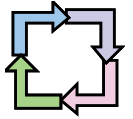
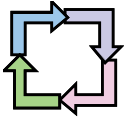


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R-H 2019 Awards Nights



Underclassmen Awards

Thursday, May 9th
(Class of 2020 & 2021)

Senior Awards Night

Wednesday, May 29th

*Rush-Henrietta recognizes high school academic achievements, scholarships,
department awards and special recognitions.*



COUNSELING CENTER UPDATE

APRIL 2019

IMPORTANT DATES:

April 3: End of Quarter 3

During the month of April, RH School Counselors will be...

Eleventh grade school counselors will be conducting College & Career Guidance sessions.

Tenth and eleventh grade school counselors will be reviewing Quarter 3 report cards and meeting with students to discuss strategies to end the year successfully.

Senior counselors continue to process scholarship applications, as well as, meet with students who are in jeopardy of not graduating. Counselors are encouraging students who have already been accepted to colleges to maintain a high level of academic performance through the end of the year. See the article on page 4 of *The Counseling Connection* regarding consequences of declining grades in the second semester of senior year.

Senior counselors will be conducting a survey asking about future plans. Stay tuned for more information.

If your student is a senior, please encourage her/him to share college acceptances with Mrs. Leatzaw in the Counseling Center.

Looking ahead to May and June 2019:

May 6-17 - Advanced Placement Exams
May 8 - National Honor Society Induction Ceremony
May 9 - Underclassmen Awards Ceremony
May 29 - Senior Awards Ceremony
June 18-26 - Regents Exams
June 28 - High School Graduation Ceremony



Important Information for Seniors:



Remember to schedule your senior appointment with your counselor. This meeting is required regardless of your post-secondary plans. Stop in to the Counseling Center Reception Desk to make an appointment with any of the secretaries.

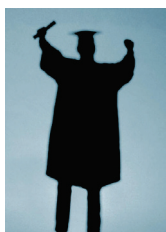
- ✓ Be sure you've submitted your electronic application using either the Common Application or a specific college application.
- ✓ If you've applied using a paper application, be sure to submit all required paperwork along with the green sheet to Mrs. Leatzaw in the Counseling Center.
- ✓ Be sure to submit a completed green sheet (transcript request form) to Mrs. Leatzaw in the Counseling Center for each college you've applied to.
- ✓ List all colleges you've applied to in your Naviance Student account under 'Colleges I'm Applying to.'

College Acceptance:

- ✓ When you receive an acceptance from a college or you know which college you will be attending, be sure to fill out a yellow slip in the Counseling Office and give it to Mrs. Leatzaw. One pennant will be put on display in the Cafeteria for each college a senior is accepted to.
- ✓ If you applied to any colleges that require mid-year grades, see Mrs. Leatzaw in the Counseling Office for a blue request form.

After You Receive Your Admission Decisions:

- ✓ You must notify each college or university that accepts you whether you are accepting or rejecting its offer. You should make these notifications as soon as you have made a final decision as to the college you wish to attend, but no later than May 1. It is understood that May 1 will be the postmark date.
- ✓ You may confirm your intention to enroll and, if required, submit a deposit to only one college or university. The exception to this arises if you are put on a wait list by a college or university and are later admitted to that institution. You may accept the offer and send a deposit. However, you must immediately notify a college or university at which you previously indicated your intention to enroll.
- ✓ If you are accepted under an early decision plan, you must promptly withdraw the applications submitted to other colleges and universities and make no additional applications. If you are an early decision candidate and are seeking financial aid, you need not withdraw other applications until you have received notification about financial aid from the admitting early decision institution.



5 Ways to Get Your College Admission Rescinded

After working hard for four years of high school, taking the SAT, completing who knows how many applications, and finally receiving your college acceptance letter, it's tempting to treat your college admission as the go-ahead for full-force senioritis. But before you slack off completely, remember that it's still possible for colleges to rescind your application after you receive your acceptance letter. If you don't believe it, then those of you who stopped reading your letter after "Congratulations!" should take another look. If you read carefully, it probably says something along the lines of your admission being "conditional on the successful completion of the final year of high school."

To decipher what this really means, Her Campus spoke to experienced collegiates, high school seniors, and a college admissions expert about post-admission college rejection and ways that it could happen to you.



1. Stop caring about your grades

Colleges won't usually rescind your application for a slight slip in your grades, but letting them plummet is another story entirely. "A college's acceptance is conditional on completing the senior year at the same level of performance as when the student was admitted," says Christine VanDeVelde, author of [College Admission: From Application to Acceptance, Step by Step](#). "A significant change in the academic record, such as a notably lower grade in one or more classes, might make a college reconsider." But how would your college even find out about your grades dropping? "Colleges receive an end-of-the-year report from your guidance or college counselor, and they can tell when you took your case of senioritis a bit too seriously," says Lily Herman, co-founder of [The Prospect](#), a college admissions website. "Colleges take different actions depending on the severity of your grade slippage. Sometimes, if your grade dropped significantly in only one class, the college will put you on academic probation, in which case you'll need to prove yourself by earning good grades during your first semester. However, an overall drop in grades could very likely result in your acceptance being rescinded." According to a study by the National Association for College Admission Counseling (NACAC), colleges say final grades are the reason for revoking admission 68.7 percent of the time.

If it's too late to reverse a slipping GPA, however, don't sit around hoping the school won't notice. Instead, be proactive! "San Diego State University states very clearly on their website that seniors cannot receive below a C in any class, even gym, or they have the right to rescind a student's acceptance," says Nicole Gilmore, a student at the school. "Earlier this year, I had a 68 in my calculus class and was freaking out, so I contacted an adviser at SDSU to let them know. It turned out that they were happy I was honest with them instead of trying to hide the grade, so they let it slide." If worse comes to worst, be completely honest and ask an academic adviser if there's anything at all you can do to preserve your admission at the school.

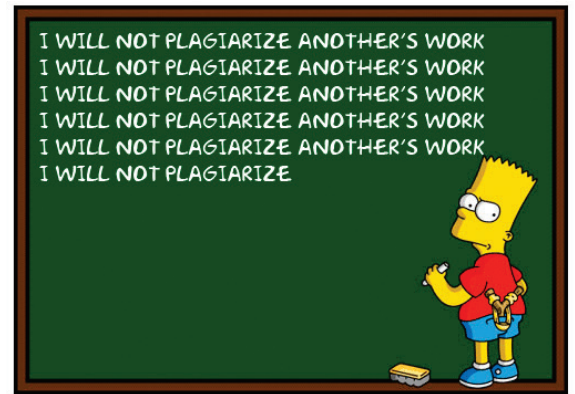
2. Break the law

This may seem like a no-brainer, but if you care about enrolling in college, absolutely avoid doing anything illegal—even if you think "it's a one-time-only thing" or that you'll "never get caught." "Suspension for drug or alcohol use might make a college reconsider," says VanDeVelde.

