

# Counselor Connection



"It's how you deal with failure that will determine how you achieve success."  
- David Feherty

## MONEY MONEY MONEY

**Aubrey Lee Brooks** - Scholarship available to students who are accepted and plan to attend NC State, Chapel Hill or UNCG. 17 scholarships are awarded annually to graduating seniors from 14 surrounding counties, including Stokes, on the basis of academic standing, character, leadership, financial need, and the will of the applicant to help themselves prepare for a career as a useful and informed citizen. Selection is very competitive and students should have high SAT/ACT scores, grades, participated in extracurriculars, been involved in the community and/or been employed. For more information see Mrs. Sawyer or visit [cfnc.org/brooks](http://cfnc.org/brooks) **Deadline for submission (as well as SAT scores and FAFSA application) is Thursday, January 31.**



**Aspiring Animation Professional Scholarship Program** - Opportunity for students interested in pursuing a career in animation to win \$1000 towards their education. For more information and to apply visit [www.animationcareerreview.com](http://www.animationcareerreview.com)

**Daughters of the American Revolution (National):** Various scholarships available to high school seniors available in political science, government, economics, nursing, music, and other general scholarships. For more information and an application packet see Mrs. Sawyer. **Deadline Feb 1.**

**Daughters of the American Revolution (North Carolina):** seniors interested in applying for this state level scholarship should pick up an application in guidance. **Deadline Feb 1.**

**Watson & Odyssey Scholarship (Elon)** - need based scholarships valued at \$30,000-\$48,000, including grants up to \$4,000. For more information or to apply see Mrs. Sawyer or visit [www.elon.edu/apply](http://www.elon.edu/apply)—**Deadline: February 10.**

**Mel Hughes Scholarship (Allegacy FCU)** - Four \$1300 and four \$250 scholarships are available through Allegacy FCU. If you are a member of Allegacy with at least a 3.0 GPA visit [www.allegacyfcu.org/scholarships](http://www.allegacyfcu.org/scholarships) to pick up an application in guidance. **Deadline February 11,**

**Golden Leaf Foundation:** 215 scholarships are awarded each year to students demonstrating financial need and enroll in an NC public university or qualifying private college. Scholarships are valued at \$12,000 (\$3000 a year). Applications will become available in January, however students can visit [CFNC.org/goldenleaf](http://CFNC.org/goldenleaf) for more information. **Deadline for applications and FAFSA is March 1.**

**Stokes County Arts Council Scholarship:** available to Stokes County residents graduating from one of the county high schools planning to major in and pursue a career in an arts related field. For more information pertaining to eligibility and to pick up an application see Mrs. Sawyer. **Deadline March 15.**

**SECU People Helping People Scholarship:** one recipient per school valued at \$10,000 (\$1250 paid per semester) to attend one of the 16 colleges in the UNC system. Eligible seniors must have been accepted to one of the 16 UNC system schools, be a US citizen and resident of NC, exemplifies the philosophy of People Helping People through demonstrated leadership, excellence of character, integrity, and community involvement. For more information see Mrs. Sawyer. **Deadline March 25.**

**Janice M. Scott Memorial Scholarship:** 3-5 scholarships for a one time award of \$2500 available for high school seniors who have a 3.0 GPA or higher, will be enrolling full time in an accredited college or university within the 50 states or DC, have demonstrated leadership abilities, and who demonstrate financial need by parents' income not exceeding \$100,000 a year. Applications are available in guidance. **Deadline March 31.**

**Whitlow-Osborne Scholarship:** Students planning to enter an emergency services curriculum at a community college, technical institute, or trade school are encouraged to apply for this local scholarship valued at \$2000 (\$500 paid each semester). Awards based on scholastic achievement, intellectual ability, financial need, character, and promise of future contribution to society. Applications available in the Counseling Office. **Deadline March 31.**

**Abbott & Fenner Scholarship** - \$1000 scholarship available high school seniors based on an essay regarding the following topic: What have you done outside the classroom that demonstrates qualities sought after by the post secondary institution that you are hoping to attend? Also, which of these qualities means the most to you? For more information and to apply visit [www.abbotandfenner.com/schoalrships](http://www.abbotandfenner.com/schoalrships) by **June 14**

# JANUARY

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side of the screen

### Upcoming Dates & Events

Jan 17 - Financial Aid Meeting 7:00 pm

Jan 21 - MLK Jr Holiday NO SCHOOL

Jan 24 - ASVAB Administration

Jan 24 - Progress Reports

Feb 6 - Early Dismissal 12:00 noon

Feb 7 - FAFSA Night @ SSSH 6:00 pm

**More scholarship opportunities on the next page...**

**Ayn Rand Essay Contests:** visit <http://aynrandnovels.org/essay-contests.html> to learn more about essay contests pertaining to Ayn Rand novels. One entry per student. **Deadlines vary.**

**B. Davis Scholarship:** Up to \$1,000 awarded for an essay contest on the following topic: *In less than 1000 words discuss what you would consider to be the most important issue that society has to deal with in the next 10 or 20 years? Why do you think this is so important?* Submit essays through e-mail to [awards@studentawardsearch.com](mailto:awards@studentawardsearch.com). Visit [www.studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm](http://www.studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm) for more information. **Deadline May 27.**

**Big Sun Scholarship:** \$500 available for student athletes. Seniors that participate in a sport are encouraged to apply. Visit [www.bigsunathletics.com](http://www.bigsunathletics.com) for more information and to apply. **Deadline June 21.**

**Other NC State College of Education Scholarships:** visit <http://ced.ncsu.edu/admissions/scholarships>

**Various social awareness scholarships available at** <http://www.dosomething.org/scholarships>

Many more opportunities for scholarships—do the research!

[Www.south.stokes.k12.nc.us](http://www.south.stokes.k12.nc.us) (go to Counseling Center then Scholarships)

[Www.fastweb.com](http://www.fastweb.com)

[Www.schoolsoup.com](http://www.schoolsoup.com)

AND ALWAYS CHECK IN THE COUNSELING OFFICE FOR NEW ONES THAT ARE BECOMING AVAILABLE FREQUENTLY!!

### FINANCIAL AID

Your applications are submitted and now you begin the waiting game.....

But while you wait you can get yourself squared away with the financial aid process. This can be confusing so join us Thursday, January 17 at 7:00 pm in the Media Center for an informational presentation from Melanie Matthews—a financial aid representative from Surry Community College. This will be an overview of the FAFSA, loans, grants, and an opportunity to have some questions answered about the process.

Everyone pursuing education after graduation, be it a 4-year program, a 2-year program, or a vocational program should plan on completing the FAFSA (free application for federal student aid) in February. Encourage parents to complete their taxes early - the earlier you complete this application the more money you may have the opportunity to receive for college. Visit [www.fafsa.ed.gov](http://www.fafsa.ed.gov) to apply for your pin and begin the application process for 2013-2014 school year. Parents will need to apply for a pin as well. Also, please join us on Tuesday, February 7 at 6:00 pm in the Media Center for FAFSA Night at South Stokes. Financial Aid volunteers will be available to assist parents and students complete the FAFSA online.

Students unable to attend SSHS FAFSA night and still needing assistance completing the application can also take advantage of the state wide FAFSA Day on Saturday, February 23. Check [www.cfnc.org](http://www.cfnc.org) for nearby locations.

**HAVE A GREAT SEMESTER  
AND GO OUT  
WITH A BANG!**