

# *Senior Scholarship & Financial Aid Booklet*

*Paso Robles High School  
Class of 2019*



Paso Robles High School Counseling Office/College & Career Center  
[www.pasoschools.org](http://www.pasoschools.org)

*Senior Scholarship & Award Night*  
*May 30th, 2019 - 6:30 PM*

# ***APPLICATION DEADLINE FEBRUARY 1st @ 4pm***

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## ***Important Dates***

### ***December***

- December SAT date is the last test date that will be considered by the universities
- **December 6, 2018 Senior Scholarship and Financial Aid Booklet distributed**  
...make selections and prepare your applications for local scholarships
- Request letters of recommendation from teachers/coaches/counselors **NOW**
- Complete the **Cuesta College** online Application and Scholarship Application

### ***January-February***

- If you have applied to a **CSU or UC**, check your portal bi-weekly to see if there are any actions you must take. *If official transcripts are requested by the university, there is a sign-up clipboard on the counseling office counter—indicate the address where they should be sent.*
- Mail every important document “Certified Mail-Return Receipt Requested” and keep photocopies in your files
- Complete the FAFSA (or Dream Act-State aid only) in order to qualify for *Federal* PELL Grant and loans; *State* Cal Grant A,B, or C; and/or the Cuesta Promise scholarship. One Final Cash for College Night on **February 13th 3-8pm**.
- **February 1st, 2019 at 4:00 PM (Monday): Deadline to turn in local scholarship application packages to the Counseling Office**

### **March-April**

- **March 2, 2019:** filing **deadline for FAFSA** (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
- **March 2, 2019 Deadline for the Promise Scholarship Application**
- Check your portal regularly...keep in touch with college Financial Aid and Housing offices
- College acceptances are received

### **May-June-July**

- **May 1, 2019:** last day to submit to your college the acceptance of their admissions offer
- Financial aid letters from colleges and universities are available on your portal; accept or decline grants and loans; complete all online orientations and documents needed for loans
- Check your college portal frequently for all messages regarding orientations and scheduling of your fall classes
- **May 30, 2019 at 6:30 PM (Thursday): PRHS Senior Scholarship and Awards Night**
- By **June 15, 2019:** request your official final transcript be sent to your college/university, there is a sign-up clipboard on the counseling office counter
- **Cal Grant** recipients must complete the **High School Graduation Certification Form** online at [www.webgrants4students.org](http://www.webgrants4students.org)

### **Scholarship Application Directions**

The Scholarship Application will be emailed through your school email. You **MUST** “Make a Copy” of it before you begin typing on it. A sample application is on pages 3-4 of this booklet. **Students are strongly encouraged to download, complete, save, and print the scholarship application.**

#### **Checklist For Local Scholarships**

- Complete the local scholarship application. (To avoid any delays or disqualifications, answer **all** questions.)
- Copy of Transcript: See Mrs. Brown-Silva (obtained from guidance office).
- Essay.
- Two letters of recommendation (no more than one recommendation from high school teachers/staff).
- Include one (1) List of Scholarships Applied To sheet with your packets
- Read the PRHS Scholarship Directory, in the back of this booklet, for all local scholarships.
- Identify the scholarships for which you will apply.
- Pay close attention to the special conditions of each scholarship.
- Arrange for copies of the applications to be made.
- Make a copy of your completed packet for Mrs. Gillis with the List of Scholarships Applied To
- Do things timely. All deadlines must be met.

#### **Essay Prompt:** (1-2 typewritten pages)

*Education is valuable and fulfilling.*

- Summarize your activities and accomplishments and how they have led to your interest in the major/profession listed above.
- How will your education motivate you to be a working influence on the community where you will reside?

Name of Scholarship: \_\_\_\_\_

***Paso Robles High School Scholarship Application***

Name (First, Middle, Last)	
Home phone	
Student's email	
Student's cell phone	
Birth date	
Address	
Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name(s)	
Occupation(s) of parent(s)/guardian(s)	
Name and age of other dependent children in the family	
Schools attended other than PRHS (Elementary, Middle, or High School)	

<b>School</b> extracurricular activities:	Year(s) participated:	Explain the activity, offices, services:

Organizations, clubs, sports, extracurricular activities you participate in **outside of school** (explain each activity/service and the years you have participated)


Honors and awards:


Are there any special circumstances relating to your financial need?	
What school do you plan to attend next year? <i>If you are not yet certain, list schools to which you have applied.</i>	
Do you plan to live on campus? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	If not on campus, where will you live?
What will be your college major or program of training?	
What occupation do you plan to enter?	
What is your cumulative WEIGHTED GPA?	
Past and current employment, average hours worked per week, earnings:	
List names and telephone numbers of three references (teacher, counselor, administrator, employer or neighbor for examples). No family members, please.	1.) 2.) 3.)