3. Get in trouble with your high school

School rules should also be treated with extreme caution. “A lapse in judgment or integrity, such as cheating, plagiarism, or any disciplinary action for behavioral issues, might make colleges reconsider,” says VanDeVelde.

Also, be careful of what you post on Facebook and Twitter. “During my junior year of high school, there was a scandal in the senior class involving a *Gossip Girl*-esque Twitter account,” says Herman. “The colleges of the seniors involved received notices along with the high school’s end-of-year report saying that they’d been through a disciplinary hearing and had sanctions brought against them.”



Never give anyone (students, teachers, administrators, or otherwise) a reason to put something on your record. “The seniors’ acceptances were not rescinded, but one or two of the ‘ringleaders’ were put on strict disciplinary probation by their respective colleges,” says Herman. “Basically, if they were caught doing anything wrong or illegal during their freshman year of college, they’d be expelled.”

In the case of college admissions, your high school record is just as important as your criminal record.

4. Go crazy during pre-frosh weekend



If you’re invited to visit the university after your acceptance, display the behavior of someone who deserves to be a student there. Students are a direct reflection of the university they attend, and any misconduct during accepted students (“pre-frosh”) weekend is a red flag in admissions officers’ eyes.

“There can be severe consequences for behaving badly at a pre-frosh or admitted student’s weekend event,” says Herman. “To some extent, university administration officers are aware that current students will try to get the pre-frosh intoxicated during their stay. But going too far can lead to poor results.” Think about it: does a college really want a student who doesn’t even respect the school enough to behave before she is even a student there?

Annie Pei from The University of Chicago saw others make poor pre-frosh weekend decisions before her freshman year. “During my senior year of high school, two or three accepted students got their acceptances rescinded because they drank so much at a party held by one of the frats that they were sent to the ER,” she says.

Rather than be tempted by underage drinking, stick to alternative ways you can have fun and be social during pre-frosh weekend by exploring the campus and the surrounding community. If you do decide to go to a party, stay sober while you dance the night away with your host or pre-frosh posse. The Big Brother eye of the admissions office is still watching over you, so treat admitted student’s weekends as another phase of the interview process. Disciplinary issues are no joke, so be on your best behavior.

5. Quit your extracurricular activities

Once you're accepted to college, it's tempting to trade in the extracurriculars that led to your acceptance for extra hours at the mall with your friends. However, many colleges may require your guidance counselor to submit a short update on your involvement along with your end-of-the-year transcript.

"Extracurriculars aren't usually the only reason that a college rescinds an acceptance," says Herman. "But combining a general lack of motivation with poor grades could paint the picture that you totally slacked off after getting into college." Don't change who you are as a student just because you're no longer impressing colleges with a resume. Fulfill your commitments in any clubs or groups you're involved in so you can not only maintain your acceptance, but also leave a legacy at your high school before leaving one at your college!

What to do if you receive a warning

If you're in trouble with the university, you will most likely first receive a warning letter. Especially in the cases of slipping grades or lack of extracurricular involvement, the school will probably ask you to explain your situation or reasons for a slip-up in academic performance. "If a student experiences a decline in GPA or a disciplinary issue, let the college where you've been accepted know about it with a phone call—the sooner the better," says VanDeVelde. Avoid excuses and take the responsibility to own up to your mistakes. Explain what you've done to solve the issue as well as all that you've learned from it. If your drop in performance is due to a difficult family situation or extended illness, you may need to write a letter or submit documentation explaining your situation.

Once you're accepted to college, don't let senioritis blow your chances at an incredible four years and a college degree. You've worked hard for this long, so keep it up, future collegiate. You're almost there!

Excerpted from: <http://www.hercampus.com/high-school/5-ways-get-your-college-admission-rescinded>

A Warning: Colleges Can Change Their Minds

Tamar Lewin

A word of warning to those high school seniors celebrating the end of the whole college admissions process: Not so fast.

Yes, the choice is made, and the deposit is paid. But there's one more hurdle — namely, finishing senior year with grades that bear some resemblance to the ones that won the admissions offer.

Somewhere in all those college letters, after the "congratulations" part, is a sentence to the effect that admission is conditional upon the student completing high school with the same academic and personal achievement on which the offer is based.

And they mean it. Each year, colleges rescind offers to students whose grades plummeted after they were admitted. Generally, one stray "C" won't have serious repercussions. But make it a couple of "D's on a transcript that had been crammed with A's and B's and there may be trouble.

"It's felt to me like there's an increasing number of students whose grades go down the tubes senior year,

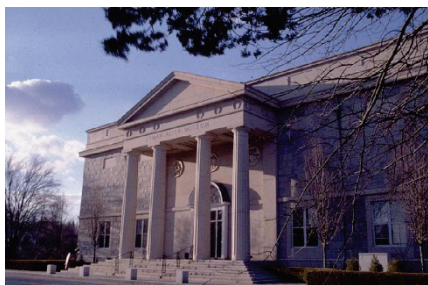
and I want them to know that we do look at their end-of-year transcripts, and we rescind admissions decisions,” said Robert Clagett, the dean of admissions at [Middlebury College](#). “Every year that I’ve been here, we’ve rescinded a few decisions in July, and frankly, we’ve seen the problems on the upswing.”



The [University of Washington](#) revokes about two dozen offers a year after reviewing final transcripts, a number that has stayed fairly steady, according to Philip Ballinger, the director of admissions.

“We see it as a matter of fairness to students who were not admitted or wait-listed,” Mr. Ballinger said. “Students know it can happen, and counselors tell us thank you, thank you.”

At [Connecticut College](#), Martha Merrill, the dean of admission, said her office sent out 13 warning letters — they have two variants, which she calls “big oops” and “little oops” — last summer, compared to 9 the previous year.



Bad grades are not the only possible pitfall. Some students lose their admissions offers because of plagiarizing, cheating, drunken misbehavior, or arrest.

“Last year, we rescinded an early decision offer after a student was kicked out of boarding school,” Ms. Merrill said. “It’s especially painful for the early-decision candidate, because they have no other options, and it’s often too late to apply anywhere else.”

At [Northwestern](#), Christopher Watson, the dean of undergraduate admissions, said one or two offers are revoked each year.

“You would have to have a severe drop-off in your academic performance that would make us pause as to whether you could do the work to be successful here,” he said. “We would engage the family and the school before we make the decision, because it’s heartbreaking when you have to do it.”

Far more common than revocation, everywhere, is a warning letter, expressing disappointment, and asking for some explanation.

