador Scholarship

Application deadline: December 14th, 2020 12:59 PM ET

<https://www.scienceambassadorscholarship.org/#apply>

OohLaLaPets Scholarship

\$1000 scholarship

Application deadline: December 15th, 2020

<https://oohlalapets.com/scholarships/>

Project Weather Scholarship

Application deadline: January 6th, 2021

<https://mynews13.com/projectweather>

Public Education and Citizenship Statewide Essay Program 2020-2021

This essay contest is for seniors planning on attending a State of Florida supported institution.

Please check the Class of 2021 Google Classroom Page for complete application packet.

Class of 2021 Google Classroom code: m5makn6