**Due Date: February 1st, 2019**      **Your Name:**

***Scholarship Selections***

- After reviewing the list of scholarships, list below the scholarships for which you are applying **in alphabetical order**.
- Submit **only one copy of this list** placed on the top of your typed scholarship application packages (one set for each scholarship). Put a rubber band around your stack of applications
- Check with Mrs. Gillis if you have any questions.

***List of scholarships applied for:***

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***How to request a Letter of Recommendation:***

- Create your Personal Profile/Brag Sheet
- Write a Letter Requesting a Letter of Recommendation to the teacher(s), employer, volunteer supervisor, and/or other significant individual who can speak to your academic abilities and/or character and/or leadership skills (see sample on next page)
- Print out a copy of your transcript from Aeries
- Make a packet of these three documents (1. Letter Requesting a Letter of Recommendation, 2. Personal Profile/Brag Sheet, 3. Transcript) for each person you request a letter of recommendation from...put them in an 8 ½ by 11 manila envelope
- Personally hand the envelope to your chosen recommender(s)

***Paso Robles High School Local Scholarships Information***

The following scholarships are sponsored and awarded to Paso Robles High School seniors at the May 30, 2019 Senior Scholarship and Award Night. Applicants should note the following.

- Students must be full time Paso Robles High School students on track for June 2019 graduation with Paso Robles High School diploma.
- The criteria may vary with each scholarship presented in this booklet.
- **February 1st, 2019 at 4:00 PM:** This deadline for submitting your completed application packages will be adhered to strictly.
- You must submit a completed scholarship package (**see the instructions and application on pages 2-5 of this booklet**) for each scholarship for which you wish to apply. For example: applying for eight (8) scholarships requires that you submit nine (9) complete sets/packages of your application...you will leave one extra with Mrs. Gillis
- All scholarship amounts are approximate and subject to change.
- Scholarship checks will not be released until you show the scholarship grantor or 4A Foundation proof of college registration (a copy of your fall schedule of classes or fall tuition payment receipt) **AND** complete and submit the PR4A Recipient Information page.
- Various county, state, regional, and national scholarships may also be available to PRHS seniors. See the Additional Scholarship section on pages 13-17, the websites listed on page 17, or visit the Career Center for more information.

LOCAL APPLICATION DEADLINE: FEBRUARY 1st

All local applications must be in the Career Center by 4:00pm

**NO EXCEPTIONS!**

## ***Local Scholarships***

### **American Association of University Women Academic Scholarship**

Applicant must have a 3.70 or higher cumulative, un-weighted grade-point average. These merit-based scholarships are open to graduating seniors, either male or female, who plan to attend a four-year university. The applicant may attend a community college first as long as he/she plans to transfer to a university. Applicants are judged based on academics, extracurricular activities, community service, scholarship essay, and a personal interview. Amount of awards - variable.

### **American Association of University Women Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) Scholarship**

Applicants must be an AVID student for a minimum of two high school years including senior year and have a 3.5 or higher cumulative, un-weighted GPA. Applicant must plan to continue his/her education at a 4-year college. Applicants are judged based on academics, extracurricular activities, community service, scholarship essay, and a personal interview. Amount of awards - variable.

### **Anthony Riso Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship is given in memory of Anthony's passion for athletics and the values they instill. Students must be involved in one or more sports program, have a minimum 2.5 GPA and show financial need. Students are required to submit a letter explaining why they should be considered. Amount of award \$500.

### **Brynn and Brittni Frace Memorial "Miles of Smiles" Scholarship**

Brynn and Brittni Frace were sisters and best friends who grew up in Paso Robles and graduated as scholar-athletes from Atascadero High School in 2014 and 2016. Brynn and Brittni were on varsity cross-country, soccer and track starting their freshman years while maintaining educational excellence and a supportive network of deep friendships with classmates. Brynn and Brittni both attended Chico State University where they focused on their love of distance running, healthy eating, environment sustainability and having a joyous time with close friends. Brittni was recruited to Chico and was on a scholarship for cross-country and track while studying exercise physiology. Brynn was studying to be a civil engineer with focus on sustainability while training for marathons. The Brynn and Brittni Frace Memorial Scholarship is intended for a scholar-athlete who would honor their love of sports, the Earth, healthy living, joy of life and their belief every run should be "Miles of Smiles." Applicant must be attending community college or a 4yr university, and must have participated in track and/or cross country for a minimum of 2 years. Amount of award \$1000.

### **The Buck-Moyer Family**

Two scholarships are being offered to students with a 3.0 GPA or higher and enrolling in a four-year or two-year college or a technical school. Students must have experienced homelessness or foster care during their lifetime and elaborate briefly on this experience in their application essay. Amount of awards - \$3000.

### **California School Employees Association Scholarship**

Applicant must be a graduating senior from PRHS. In addition, student's parent or guardian must be a member of CSEA Chapter 254 (not a service fee payer) for the entire school year. Amount of award - variable.