“In my seven years here, I can only think of two cases when we rescinded,” said Paul Mathers, the dean of admission at [Reed College](#). “But every year, when grades drop, or there is some misbehavior, we send out warnings, what we think of as a “Come-to-Jesus” letter, because we want them to be aware that we considered rescinding their offer of admissions, and we want to know if they are going to be serious students here. What we’ve found, generally, is that those students don’t end up flunking out or on academic probation.”

[Bowdoin College](#) has several different classes of warning letters, according to Scott Meiklejohn, the dean of admissions.

“It’s a spectrum,” he said. “Students who have a slight decline get a letter noting our disappointment that their grades are different from the grades on which they were admitted. For students who’ve had a larger decline, we ask them to write back with their comments and explanation. For the more serious, we tell them we’re going to review the case and decide if we are still offering admission, and in the most serious, we sometimes revoke the offer.”



Admissions directors say they want students to understand the possible consequences of plummeting grades — but they do not want students who have always had all A's to torture themselves with worry that getting a B will doom their college career.

“It seems to me that the students who worry most about senioritis are, ironically, the students who can afford to let up a little to enjoy their many accomplishments and hard work,” said Seth Allen, the dean of admission at [Grinnell College](#).

Excerpted from: http://thechoice.blogs.nytimes.com/2009/05/18/a-warning-colleges-can-change-their-minds/?_r=0

How to Decline Admission

Because many colleges expect to receive your final admission decision by **May 1st**, it is crucial that you send in your acceptance notification (form that accompanies your offer letter) as soon as you have made your choice. However, accepting admission isn't the only task you have to complete. If you applied to and were accepted at other colleges, then you need to decline admission to those colleges so they can offer your spot to other students on their waiting lists.

Many institutions include instructions in their offer package regarding how to inform them of your decision to attend another university. You may be asked to return a response form via postal mail or update your status through an online student information system. However, if no status form is offered, you may send a short letter. The letter should be brief, positive, and to the point. Here is a sample letter for declining college admission:

John M. Student
123 Acceptance Lane
Anytown, USA 90000

April 20, 2019

Admissions Committee
X University
100 College Street
Anytown, USA 70000

Dear Admissions Committee:

Thank you for your letter of April 16, 2019, offering me admission to Y University. While I appreciate the invitation to attend your institution, after careful consideration of my admission offers, I have decided to accept an offer from State University.

Once again, thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
(signature)

John M. Student
Excerpted from ecampustours.com



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Campus Visits: Before You Go

Visiting colleges is a great way to get a feel for what college is like. And when the time comes, it can help you decide if a specific college is right for you. Exploring campuses is well worth your while. You don't have to travel far - visiting local colleges is just as valuable.



Arrange a Visit

All colleges have admission offices that can help you plan your visit. Your high school may organize group tours of nearby colleges. And you can plan your own informal visit to a college campus. Take these important first steps:

- Contact the college admission office through the college's website or by email or phone to get details and make a reservation.
- Talk to your counselor about joining an organized tour of campuses you might not get to visit otherwise.
- Schedule time to be on your own. Walk around the public areas of the college and don't be shy about asking students questions.

What to Expect

Campus visits can range from a quick hour to an overnight stay, from a casual guided tour to a formal presentation. Be sure to ask how long the whole visit will take so you can be prepared. Most campus visits will include the following:

- **An information session.** An admission representative talks to you or your group about the college before the campus tour.
- **A campus tour.** These are usually led by current students. You'll see the main parts of the campus and have a chance to ask questions.

At many colleges, you can also arrange to do the following:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attend a class.• Meet with a professor.• Meet with an admission officer.• Meet with a financial aid officer. | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attend a club meeting or a sports practice session.• Eat in the dining hall.• Spend the night in a dorm. |
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Get Ready

Before your visit, you should get prepared:

- Explore the college's official website and review any materials the college has sent you. This will help you come up with questions specific to that college.
- Make a list of questions to ask both staff and students. You can use the Campus Visit Checklist as a starting point.
- Get a map of the college campus and check where the admission office is. This will help ensure that you're on time for your visit.

When you're ready to go, remember to do the following:

- Pack a notebook and a camera so you can record your impressions. You'd be surprised at how easy it is to forget details after you've seen a few colleges.
- Make fair comparisons of the colleges you visit.

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/find-colleges/campus-visit-guide/campus-visits-before-you-go-college-visit>

Campus Visit Checklist

How to Make the Most of Your Trip

Visiting a college campus helps you get a sense of what a college — and life at that college — is like. This can help you decide whether the college is right for you.

When planning your campus visits, make sure to allow time to explore each college. While you're there, talk to as many people as possible. These can include college admission staff, professors and students. Below are some other things you can do while visiting. Note that some activities, such as meeting with an admission officer or staying overnight in a dorm, might need to be set up in advance.

Gather Information

- Find out what you need to do to apply and see if the college's class and major offerings are what you want:
- Take part in a group information session at the admission office.
- Interview with an admission officer.
- Pick up financial aid forms.
- Sit in on a class that interests you. If classes aren't in session, just see what the classrooms are like.
- Meet a professor who teaches a subject that interests you.
- Talk to students about what they think of their classes and professors.
- Get the names of the people you meet and their business cards so you can contact them later if you have questions.

Explore the Campus

- Get a feel for student life and see if this college is a place where you will do well:
- Take a campus tour.
- Talk to current students about life on campus and the college.
- Check out the freshmen dorms and stay overnight with a student, if possible.
- Visit the dining hall, fitness center, library, career center, bookstore and other campus facilities.
- Talk to the coaches of sports that you may want to play.
- Walk or drive around the community surrounding the campus.

Check Out Campus Media

- Tune in to learn what's happening on campus and what's on students' minds:
- Listen to the college radio station.
- Read the student newspaper.
- Read other student publications, such as department newsletters, alternative newspapers and literary reviews.
- Scan bulletin boards to see what daily student life is like.
- Go to the career center and learn what services it offers.
- Browse the school's website and any campus blogs.

Questions to Ask During Your Visit

- You may want to ask your tour guide or students you meet on campus these questions:
- What are the best reasons to go to this college?
- What's it like to go from high school to college?
- What do you do in your free time? On the weekends?
- What do you love about this college?
- What do you wish you could change about this college?
- Why did you choose this college?
- What is it like to live here?

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/find-colleges/campus-visit-guide/campus-visit-checklist>

TESTING INFORMATION:

2019-20 SAT/ACT Dates

SAT

SAT Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
May 4, 2019	Apr. 5, 2019	Apr. 24, 2019
June 1, 2019	May 3, 2019	May 22, 2019

Register online at www.collegeboard.org.

The registration fee for the 2019 SAT Reasoning Test is \$64.50.

The registration fee for the SAT Subject Test is \$26.00.

The late registration fee is an additional \$29.00.

Scores are available about 4 weeks after the test is administered.

ACT

ACT Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
June 8, 2019	May 3, 2019	May 20, 2019

Register online at www.actstudent.org.

