

Winters Mill High School Scholarship, Awards, & Opportunities Newsletter 2011-2012



The Timothy J. Atkinson Memorial Scholarship

This \$1,000 award sponsored by the ARC of Carroll County open to Carroll County residents, who will be full-time students at an accredited college or university, interested in entering a field that will assist or advocate for people with disabilities. Interested students must submit their high school transcript, a letter of recommendation from an administrator, teacher, or volunteer coordinator, and an essay explaining why you are interested in entering this field. The application packet deadline is **April 1, 2012**. Download the application through the ARC at www.arccarroll.com under "Publications and Resources" or stop by the School Counseling Department for an application and further information.

The Baltimore Community Foundation (BCF)

The Baltimore Community Foundation is offering scholarships for graduating seniors. The common application can be used to apply for any of the scholarships for which students are eligible. Scholarships through the foundation range from \$500 up to \$12,500. The application and all materials must be postmarked by **April 2, 2012** and can be downloaded from www.bcf.org. Please stop by the School Counseling Department for further information.

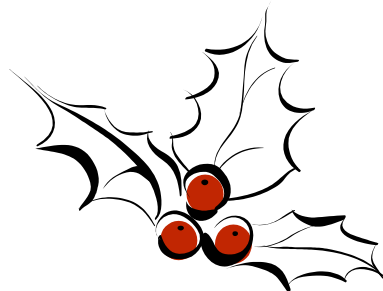
Gram's Promise Charitable Foundation, Inc.

Gram's Promise is looking forward to awarding the Elizabeth Ann "Libby" Frist Memorial Scholarship to deserving seniors in 2012. Maryland high school seniors who are tobacco-free and have demonstrated a commitment to anti-smoking advocacy are encouraged to apply. Last year, Gram's Promise awarded scholarships to students from six different schools. I would appreciate once again your help in making available the application. More information can be found in the counseling office. The deadline for this award is **April 27, 2012**. The application is also available at our website: www.gramspromisefoundation.org.

DEADLINES IN DECEMBER

Central Maryland Chapter-Education Foundation

The AFCEA (Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association) is offering \$10,000 scholarships to seniors (\$2500 over four years). To qualify for this award, the candidates have to be well-rounded students pursuing education in the field of science or engineering supportive of national defense (some examples: computer science, math). The student also has to stay in this field of study, of national defense, through their graduation. Generally, students have a GPA of 3.5 (at least) and a combined verbal and math SAT of 1200. Application packets must contain a completed application, an essay expressing academic areas of interest/career goals and how these areas support national defense, official transcript, and two letters of recommendations. The application must be postmarked by **December 10, 2011** and can be downloaded from www.afceacmd.org. Please stop by the School Counseling Department for further information.



DEADLINES IN JANUARY

American Legion Oratory Contest

The American Legion Oratory contest is open to all students under the age of 20. Awards start at \$1,500 with 1st place award of \$18,000. For more information, please see Ms. Hobson in the counseling office or go to www.legion.org. The contest is scheduled for January 19, 2012 and the deadline to enter is **January 9, 2012**.

The Gates Millennium Scholars (GMS) Program

The Gates Millennium Scholars Program has started taking applications for 2012. Students eligible for this scholarship include: Students who have a GPA of 3.3 or earned a GED, students who are leaders in and outside of school, students who are African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander, or Hispanic Americans, students who are a citizen, national, or legal permanent resident of the United States, students who will enroll at an accredited United States college or university as a full-time student (fall of 2012), and students who meet the Federal Pell Grant

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criteria. The complete application packet must be received by **January 11, 2012** and can be accessed from www.gmsp.org. Please stop by the School Counseling Department for further information.

Fairleigh Dickinson University's Metropolitan Scholar Award

This is a school specific scholarship for Fairleigh Dickinson University. If you are applying to Fairleigh Dickinson University and would like to apply for this scholarship, please see Ms. Hobson in the WMHS Counseling office for more information. The deadline for this is **January 15, 2012**.



DEADLINES IN MARCH

Society of Women Engineers (Baltimore-Washington Section)

This award is available to female seniors who intend to major in engineering. To qualify for this award candidates must have applied to an ABET/CSAB accredited engineering program, have an overall GPA of 3.0/4.0 or equivalent, and must be a US citizen or permanent US resident. Application material must ALL be postmarked by **March 1, 2012** or received by March 1, 2012 if sending via e-mail. For more information and application, please visit the website at www.baltwashswe.org/scholarships or stop by the School Counseling Department.

* Additional scholarship opportunities are available at <http://societyofwomenengineers.swe.org>.

Masonic Charities of Maryland Annual Educational Grant

This \$1,000 scholarship is available to seniors, graduating from a Maryland public High School, who plan on pursuing higher education (attending a two or four-year College or vocational school). Interested students must live in Maryland and be a U.S. Citizen. Students are evaluated on their resume, academic achievements, service to the community, involvement with extracurricular activities, financial need, and evaluation from principal or counselor.

The scholarship deadline to hand in to WMHS Counseling Department is March 15, 2012

Greater Carroll Lions Club Scholarship

This \$1,000 scholarship is available to a graduating senior who will attend Carroll Community College. The application deadline is **March 26, 2012** and must include the completed application, official HS transcript, FAFSA Student Aid Report, two Letters of Recommendation, and a Personal Letter of Interest for the Scholarship. Please stop by the School Counseling Department for an application and further information.

DEADLINES IN APRIL

Carroll Post 31 American Legion Scholarship

This scholarship opportunity is available to seniors who plan to pursue higher education (two or four year institution). Selection for this scholarship will be based upon character, Americanism, leadership, scholarship, and financial need. The application deadline is **April 30, 2012** and along with a completed application, students must also submit: HS transcript, two letters of recommendation, an essay explaining why you have chosen your particular career path and how the scholarship will help you, a list of extracurricular activities, and a college acceptance letter. Please stop by the School Counseling Department for and application and further information.



DEADLINES LATER IN 2012

BigSun Scholarship

This \$500 award is available to any high school senior who is involved in a sport. To qualify for this award, candidates meeting the criteria must also submit an essay answering the question, *How has your education contributed to who you are today? Why do you want to earn a college education?* The short essay must be e-mailed to athleticawards@bigsumathletics.com by **June 22, 2012**.

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Imagine America

The Imagine America award opportunity is available to high school graduates pursuing postsecondary education. To qualify for consideration for this \$1,000 award, applicant's must be a graduating high school senior with a high likelihood of completing postsecondary education, have an overall GPA of 2.5 or higher, demonstrate financial need, and have volunteered throughout their senior year.

Interested applicants should stop by the School Counseling Department and speak with Mrs. Hobson (names are submitted by the High School). Applications can be downloaded from <http://www.imagine-america.org>. Please stop by the School Counseling Department for further information. **2011 Graduates have until 12/31/11 to apply while 2012 graduates can apply from 1/1/2012 through 12/31/2012.**

Great reference websites for scholarships available to

WMHS students are:

scholarships.com

fastweb.com

studentscholarships.org/scholarship.php