

Finding Outside Sources for Scholarships and Grants

Locating scholarships can be tricky if you don't know where to look. Here are a few places to start searching:

Ask businesses, professional groups, radio stations, rotary clubs, etc., in your own community. You might find a small company with a scholarship that's gone unawarded for years.

Tell family, friends, co-workers, parents' employers, teachers, and neighbors that you're looking for scholarships - and that no scholarship is too small. Someone might come back with a little-known award through his or her employer or some other avenue that you never would have known about otherwise.

Books

Bookstores and libraries have many scholarship directories available. The reference section of your local library can be helpful finding these resources.

How to Go to College Almost for Free, by Ben Kaplan

The Scholarship Book

Peterson College Money Handbook

Grants Register This book is published each year

Online

Search the web for "scholarship search engines" and you'll find many great sites. Your student can input scholarship criteria, and the engine will come up with applicable scholarships.

WWW.FASTWEB.COM

<http://www.collegeboard.com/siemens/index.html> Siemens Competition

Warning: No reputable organization or website will ever ask you to pay for providing scholarship information. Do not pay a person or website to hunt for you. Chances are you won't get enough funding to pay for their fees, let alone to pay for school.