The registration fee for the 2019 ACT is \$50.50.

The fee for the ACT Plus Writing is \$67.00.

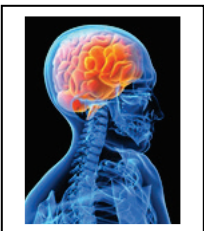
Late registration fee is \$30.00.

Scores are available 2 - 8 weeks after the test is administered.

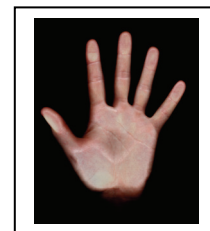
AP[®] Students

AP Exams will begin in May. Please see the 2019 exam schedule below. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mrs. Logue, AP Coordinator at mlogue@rhnet.org or 359-5211.

Week 1	Morning – 8 a.m.	Afternoon – 12 noon	
Monday, May 6	United States Government and Politics	Environmental Science	
Tuesday, May 7		Physics I	
Wednesday, May 8	English Literature and Composition		
Thursday, May 9	Chemistry		
Friday, May 10	United States History	Portfolio's Due	
	Studio Art – May 10 is the last day for Coordinators to submit digital portfolios (by 8 p.m. EDT) and to gather 2-D Design and Drawing students for physical portfolio assembly. Teachers should have forwarded students' completed digital portfolios to Coordinators before this date.		
Week 2	Morning – 8 a.m.	Afternoon – 12 noon	Afternoon – 2 p.m.
Monday, May 13	Biology		
Tuesday, May 14	Calculus	Art History	
Wednesday, May 15	English Language and Composition	Macroeconomics	
Thursday, May 16	World History	Statistics	
Friday, May 17	Microeconomics		



University of Rochester Pre-College Programs ROCHESTER SCHOLARS - Summer 2019



U of R's APPLICATION DEADLINE: MAY 30, 2019

Rising 11th and 12th grade students may use the *RH Tuition Waiver

to cover the tuition cost – see eligibility requirements on the *RH Tuition Waiver* located within the required Registration forms

Rochester Scholars is the University's pre-college academic enrichment program for high school students which offer **non-credit** mini-courses reflective of areas of study available at the University.

Courses are structured like college seminars and promote learning by doing. Students actively participate in a variety of workshops, class discussions, field trips, group projects, experiments, and labs, putting newfound knowledge to use in independent and creative ways. Classes are taught by university faculty and graduate students, along with top local educators.

Students can choose to take a morning class, an afternoon class, or both. Books, supplies and lunch are included. Enrollment is limited, so be sure to register early.

Visit <http://enrollment.rochester.edu/precollege/courses/> for FULL Course Descriptions

ROCHESTER SCHOLARS SESSION A: JULY 8 – 19, 2019 (2 weeks)

U of R's APPLICATION DEADLINE: MAY 30, 2019

MORNING (8:30 – 11:30 AM)	AFTERNOON (1:00 – 4:00 pm)
<i>Bones, Muscles, Joints, and Movement</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>Exploring Mixed Identities</i> (9 th – 12 th)
<i>Computer Networking</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>GirlsGetMath@Rochester</i> (9 th – 12 th)
<i>Fundamentals of Audio Engineering</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>Introduction to Elementary Japanese</i> (9 th – 12 th)
<i>Health Beyond Healthcare</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>Medical Mysteries</i> (9 th – 12 th)
<i>Introduction to Optics & Lasers</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>The Art of Animation</i> (9 th – 12 th)
<i>Life on Mars: Past, Present, and Future</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>Understanding and Reducing Stress</i> (9 th – 12 th)
<i>May it Please the Court: A Mock Trial</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>Web Developer Bootcamp</i> (9 th – 12 th)
<i>The Art of a Short Film</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>What is the Right Thing to Do?</i> (9 th – 12 th)
<i>What's Up Doc? Exploring the Pre-Med Experience</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>What's Up Doc? Exploring the Pre-Med Experience</i> (9 th – 12 th)

ROCHESTER SCHOLARS SESSION B: JULY 22 – 26, 2019 (1 week)

U of R's APPLICATION DEADLINE: MAY 30, 2019

MORNING (8:30 – 11:30 am)	AFTERNOON (1:00 – 4:00 pm)
<i>Careers in Engineering</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>Biomedical Technology: Engineer, Doctor, or Both?</i> (9 th – 12 th)
<i>Introduction to Pharmacology</i> (11 th – 12 th)	<i>Energize, React, Absorb or Flow: An Introduction to Chemical Engineering</i> (11 th – 12 th)
<i>Mobile Game Design</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>Introduction to Astronomy and Astrophysics</i> (9 th – 12 th)
<i>Nanotechnology: How Small Things are Making a BIG Impact</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>Strangeness in Quantum Physics</i> (9 th – 12 th)
<i>Nursing: A Career that Never Gets Boring!</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>Summer Dance Initiative: Culture & Creativity</i> (9 th – 12 th)
<i>Observing the Building Blocks of the Universe</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>The Magic of Molars and the Wisdom of Teeth: Exploring Oral Health</i> (9 th – 12 th)
<i>The Basics of Investments and Careers in Finance</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>UR Criminal Minds</i> (9 th – 12 th)
<i>UR Criminal Minds</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>Want to Help People? Become a Mental Health Provider!</i> (9 th – 12 th)
<i>What's Up Doc? Exploring the Pre-Med Experience</i> (9 th – 12 th)	<i>What's Up Doc? Exploring the Pre-Med Experience</i> (9 th – 12 th)

To Register – Complete the U of R Pre-College Programs Registration packet in its entirety

- Available online at www.rhnet.org in the *College & Careers* section or see Mrs. Simonelli in the Counseling Center
- A Personal Statement, Letter of Recommendation and high school transcript is required each calendar year for Rochester Scholar applicants
- **Completed Registration Packets must then be submitted to an RH counselor for review**
- **If approved, the counselor will sign the forms, scan and email to you as a pdf**
- **Follow the “U of R Pre-College Programs RH Online Registration Instructions”** (included in Registration packet) – once completed, you will be contacted by someone from the U of R

The required Registration forms and directions for applying are available in the Rush Henrietta Senior High School Counseling Center or on Rush Henrietta's website (www.rhnet.org > College & Careers > Summer Opportunities)

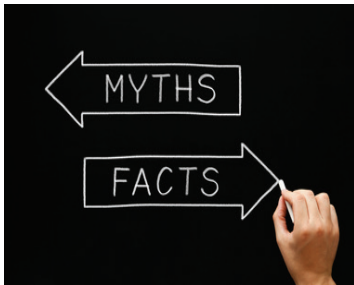
For more information, see Mrs. Simonelli (585-359-5221) in the Counseling Center

FINANCIAL AID AND SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION:

5 Myths about Financial Aid **Don't fall for these myths when it comes to financial aid.**

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Let's be honest about something: financial aid is tricky, confusing and overwhelming. As is with all things complicated, it's easy to see why students and parents alike believe everything they're told about the process. Unfortunately, that means students are told a lot of "falsehoods." One of the best things students and parents can do for their financial aid chances is to know how the facts stand up against the myths.