### **Creston Firefighters, EMTs & Nursing Scholarship**

Applicant must be planning to attend a school program in preparation for one of these helping professions (firefighting, EMT, or nursing). Amount of award - \$500.



### **Downtown Paso Robles Mainstreet Association Merchants Scholarship**

Applicant must be a senior student with a business major planning to continue his/her education at a four-year university, two-year community college, or trade/vocational school. Students will be interviewed. Amount of award - variable.

### **El Pollo Loco Scholarship**

The qualifying applicants must be seniors planning to continue education at a higher level. Involvement in community service is a qualifying criteria and should be discussed in the application essay. Amount of award - \$500.

### **Elizabeth Hartsell Hopper Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship will be awarded to students, with a minimum 2.5 GPA, that are involved in the Arts and interested in majoring in an area related to the Arts: performing arts, visual arts or creative writing. Amount of Award-Variable

### **Evan Bradley Courter Memorial Scholarship**

Sponsored by the Band Backers and given in memory of Evan Courter, who was a member of the Paso Robles High School Marching and Concert Bands. He so loved the music program that he continued volunteering his time for thirteen years after his graduation. Applicant must be a graduating senior, and accepted to attend an accredited university, college, community college, technical or vocational school. Funds will be released upon receipt of registration. Student must have been a member of band or color guard for their junior and senior year, and show a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher. Two letters of recommendation, an autobiographical essay (max. of pages/double spaced) required. Extra consideration given to those who volunteered extra time to Program of the Backers. Amount of award - \$500.

### **Hispanic Community Foundation founded by the Hispanic Business Association**

Applicants must be a senior student planning to continue his/her education at either a 4-year university, 2-year community college, or trade/vocational school with a minimum 3.0 GPA. Student must have completed community service hours and/or participated in a mentoring program. Amount of awards - variable.

### **Housing Authority of the City of Paso Robles Scholarship**

Applicants must live in the Oak Park Housing Units and be a participant in our YouthWorks program. Each student must have a strong desire to further his/her education and show positive school and community involvement. A 2.5 or above GPA must be maintained. Scholarships will be granted for enrollment in a university, 4-year college, community college, or trade or vocational program. Applicants may renew the scholarship yearly for up to 2 years with approval of transcripts and satisfactory progress, providing funds are available. Amount of award- variable.

### **I CARE International, Inc.**

I CARE International, Inc. is a non-religious, non-political, non-discriminatory organization whose goal is to help others improve their quality of life by providing the gift of better vision and health. I CARE volunteers, including volunteer optometrists and other professionals, donate their time and pay for their own travel and living expenses. Collaboration with high school students, community service groups, civic and government organizations, translators, and the medical and business communities, both locally and in host countries allows I CARE International, Inc. to coordinate vision clinics in areas that do not have vision services. The PRHS AVID students that participate in the used eyeglass neutralization program are an integral part of this process. This scholarships is a small gratitude from a private donor to a PRHS senior involved with the glasses neutralization program.

Amount of Award- \$1000

### **James Austin Memorial Scholarship**

Student must be a senior with an IEP and provide proof of acceptance to a junior college, vocational school, training program or four year college. Financial need and highest GPA will be considered if multiple applicants. Check for the scholarship will be available at the District Office. Amount of award - variable.

### **Jeff Silva Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship is given in memory of Jeff's dedicated involvement with FFA in both his chapter and region. Student must be pursuing a two- or four-year degree in any Ag field or trade school, including welding. Applicant must show financial need, participation in FFA, and exhibit leadership abilities. Minimum GPA of 2.5. Additional information: student must write a paragraph explaining why he/she deserves this scholarship. Amount of award - \$500.00.

### **Joe Vega Memorial Scholarship**

Applicants must be a PRHS graduating senior, have a 3.0 GPA or higher, and planning on attending college or a certified trade school. Applicants are judged based on academics, extracurricular activities, community service, and the scholarship essay. An application and three letters of recommendation, including one from the community, are required. Amount of award – variable.

### **Jose Mora Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship is intended for English learners who plan to attend a college/university or trade/technical school. Students must have a 2.5 GPA or higher and cannot have attended PRHS fewer than two (2) years. Applicants must submit one letter of recommendation from teacher, counselor, etc., and a transcript. Amount of award - variable.

### **Kiwanis Club Scholarship**

Applicant must have a 2.5 or higher cumulative grade point average, be two-year college or four- year university bound, and demonstrate leadership, citizenship and school/community involvement. Finalists may be interviewed. Amount of awards - \$1000.

### **Law Offices of Kevin C. Gregg Immigrant Achievement Scholarship**

This scholarship is for a first-generation immigrant or a child of immigrants (discuss in your application essay) planning to attend a four-year college or a two-year college (for general education requirements with the intent to transfer in two years). The scholarship is renewable at the discretion of the donor based on continuing enrollment and performance (and transfer to a four-year school should the beneficiary be attending a community college). Amount of award - \$500, renewable.