Myth #1: I won't qualify for aid.

This is perhaps the biggest and most believed myth about financial aid. While there are individuals with income thresholds that won't receive financial aid, it's imperative that these families still fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Firstly, every single student, regardless of their parents' income, qualifies for unsubsidized Stafford and

PLUS loans just by filling out the FAFSA.

Second, aid dollars can never be predicted; and with that, students and their parents may as well fill out an application to see if they qualify for aid. Finally, you never know when your family's financial circumstances will change. Loss of job or divorce can take a toll on income and assets. Wouldn't it be nice if your financial aid office had your FAFSA on hand to see how they could help you pay for college?

Myth #2: I can declare myself as an independent student.

You may be living on your own without any financial support, but does that make you an independent student by financial aid standards? Hardly! The federal government has a very strict definition of what makes a student independent: he or she must be older than 24, married, serving in the armed forces or financially responsible for a dependent.

Unfortunately, the federal government dictates that if a student is less than 24, his or her parents are responsible for paying for their education – whether or not your parents actually can is another matter.

Myth #3: I didn't qualify for aid the first time, so I won't qualify again.

Just as circumstances change, so does financial aid. As stated earlier, a job loss or divorce can have an impact on whether or not a student is determined eligible for aid. And in most cases, this new state of eligibility is determined through less drastic circumstances. For instance, if a family has two students enrolled in college at the same time, both of those students may then be eligible for financial aid. With that in mind, students and their families should apply for financial aid with the FAFSA every day.

Myth #4: I shouldn't accept a financial aid package with any self-help.

Many families hear "student loans" and automatically reject the financial aid package – as well as the school. The truth is student loans have the lowest interest rates of any type of loan, and while you hear

horror stories of students graduating with hundreds of thousands of dollars in debt, that's not necessarily the reality.

Financial aid experts will instruct borrowers not to acquire an amount of student debt that is more than their expected starting salary after graduation. Also, borrowers should attempt to pay the interest while they're in school, which will save hundreds if not thousands of dollars after graduation. The trick to tackling a financial aid package with student loans is to borrow smartly.

Also, keep in mind that self-help comes in the form of work study jobs too. These on-campus work opportunities enable students to work to pay down their tuition bill during school, making the task of paying off any debt after school a lot simpler.

Myth #5: I can't appeal my financial aid package.

When you get your very official looking financial aid package, it may seem as if there is no compromise or ability to appeal. Fortunately, that's not true either. While you can't make changes to the FAFSA at that point, financial aid officers are always willing to work with students and their parents to make paying for their dream school possible.

Oftentimes, financial aid officers can find ways to add to the financial aid package. Plus, a little known secret to the outside world is what is referred to by professionals in the space as "summer melt." As students decide during the summer months that they really don't want to go to a particular college – or to college at all – their financial aid at that school becomes available. Some families are able to benefit from this sudden allowance of financial aid if they contact the school and ask about any further available financial aid opportunities in July.

Yes, applying for financial aid can be baffling, but that doesn't mean you should fall for the myths that we so often hear. If you do, your ability to pay for the school you really want to attend could be in jeopardy. So before you make any hard decisions, make sure you're working with the truth about financial aid and paying for school.

Understanding the Financial Aid Award Notification

Once a financial aid administrator at your school(s) reviews your SAR, you will be notified regarding your eligibility and the amount of aid you may receive.

Financial Aid Awards

There are two types of financial aid awards: gift aid and self-help aid. Gift aid does not usually have to be paid back. Self-help aid must be repaid through money or labor.

Gift Aid

- **Scholarships** are based on merit (for example: good grades, music ability, or athletic skills). Some are also based on need. Scholarships are offered through colleges, the community, and other organizations.
- **Grants** are awarded by the federal or state governments or by the school and are usually based on financial need.

Remember that the financial awards listed above do not usually have to be paid back. Some exceptions may apply.

Self-help Aid

- **Federal Work-Study** is awarded to students with financial need. Students can work part-time to earn this award money to help with the cost of attendance. Work-study jobs can be found on or off campus through the school's Financial Aid Office.
- **Federal Perkins Loan** is a low interest rate loan that aids students with a large financial need. This loan has a 5% fixed interest rate and no loan fee. Financial aid officers at each college determine which students receive these loans and how much they receive.
- The **Federal Subsidized Stafford Loan** is a need-based loan for students enrolled at least half-time as an undergraduate student in an eligible institution. "Subsidized" means that the federal government will pay interest (up to 150% of program length) on the loan. Once the student reaches the 150% limit, he becomes ineligible for the interest subsidy benefits on all Federal Subsidized loans disbursed to him.
- The **Federal Unsubsidized Stafford Loan** is non-need based. All students, regardless of need, can receive this loan. Students are responsible for paying the interest while enrolled in school and during any grace period or deferment.
- The **Parent Loan for Undergraduate Students (PLUS)** is non-need based. These loans are available to parents of undergraduate dependent students, but the parents must have a good credit history. Parents can borrow up to the cost of education as determined by the school minus any financial aid received. Repayment usually begins within 60 days after funds are disbursed. However, rates, benefits, and deferment options vary for each organization or bank offering the PLUS Loan.
- **Alternative or Private Student Loans** are offered through organizations and banks. Rates, repayment plans, and borrowing limits vary for each organization or bank.

Remember that any self-help aid must be repaid through money or labor.

Comparing Financial Aid Award Packages

Once you receive financial aid award notifications from the schools to which you have applied, it's time to compare the financial aid packages offered by each school. In order to make comparisons, you should follow these guidelines:

- **Compare like terms.** Make sure that the cost of attendance is the same for each school before comparing. Some schools may not include transportation or personal costs in their estimated cost of attendance.
- **Compare ratio of gift aid to self-help aid.** Generally, packages with a higher proportion of gift aid are more appealing because students may have less debt when they graduate. However, more gift aid may mean a larger family contribution at some colleges.
- **Compare the terms of any loans included.** Will the payments be affordable? Student loans with low interest rates and no repayment until after college may be more affordable than private loans or other consumer loans.
- **Compare the effect of scholarships on other aid.** If you are applying for or will qualify for outside scholarships, you should determine if it is possible for a scholarship to reduce your financial aid package.



- **Check on future packages.** What part of the financial aid award is renewable from year to year? Are there requirements for maintaining the awards?