### **Lions Club Scholarship**

- *General Scholarships and Leo's Club Scholarships:* Students planning to enroll in trade/vocational school or a two-year college will be given priority. Other considerations are financial need, community volunteerism, extracurricular activities, GPA, and Leo's Club participation (please note on application that you are a Leo's Club member). Amounts of awards – variable.
- *Bill Clark Memorial and Wally Ohles Memorial Scholarships:* In addition to the criteria noted above, applicants should have a record of participation in high school athletic events. Amount of award – variable
- *Phyllis Hatch Memorial:* In addition to the criteria noted above, applicants should be planning to have a career in Education. Amount of award – \$1,000

### **Mickey Cook Memorial Track Scholarship**

Two scholarships (a male and a female recipient) are being given in memory of Coach Cook, dedicated PRHS coach and teacher. Students must be dedicated members of the track team (minimum of 2 years) who epitomizes the Bearcat philosophy of teamwork, sportsmanship, and personal integrity. The amount of each award is \$500.

### **Mike Bland Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship honors Mike Bland, beloved Georgia Brown Elementary teacher 1999-2011. Student must be an alumnus of Georgia Brown Elementary dual-language immersion program and be accepted to an accredited community college, trade or technical school, or four-year college. The successful candidate shall possess a spirit of willingness to help those less fortunate. Financial need will be considered. Provide two letters of recommendation. Amount of award – variable

### **Multiflora Garden Club Scholarship**

Applicant must have an extracurricular or volunteer history of participation in and academic and professional plans to pursue involvement in horticulture (gardening), ecology, floriculture, landscape architecture, plant science, or agronomy (crop science). Applicant must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 and plans to attend a 4-year university or community college in the fall. Amount of award - variable.

### **North San Luis Obispo County Exchange Club Scholarship**

This scholarship will be awarded to a student who has demonstrated excellent service to the community and/or his/her school, has demonstrated leadership and active involvement in community and/or school activities, is a good citizen, and has a goal of continuing education. Amount of award - variable.

### **Officer DJ Bigelow Memorial Scholarship**

Two scholarships will be given in memory of DJ Bigelow, Paso Robles Police Officer. Applicants must have a 3.0 or higher cumulative GPA, be a four-year university student, and demonstrate leadership, citizenship and school/community involvement. Amount of awards -Varies

### **Optimist Club Scholarship**

Student must be planning to attend a two-year or four-year college, trade or vocational school, and have a GPA of 2.5 or higher. List on the application your history of community service and extracurricular activities. Amount of awards - variable.

### **Paso Robles Education Alliance Scholarship**

PREA's requirements are that each student being considered will not only excel in academics, but show great leadership, service and/or involvement within our community and school. In addition to a strong desire to further their education, each student's financial need will be considered. All recipients will be given after proof of registration and/or submission of a documented progress report. Students must be legal California residents. Two letters of recommendation will be required. Amount of award(s) - variable

### **Paso Robles Elks Lodge 2364 Scholarship**

Students that are involved in community service, have outstanding leadership skills, and students with financial need are a consideration. Student must attend either a trade/vocational, community college or four-year university. PR Elks is a fraternal non-profit service organization that supports Veterans, Youth, Hoop Shoot, Soccer Shoot, Flag Day, and the Scouts, and give to other charity groups. Four scholarships available. Amount of award - \$500 each.

### **Paso Robles FFA Boosters Scholarship**

*Awarded to three outstanding FFA graduating seniors pursuing a two- or four-year academic degree. Students must have successfully completed at least three years of Agricultural Education as PRHS FFA members, exhibit leadership, and participate in service activities. In the application essay, demonstrate how the FFA Mission and/or Motto has shaped your life. Finalists will be interviewed. Amount of award(s) - variable*

*FFA Mission: FFA makes a positive difference in the lives of students by developing their potential for premier leadership, personal growth and career success through agricultural education.*

*FFA Motto: Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve*

### **Paso Robles High School Class of 1946 Scholarship**

This scholarship was established to provide support for graduating seniors attending PRHS and have attended PRHS all 4 years. The applicant must be a U.S. citizen and plan to attend school full-time at a four-year college/university. In addition to the above criteria, an applicant must demonstrate financial need, academic achievement, and qualities with regard to group contributions, goal and task completion, and community service. Amount of each of two awards - \$2000.

### **Paso Robles High School Class of 1962**

The PRHS Class of 1962 is pleased to offer a one-time scholarship of \$1000.00 to a 2019 graduating senior from Paso Robles High School. The applicant must have maintained a grade point average of 3.0 or better. He/She must have applied to a community college or tech/vocational/trade school. Acceptance and enrollment in the chosen school must be provided before the award is made. The applicant must be of good character reflecting Bearcat ideals and traditions and those of the greater community of Paso Robles. Additionally, it is hoped that the applicant has participated in at least one extra-curricular activity either in or outside of school. If so, please explain the activity, office or service and the number of hours or years that the applicant participated. As part of the application, the applicant will be asked to provide an essay of no longer than five hundred (500) words giving us information about their life story: details of their life that helped form who they are; when they became interested in their major/career interest and what they have learned about it; what caused them to become interested in this particular career; what personal characteristics and/or skills do they possess that will aid their prospects of success in the chosen career; and, what distinguishes them from other applicants. There will be an oral interview of the top three applicants to determine the recipient.

### **Paso Robles Pioneer Day Committee Scholarship**

- *Pioneer Day Scholarships:* Pioneer Day Scholarships: These two scholarships have been established to provide support for graduating seniors who have attended Paso Robles High School for four years. Students must attend a trade/vocational school, community college, or four-year university. A GPA of 2.5 or higher is required. Applicants for this scholarship must show a desire to pursue interests in the Industrial Arts or Ag-related studies. Students must demonstrate leadership, citizenship, and school/ community involvement in their application essay. Amount of each of two awards - \$1000.
- *Paso Robles Heritage Scholarship:* This scholarship has been established for the student who has a 3.0 or higher GPA and has attended PRHS all four years. Students must attend a trade/vocational school, community college, or four-year university. Applicants must represent a Pioneer Heritage of at least 75 years to qualify. Applicants must demonstrate their affinity and dedication to honoring their pioneer families and recognizing the rich heritage they have contributed to the area in their application essay. Amount of award - \$1000.

### **Paso Robles Public Educators Scholarship**

Applicants need a 3.0 or higher cumulative grade point average, must have attended school in Paso Robles Public Schools for ten or more years, must demonstrate good citizenship, and should intend to pursue education or training. Two awards are available- Variable

### **Paso Robles Republican Women Federated Scholarship**

Scholarships will be awarded to graduating seniors with a grade point average of 3.0 or higher who have applied to and have been accepted at a trade school, community college, or a four-year college / university. The applicants are required to submit a one to two page essay which shall include their leadership skills in either Paso Robles High School or our community. Also, included in this essay should be a description of their conservative values and future educational goals. Two letters of recommendation are also required. Upon proof of admission, scholarship money will be dispersed to the school/program one will be attending. The amount of scholarship awards is variable.

### **Paso Robles Rotary Club Scholarship**

A GPA of 3.0 or higher is required. Students must plan to attend a four-year university the next school year and must demonstrate leadership involvement in school and/or community. Financial need is an important factor. Finalists will be interviewed. Amount of awards - \$3000.

### **Peter Perino Memorial Engineering Scholarship**

One scholarship will be given in memory of Peter Perino an electrical engineer and leader in the electro-mechanical transducer industry. Applicants must have a 3.5 GPA or higher, be a varsity athlete, be enrolled at a four-year university in the fall, and be majoring in Electrical, Mechanical or Computer Engineering. Amount of award - \$1000.

### **Prince Family Scholarship**

Minimum 3.0 gpa required. Must be accepted to a trade/technical school, accredited community college or 4-year college. Community service AND work experience required. Please provide an original essay explaining the reason for financial need. -Amount Variable

### **Reese Lewis Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship is open to students who have been enrolled in CTE Education Pathway Courses for at least one academic year and are planning to work in a career with children. The applicant must write a short essay on how they have overcome adversity and challenges in their own life and how they believe the presence of nurturing and supportive adults can help a child persevere through challenging life circumstances. Amount of award - \$500

### **Rolande Admundsen Memorial Scholarship**

Applicants must be a graduating seniors interested in pursuing the medical field, particularly nursing. Involvement in volunteer work will be highly considered. Amount of award - \$500.

### **San Miguel Car Chamber and Car Show Scholarship Fund**

Candidates for the San Miguel Chamber of Commerce and Car Show Scholarship Fund must have attended Lillian Larsen School in San Miguel, Ca. for the 4 (four) years leading to their matriculation to PRHS. Student(s) should plan to attend a two-year or four-year college, trade or vocational school upon completion of high school, have a GPA of 2.5 or better, complete an essay prompt specified by the SMCC/Car Show Scholarship Committee that includes details of one's community service and/or extracurricular activities. Amount of award is variable (from \$1000 to 2(two) \$500 awards).

### **Sanora G. Anderson Memorial Scholarship**

This scholarship is created in hopes of assisting students interested in pursuing a continuing education in either the field of the education of special needs children or in pediatric medicine, including all varied specialties. Students must display a good academic record; excellent citizenship will be considered. They must be pursuing a four-year college degree (award distributed upon proof of acceptance and registration). Two letters of recommendation (by teacher, coach, counselor, employer, or community organization) plus a paragraph written by the student stating why they desire this scholarship are required. At least one scholarship will be awarded. Amount of award is variable. There is the possibility of renewing the scholarship up to five years with the submission of most recent transcript and a reapplication letter each year; (please email for more information).