Although very important, the amount of financial aid you receive isn't the only factor you should consider in choosing a college. Neither the school that offers you the most financial aid nor the most popular school among your friends is guaranteed to provide the right fit for your personal and academic goals, so try to keep an open mind when weighing your options. There may be several schools on your list of choices that balance academic, personal, and financial needs.

After Receiving the Financial Aid Award Notification

After reading the financial aid award notification, you may realize that the awards listed are not enough to cover all expenses. However, there are other loan options that may not be shown on the notice. Your parents may be eligible for the Federal PLUS Program or you could consider getting a private student loan.

After receiving the financial aid award notification, you must let the school know whether or not you are accepting or declining the awards. Not everything that is offered has to be accepted. Declining an award will neither help nor hurt the award. Pay close attention to deadlines for accepting the award package. Deadlines are usually within two weeks after receiving the award notification. If a deadline is missed, you may risk losing a scholarship, grant, or loan assistance.

For more information about the financial aid award notification, contact the Financial Aid Administrator from the college.

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Summer Camps

University of Rochester Photon Camp 2019

The Institute of Optics

Photon Camp

July 8-12, 2019

9 a.m.-5 p.m.

The Photon Camp is a **free**, one-week program where rising high school juniors and seniors can explore the growing field of optics and optical engineering. Students spend the week attending faculty lectures, visiting local optics industry sites, and working in the Institute of Optics laboratories. Photon Camp is geared towards rising juniors and seniors with a strong background in math and physics. As the level of instruction at Photon Camp is higher than the typical high school classroom, exceptions will not be made to this policy.

Note: Photon Camp is geared toward local area students. Housing is not provided.

“Photon Camp was an excellent opportunity to gain firsthand college experience. There’s more to optics than most people realize!”

—Danielle, Photonics Camp alumnus

Deadline for Applications is **May 25, 2019**.

For general information or to apply, visit www.optics.rochester.edu/about/photon-camp.html
Space is limited and admissions are “rolling”. That is, camp slots will be filled as qualified applicants apply. (Note: No admission decisions will be made before May 1st).


Submission of Applications

Documents may be submitted via mail or scanned .pdf document.

- Note: If submitting an application via **email**, please do not submit photos of the documents. They **must** be submitted in PDF format. Non-PDF applications, or illegible PDF submissions, will not be considered. Submit documents electronically to dustin.newman@rochester.edu.

Camp College Prep at Nazareth College

Camp College Prep combines SAT/ACT preparation, one on one college counseling, college essay writing, and the creation of a personal timetable in an effort to help high school students better understand and better prepare for the highly competitive college admissions process.

<p>Week One: July 8 - 11 <u>Nazareth College</u> Pittsford, NY</p>  <p>Golisano Academic Center <i>Photo: Nazareth College</i></p>	<p>Week Two: July 22 - 25 <u>Nazareth College</u> Pittsford, NY</p>  <p>Golisano Academic Center <i>Photo: Nazareth College</i></p>
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Department of Environmental Conservation-Environmental Education Camps



DEC camps combine environmental education, sportsman education and outdoor fun. We use a fun, hands-on approach to teach about the environment. You'll learn outdoor skills as well as the essentials of backpacking, camping and canoeing. You'll come away with a life-long passion for nature and a dedication to stewardship of our natural resources.

What's it like at an environmental education camp?

You'll explore New York's diverse habitats, have the chance to learn basic ecological concepts and learn how human activities affect the environment. Campers solve challenges, learn environmental concepts, practice outdoor skills and spend the week immersed in nature.

All of the camps offer sportsman education classes, including hunting and archery. The Pack Forest camp also offers shooting sports for the 14 to 17 year-olds. For more information, please contact NYSDEC Camps, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-5256, 518-402-8014.

Scholarships 2018-19

To apply for Nomination Scholarships: go to the College and Career Center to self nominate.
 To apply for General Scholarships: applications are in the College and Career Center or on Naviance.

Scholarship Name	Eligibility Criteria	Award	Grade Eligibility	Scholarship Type	General Deadline	Nomination Deadline
Adam Miller Memorial Scholarship - "Love of the Game" Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Applicant must be a senior in good academic standing and on track to graduate from Rush-Henrietta high school -applicant has been affiliated with the baseball program throughout their junior and senior year -applicant has demonstrated an exemplary work ethic and team-first attitude -applicant has demonstrated exemplary sportsmanship toward his teammates and opponents -applicant is a leader by example -Applications are available on Naviance and the CCC. 	\$1,000	Seniors	General	4/11/2019	
AKOMA African American Women's Gospel Choir - Nona Patterson Chambers Scholarship	<p>AKOMA African American Women's Gospel Choir provides scholarship assistance to college bound African American women graduating in June 2019 from a high school in the Greater Rochester area, attending college in September 2019, and involved in extra-curricular school and church activities.</p> <p>Please note a personal interview is required. The scholarships will be awarded on Saturday, June 8, 2019 at the annual concert and all recipients must be present. For more details, visit www.akoma.org. Applications are available on Naviance and in the CCC.</p>	Amount not specified	Female, African American High School Seniors	General	4/15/2019	
Ayn Rand "Anthem" Essay Contest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Essay must be between 600 and 1,200 words dealing with one of three topics chosen from the novel "Anthem" -essays are judged on both style and content; judges look for writing that is clear, articulate and logically organized -visit www.aynrand.org/contests for essay topics, rules and submission instructions. 	\$25 - \$2,000	Grades 8, 9, and 10	General	4/25/2019	

Scholarship Name	Eligibility Criteria	Award	Grade Eligibility	Scholarship Type	General Deadline	Nomination Deadline
Ayn Rand "The Fountainhead" Essay Contest	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -essay must be between 800 and 1,600 words dealing with one of three topics chosen from the novel "The Fountainhead" -essays are judged on both style and content; judges look for writing that is clear, articulate and logically organized -visit www.aynrand.org/contests for essay topics, rules and submission instructions. 	\$50 - \$10,000	Juniors and Seniors	General	4/25/2019	
B. Davis Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -write an essay of less than 1,000 words on this topic: Describe the three characteristics of leadership you value most. Discuss why you believe that these traits are so important and how you feel that they are developed in an individual. -submit via email to: awards@studentawardsearch.com www.studentawardsearch.com/scholarships.htm 	\$1,000	Juniors, Seniors, college students	General	5/24/2019	
Ely Fagan Post 1151 Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Must be a resident of the Rush-Henrietta Central School District at the opening of the school year, or a son or daughter of a member of the Ely-Fagan Post attending any other school in their senior year -grandchildren, nieces, nephews, or adopted children of a Post member are also eligible -candidates will be selected on the following basis: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> character, Americanism, leadership, scholarship, and financial need -applicants must be accepted at an institution of higher learning when the award is actually received. <p>Applications are available on Naviance and the CCC.</p>	Two \$600 awards	Seniors	General	4/26/2019	

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Farash Foundation First in Family Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -applicants must be the first in their family to attend college -you are First in Family if your parents and siblings have never attended any college -you do not need to be a US citizen to qualify for this scholarship -you must be resident of Monroe or Ontario counties -scholars will be considered regardless of need and/or merit -FIF Scholars are required to fulfill a community service requirement -FIF Scholars are required to live in campus sponsored housing -you must apply to one of the following nine colleges to be eligible: Finger Lakes Community College, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Monroe Community College, Nazareth College, Roberts Wesleyan College, Rochester Institute of Technology, St. John Fisher College, The College at Brockport, University of Rochester -After applying, call the admissions office at the college and ask about the Farash Foundation First in Family Scholarship -Scholar selection and awards are determined by the college -the deadline is determined by the individual college; the deadline date listed in the Counseling Connection is only an estimate 	After admission to one of the colleges listed, the Foundation is supplying all additional funds needed to completely pay for the Farash Scholar's tuition, room and board, textbooks, and mandatory fees	Seniors	General	6/28/2019	
Genesee Promise Plus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must be either a HS Junior, Senior or new adult college student who resides in the R-H district and is interested in taking 1 or 2 college courses in the summer of 2019 at Genesee Community College. 	cost of tuition for 1 or 2 summer classes	Juniors and Seniors	General	6/21/2019	
Greater Rochester Area Payroll Association (GRAPA) Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to any graduating senior who is interested in pursuing a degree program with an emphasis on business related studies, has a minimum B average, and is enrolled in a 2 or 4 year program at any area college. (within 50-mile radius of Rochester) Applications are available on Naviance and in the CCC. 	Award not given	Senior	General	5/10/2019	

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Hearing Loss Associates of America Scholarship	This scholarship is awarded by the Hearing Loss Association of America, Rochester Chapter to Greater Rochester area high school seniors with hearing loss who are pursuing post-secondary education or vocational training. Students must have applied to enter their first year of post-secondary education or vocational training and be between the ages of 17 and 20 and have documented hearing loss. Applications are available on Naviance and www.hearinglossrochester.org/forms-and-resources .	\$1,000	Seniors	General	4/5/2019	
Italian Civic League Scholarship	-Americans of Italian lineage (at least one Italian grandparent) -seniors graduating in 2019 who will be pursuing a college education immediately following graduation -residents of Monroe County or adjoining counties -average of 85% or higher -study of Italian in high school or is a plus, but not required; some knowledge of the language would be beneficial Applications available on Naviance and in the CCC	Two at \$1,000 each	Seniors	General	4/30/2019	
Jeff Webber Scholarship	-graduating senior from R-H Senior High School -must have played on the R-H basketball team in their Senior year -have at least an 80% overall grade average -plan on attending either a 2 or 4 year college, university or technical/vocational school -Include an ESSAY (approximately 250 words) as to why you feel you are a good candidate for this scholarship **Recipient must be in attendance at the Senior Awards Night on May 29, 2019 to receive this award**	\$500	Seniors	Nomination		4/8/2019
Molly Efron Technical Women's Scholarship	Must be a: -Monroe County resident -female senior graduating from high school -attending a STEM program at an accredited four-year college or university in the fall Applications are online only at https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1I66nv_rCj74NwLNpPiD3_0tZ1ieTbyMT0RAMr6RuIns/edit	\$1,000	Female Seniors	General	4/10/2019	

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New York Schools Insurance Reciprocal - Joseph Goncalves Student Humanitarian	-graduating senior who plans to attend college in New York State -students should be able to demonstrate a record of involvement and work for a cause or organization that actively promotes social justice, equal opportunity, relief of human suffering or similar aspirations generally understood to be within the meaning of humanitarian activity. Diversity is encouraged -For an application and more details, visit www.nysir.org . -Applications also available in the College and Career Center.	One \$3,000, One \$5,000	Seniors	General	4/8/2019	
New York Schools Insurance Reciprocal - Paul Jensen Memorial Scholarship	-awarded to a student who has demonstrated an inspired imagination and creative aesthetic in his or her school career, and who is seeking an opportunity to attend college. For an application and more details, visit www.nysir.org . *Applications also available in the College and Career Center.	One \$3,000, One \$5,000	Seniors	General	4/8/2019	
New York Schools Insurance Reciprocal -Cristin Ann Bambino Scholarship	This scholarship will be awarded to a college-bound special education student to reward him or her for working through special challenges to complete high school and obtain acceptance to a college or university. There will be nine scholarship winners. Seven recipients will receive a \$3,000 scholarship; one will receive a \$4,000 scholarship; and one will receive a \$5,000 scholarship. For an application and more details, visit www.nysir.org . *Applications also available in the CCC.	\$3,000, \$4,000, or \$5,000	Seniors	General	4/8/2019	

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New York State HESC STEM Incentive Program	An applicant must: be a legal resident of NYS and have resided in NYS for 12 continuous months; be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen; be a high school senior/recent high school graduate who will be enrolled full time at a SUNY or CUNY college, including community colleges and the statutory colleges at Cornell University and Alfred University, beginning in the fall term following his or her high school graduation; be ranked in the top 10 percent of his/her high school graduating class of a NYS high school; be matriculated in an undergraduate program leading to a degree in Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics at a SUNY or CUNY college; earn a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or higher each term after the first semester; execute a service contract agreeing to reside and work in NYS for five years in the field of Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics. View the terms and conditions of the service contract; not be in default on a student loan made under any NYS or federal education loan program or repayment of any state award; and be in compliance with the terms of any service condition imposed by a state award. Students matriculated in these programs of study may be eligible for a STEM Incentive Program award. The program of study must result in an approved occupation. Apply online: www.hesc.ny.gov/stem	Full-time study up to the annual tuition charged to NYS resident students attending an undergraduate program at the State University of New York (SUNY), or actual tuition charged, whichever is less.	Seniors	General	8/15/2019	
Paul Cimicata Memorial Scholarship Award	The graduating senior receiving this scholarship will be selected based on the following criteria: Demonstration of outstanding participation in the Singers for a minimum of one year as well as extraordinary contributions to the music program and service to community. Admirable academic achievement. A person that exemplifies Mr C's profound impact on his students through his or her qualities of integrity, fairness, generosity and collaboration both inside and outside of the classroom. Applicants must provide - Completed application, personal statement, two letters of recommendation - one from a RH music faculty member as well as a letter from one additional faculty/staff member or fellow student. Applications are on Naviance and in the CCC.	\$1,000	Seniors	General	4/11/2019	