### **Sunrise Rotary Scholarship**

- *Sunrise Rotary Scholarship:* A GPA of 3.0 or higher is required. Students must plan to attend a four-year university or college, or a Community College the next school year and must demonstrate leadership involvement in school and/or community. Finalists may be interviewed. Amount of awards - \$1,000 minimum.
- *Sunrise Rotary Technical Education Scholarship:* Students must plan to attend a post-secondary program in the Technical Education Pathway. Include these items with your application: Skills USA Letter of Introduction and Skills USA Resume. Amount of awards - \$1000.

**Superintendent Award of Science and Technology Sponsored by Oxigenesis Scholarship**

OXIGENESIS specializes in the research, development, and marketing of oxygen-related products. Our focus is developing unique formulations for the medical, health and nutrition, health and beauty, food handling and food preparation, agricultural and industrial marketplaces. We are offering two renewable scholarships to students who will be attending a two-year college or technical/trade school and majoring in a science (e.g. biology, chemistry, anatomy) or technology field. Students must have a 2.5 or higher GPA and show involvement in extracurricular activities, leadership, clubs, and/or volunteer service. Amount of awards - \$2500-5000; may be renewed up to two years based on transcripts and satisfactory progress.

**The San Miguel Chamber Community Scholarship**

The qualifying senior must have attended Lillian Larsen School for a minimum of 4 years, including the 8th grade year, have at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA, and be involved in community and school activities. Student must have a plan to follow their dreams or achieve their goals knowing they have the support of their hometown. Amount of award - \$500.

**William F. Stroud Jr. Scholarship**

Seniors applying for this scholarship must have excelled in either the Vocational Arts (CTE Pathway courses) or on the Athletic Field and must exemplify true Bearcat Spirit at all times. Amount of Award - \$1000

**Women of the Moose Scholarship**

Students applying for this scholarship will have significant financial need which must be noted on the application. Participation in extracurricular activities that encourage drug-use prevention and involve working with their high school peers (FNL, Link, Peer, etc.) is also a criterion for consideration for this scholarship. Amount of award – variable.

**🚫 🚫 🚫 STOP: Do NOT use the PRHS Scholarship Application for the scholarships beyond this point!!!**

## ***Additional Scholarships***

***These are Additional Scholarships that have unique deadlines and require separate applications and additional information. Many of the applications must be obtained online or from the Career Center and many are submitted online or mailed in. Check the PRHS Career Center or Counselor websites for direct links to many of these scholarships and for updates to this section of the Senior Scholarship booklet.***

### **California Wine Grape Growers Foundation Scholarship**

- For students whose parent(s) or legal guardian(s) are employees of a California Wine Grape Grower and who will be attending a California community college (four \$2000 awards-renewable for two years) or a CSU or UC (two \$8000 awards-renewable for four years).
- For students on the Central Coast who will be majoring in Viticulture and/or Enology at Hancock College or Cal Poly.

**Applications:** <http://cawgfoundation.org> **Application deadline: March 8, 2019.**

### **Cal. RTA (California Retired Teachers Association) Scholarship**

GPA of 3.5 or better required. Applicant must indicate a strong desire to further his/her education, attend a vocational school, or a two or four year college, maintain high academic standards, and show community and school involvement. Applicant may pursue any field of study, though careers in education will receive additional consideration. Financial need may be considered. An application and three letters of recommendation are required. Finalists will be interviewed. Amount of awards- \$700. See Mrs. Gillis in the Career Center for the application.

### **CANERS (California Association of Nurseries and Garden Centers) Foundation Scholarship**

This scholarship is for students pursuing an education and career in Horticulture or Agribusiness related to Horticulture...see details on application. **Applications:** [cangc.org/scholarships.html](http://cangc.org/scholarships.html). **Applications will be available soon. Check website for more information.**

### **Community Advisory Committee Scholarship**

Students must be a senior with an IEP, 2.0 GPA, and graduating with a Diploma or Certificate of Completion. Students do not have to be continuing on with a formal education. Amount of award -variable.

**Applications:** email: [ksallac@sloselpa.org](mailto:ksallac@sloselpa.org) - **Application deadline coming soon.**

### **Creston Women's Club Scholarship**

Applicant must be from the Creston Area as defined by the Creston Advisory Body borders (see attached map), be a 2018 PRHS graduate, must be accepted to attend (with subsequent enrollment at) an accredited college, university, or vocational school. Scholarship is based on academic achievement, involvement in the community, and minimum GPA of 2.0. Preference given to students pursuing studies related to the field of agriculture. Two letters of recommendation required. Amount of award - variable. Applications (available in January): [Lisa@LisaMillerRealty.com](mailto:Lisa@LisaMillerRealty.com) or Creston Country Market or Creston Library or PRHS Career Center. Application deadline: April 1, 2019. When requesting official transcripts, please be mindful of school closures due Spring Break and plan accordingly.