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Polish Heritage Society of Rochester - Literary Competition	The competition is open to high school students GRADES 9 - 12 in the Rochester, NY area. *Entrants need NOT be of Polish descent. The objective of the program is to develop an increased awareness of Polish history and tradition. Interested students will submit an essay of 600 words or more, discussing a Polish American who has made a significant contribution to the arts. The best essay will be awarded \$1,000, while the other 3 essays will each receive a prize of \$200. Prizes will be awarded to the essay from each of the four grade levels.	The best essay will be awarded \$1,000, while the other 3 essays will each receive a prize of \$200.	9 - 12	General	4/27/2019	
Purple Justice Scholarship	Sponsored by the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children's (NCMEC/NY), The PURPLE JUSTICE Scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors with at least a 2.5 GPA interested in pursuing a criminal justice degree. Applications available in the CCC and on Naviance.	\$500	Seniors	General	4/30/2019	
Rochester Area Community Foundation Scholarships	The Rochester Area Community Foundation offers over 130 different scholarships for students pursuing college, vocational training, or enrichment programs. Many of these would be appropriate for R-H seniors, Visit their website - www.raef.org/Scholarships for details, deadline dates and applications. PLEASE NOTE - DO NOT USE THE DEADLINE DATE LISTED IN THIS RECORD. Refer to their website for the individual deadline dates.	amounts vary	Seniors and current college students	General	6/28/2019	
Rush-Henrietta Sports Booster Club Girls Lacrosse Club Scholarship	-Applicants must be graduating female seniors attending R-H Senior High School who are currently OR have been a member of the R-H Girls Lacrosse Club for a minimum of 2 years -volunteered in their community during their 10th-12th grade years -be accepted into an accredited program in advanced education after high school Applications are available on Naviance and in the CCC.	Three at \$500 each	Female Seniors	General	4/8/2019	

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Safari Club International Western and Central NY Chapter Scholarship	-must demonstrate a high level of interest in the environment, outdoor sports like hunting, fishing, and related activities -significant weight is given to those who are planning a course of study that would translate to a career in some form of conservation and wildlife enforcement. Applications available at http://bit.ly/2DhKLiw , in the CCC and on Naviance.	\$1,500	Seniors	General	4/15/2019	
The Community Foundation - Barbara D. Sutherland Scholarship	For graduating high school seniors and college undergraduates who: Are from a Middle Eastern country* (as identified below); Are an American citizen OR have appropriate Visa status; Are attending any college or university within the eight-county area surrounding Rochester (Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne, and Yates counties); and have financial need. *Middle East countries may include: Afghanistan, Algeria, Bahrain, Cyprus, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, Kuwait, Lebanon, Libya, Morocco, Oman, Pakistan, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates, and Republic of Yemen. Application available at www.racf.org/scholarships	\$1,000 minimum	Seniors	General	4/15/2019	

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The Community Foundation - Susan A. Cowell Scholarship	<p>Student must: identify as LGBTQ and be pursuing post-secondary education in fields aligned with public health, nonprofit administration, or social justice activism, including social activism through the arts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -have a minimum 3.0 GPA (B average) -be pursuing post-secondary education at a qualifying academic institution in Genesee, Livingston, Monroe, Ontario, Orleans, Seneca, Wayne or Yates county <p>-qualifying institutions include accredited undergraduate or graduate colleges, universities, community colleges, trade schools and technical schools</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -demonstrate a proclivity for social justice activism and/or a desire to positively impact the LGBTQ community -cannot be a current Out-Alliance board member or scholarship selection committee member or their partners or child of either. Applications can be found at https://www.racf.org/Scholarships. <p>Note: The Rochester LGBTQ, Susan A. Cowell, and James R. Moran scholarships share a single application. Applying for one automatically submits an application for each.</p>	minimum of \$1,000	Seniors	General	6/15/2019	
The Community Foundation Clifford B. Bushnell Scholarship	<p>For female Urban League Black Scholars in Monroe County who are either graduating high school seniors or current college freshmen pursuing post-secondary education at a two- or four-year college or vocational/technical school. Beginning 2020: offered in even years. Applications available at www.racf.org and on Naviance.</p>	\$1,000	Female, Urban League Black Scholar Seniors	General	5/3/2019	
The Community Foundation Louis P. and Betty A. Iacona Nursing Scholarship	<p>Applicant must be a resident of Monroe County who: is enrolled in a 2 or 4-year college's nursing program; has financial need; and has a minimum GPA of 2.5.</p> <p>Relevant volunteer/community service experience is a consideration.</p> <p>A copy of the college Financial Aid Award Letter is required.</p> <p>Visit www.racf.org for a complete list of scholarships available from the Rochester Area Community Foundation.</p>	\$1,000	High School Seniors and current college students	General	4/15/2019	

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The Community Foundation William E. McKnight Scholarship	For an African American high school student who demonstrates the qualities and characteristic of William McKnight -- the capacity for high-quality intellectual work and achievement and a depth of understanding and personal insight into people of all backgrounds; Is identified as an Urban League Black Scholar; Is from Monroe, Genesee, Livingston, Ontario, Orleans, or Wayne counties and has been accepted into an accredited four-year college; and has financial need. Applications are available on Naviance and at www.racf.org/scholarships .	\$2,500	Seniors	General	4/13/2019	
Traveling Cabaret of Irondequoit Scholarship	The Traveling Cabaret of Irondequoit will award scholarships to college bound high school seniors pursuing the ARTS upon graduation. The ARTS INCLUDE, but are not limited to: MUSIC, DANCE, DRAMA, ART, WRITING, TECHNICAL and all other arts related areas. Applications will be accepted from students throughout the greater Rochester area and surrounding communities. Awards will be determined on a talent and need basis. For more information, call (585) 234-6677. Applications are available on Naviance and in the CCC.	Amount not specified	Seniors	General	4/12/2019	
Urban League of Rochester Scholarships	The Urban League of Rochester sponsors several scholarships for seniors. There are twenty separate scholarship applications listed at http://ulrochester.force.com/scholarships . They each have their own criteria, deadline date, and award amount. For any scholarships that do not have their own application, fill out the application located at https://www.tfaforms.com/workflows/start/4199 . Please do not adhere to the deadline date listed here, that is the latest deadline. Many have earlier deadlines starting as early as March 1st.	Varies	Seniors	General	5/31/2019	
VLP Smile Scholarship Fund	Write an essay about the most influential person in your life and how they have helped turn you into the person you are today. Explain how you intend to pay it forward and what you've done or plan to do to better society. You can find more information at www.valeriepalermo.com . Applications are available on Naviance and in the CCC.	Amount not specified	Seniors	General	4/30/2019	

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Wyoma Best Scholarship for Future Journalists	Applicants must be pursuing a degree in Journalism, Communications, or TV and Radio Broadcasting. Must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and must be attending a Rochester area college. Applicants must demonstrate the qualities of good citizenship, scholarship and commitment to advancing public understanding of issues faced by people of color. Applications are available on Naviance and in the CCC.	\$500	Seniors	General	5/1/2019	