### **Dr. Wilmar Scholarship**

This scholarship is for a top senior (male) in the area of math and science, as selected by faculty members, pursuing pre-med, medicine, engineering, or any of the exact sciences at a California College or University. **NO APPLICATION ACCEPTED. STUDENTS ARE FACULTY NOMINATED.** Amount of Award -\$1000

### **First Presbyterian Church of Templeton**

1) Active covenant partner at TPC or child of a covenant partner or a student who actively participates in the TPC youth group. 2) Attending a 4 year accredited college or university or graduate school; 3) 2 letters of recommendation (one character reference/one academic reference); High School Graduate Applicants FASA Summary attached to scholarship application; Essay - Limited to one typewritten page. Write an essay stating how you've accomplished the criterion in the mission statement of this scholarship. Come to the counseling office for the application.

### **Harrod Family Scholarship**

Awarded to an AP student for academic excellence. Amount of award - \$1500. Students are AP- faculty nominated. No applications accepted. AP students nominated by faculty will be asked to complete a cover letter, resume, and biographical essay which will be submitted to the Career Center in May 2019.

### **I CARE International, Inc.**

I CARE International, Inc. is a non-religious, non-political, non-discriminatory organization whose goal is to help others improve their quality of life by providing the gift of better vision and health. I CARE volunteers, including volunteer optometrists and other professionals, donate their time, and pay for their own travel and living expenses.

Collaboration with high school students, community service groups, civic and government organizations, translators, and the medical and business communities, both locally and in host countries allows I CARE International, Inc. to coordinate vision clinics in areas that do not have vision services. The PRHS AVID students that participate in the used eyeglass neutralization program are an integral part of this process. These scholarships are a small gratitude from a private donor to PRHS seniors involved with the glasses neutralization program.

Amount of Award- 2 at \$1000 each

### **Italian Catholic Federation Scholarship**

This scholarship is for seniors with at least a 3.2 GPA and are Roman Catholic and of Italian descent. For more information: [www.icf.org](http://www.icf.org)- Amount of award - \$400. **Applications: [www.ICF.org](http://www.ICF.org) Application deadline: March 15, 2019.**

### **Kayla Peach Memorial Foundation Scholarship**

Scholarship(s) will be awarded heavily based on how this scholarship will help with furthering your education, your desire to make a difference, and your spirit to help those less fortunate. Consideration will also be given to recommendations of outstanding citizenship, extra-curricular activities, community service, financial need, and general disposition, worthiness, and character. There is no restriction regarding the type of continuing education you are pursuing. Amount of award- \$500. Pick up applications in the PRHS Career Center. Application deadline: March 1, 2019.

### **Marine Corps League Detachment 680 (MCL680) Scholarship**

The MCL Det. 680 scholarship(s) will be awarded based upon student's commitment to the Mission Statement; merit and/or financial need will also be considered. The MCL Det. 680 scholarship(s) may be awarded to graduating high school students, continuing college students and/or graduate students. High School applicants must demonstrate a minimum 3.5 GPA and submit their high school transcripts. College/Graduate applicants must demonstrate a minimum 3.0 GPA and submit their college transcripts. Preferential consideration will be given to members and associate members of MCL Det. 680 and their respective dependents, and secondly to U.S. Marines and U.S. Marine veterans living within the County of San Luis Obispo, California. There should be an annual campaign to raise funds designated for the Scholarship Fund. Scholarship winners should be invited as Detachment guests to our annual Marine Corps Birthday Ball. Come to the counseling office for the application. Deadline MARCH 31st.



### **Mothers For Peace**

San Luis Obispo Mothers for Peace offers a \$1,000 scholarship to a high school senior attending either a public or private high school in San Luis Obispo County. The recipient must have educational goals that will make a significant, positive impact on the physical, social, or political environment. There is no restriction on proposed field of major study. Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the student. Deadline March 13th. Application:

<https://mothersforpeace.org/data/2018/annual-scholarship-high-school-award-1>

### **Paso Robles Chamber of Commerce Women in Business Scholarship**

The Paso Robles Chamber of Commerce Women in Business Scholarship is available to any graduating senior with a 2.0 GPA or higher. The applicant must enroll in a College/University/Trade School by September of the award year.

Required documents upon submission: 2 letters of recommendation, high school transcript, essay, and the Chamber of Commerce Application. Applications will be emailed to you via your school email. Specific information regarding the application essay and other requirements can be found on the application itself. The application deadline is: **February 1st**

### **Paso Robles High School Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID) Scholarship**

The PRHS AVID program scholarships are *limited to AVID students only* who have been accepted to and will attend a four-year university. Amount of award - variable. **Applications: distributed and collected in the AVID 12 class.**

**Application deadline: in May TBA.**

### **Paso Robles Wine Country Alliance Scholarship**

The PRWCA is offering three \$1500 scholarships in 2019 to graduating North County high school seniors who will be attending either a 2- or 4-year college. Priority is given to children of wine industry employees or those planning to major in ag-related majors. Selection is based upon financial need, demonstrated scholastic ability, community involvement, leadership and/or work history, determination to succeed, and a 500 word essay. Applications:

<https://pasowine2019college.paperform.co/> Application deadline: March 15, 2019.

### **San Luis Obispo Vocal Arts Ensemble**

Awarded to an orchestral string player or vocalist. See application in your school email. Deadline to apply is February 15th, 2019. Selection notification April 2019.

### **The Monday Club Fine Arts Award (Music and Visual Arts)**

The Monday Club Fine Arts Awards Competition recognizes excellence in Music and Visual Arts. Applicants compete for 1st (\$1500) and 2nd (\$1000) place awards in each category. Each discipline requires submission of an application and digital entries. The application period opens November 30, 2018, with applications and auditions due on January 31 2019. **Applications: themondayclubslo.org**

### **Twin Cities Hospital Volunteer Scholarship**

Applicant must have given a minimum of 100 service hours as a student volunteer at Twin Cities Hospital while in high school. School to be attended must be an accredited college, university, or technical school. Qualified student must be planning to pursue a career which requires two or more years of college education. Students must be seniors attending a North County High school in the County of San Luis Obispo or completing the equivalent of 12th grade in Home School. A 3.0 GPA (out of a possible 4.0) for the last two years is necessary. Financial need will be considered by the Scholarship Committee. Community service will also be considered. Applicants will be judged on other volunteer activities in their community, school, and church. Application and deadline: contact the Volunteer Coordinator at Twin Cities Hospital.



**Scholarships:** [cfsloco.org/scholarships.php](http://cfsloco.org/scholarships.php)

The Community Foundation San Luis Obispo County's program began in 2000 and has awarded more than 800 student scholarships, worth more than \$1.6 million.

Each scholarship listed below has unique criteria. ***You must complete the applicable online application and carefully note the application deadline for each scholarship.***

All applications are located on The Community Foundation website at [cfsloco.org](http://cfsloco.org) or [cfsloco.org/scholarships.php](http://cfsloco.org/scholarships.php)

Scholarships for PRHS include:

◆ **Maureen “Mo” Clancy Memorial Scholarship – due February 1, 2019**

The scholarship was established to honor the memory of Maureen “Mo” Clancy. Mo lived to help others and will forever be remembered as a strong-willed, loving and passionate person. Applicant is currently a senior girl at a San Luis Obispo County high school, planning to attend full-time at an approved community college, four-year college or vocational school. Scholarship value of \$2,000.

◆ **Sera Day Coryell Nursing Education Scholarship – due February 1, 2019**

This scholarship supports graduating seniors attending high school in San Luis Obispo County. The Scholarship Committee intends to award one \$2,000 scholarship that may be annually renewed providing that the student is making satisfactory progress toward Bachelor of Science in Nursing Program requirements and maintains a 3.0 GPA.

◆ **Douglas De Gross Automotive Studies – due March 8, 2019**

The Douglas DeGross Scholarship for Automotive Studies provides support to graduating high school seniors in San Luis Obispo County who are pursuing a career in the automotive industry. The applicant must be committed to pursuing a post-secondary education at an approved community college, four-year college/university or vocational school. The Scholarship Committee will award one \$2,000 scholarship.

◆ **Helen and Ronald Dunin Legacy Scholarship- due February 1, 2019**

Established to honor the legacy of the Dunins' desire to help people who are attempting to help themselves. The Scholarship supports first generation students at public high schools in San Luis Obispo County. Applicants must attend full time at a four-year college, have demonstrated financial need, with a minimum high school cumulative unweighted GPA of 2.7 and a maximum 3.7, on a 4.0 scale. The Scholarship Committee intends to award a multi-year scholarship with a total value of \$12,000.

◆ **The Garris Family Scholarship – due February 1, 2019**

The scholarship supports graduating seniors at public high schools in San Luis Obispo County. Applicant must be dedicated to attend any post-secondary education, full or part-time. Applicant must have demonstrated need for financial aid and Pell Grant eligibility, with a minimum high school cumulative GPA of 2.7 and a maximum of 3.7, on a 4.0 scale. Awards will be at least \$1,500 and up to \$10,000.

◆ **Dennis T. Collins/Thomas D. Salisbury Troop 60 Eagle Scout – due February 1, 2019** This memorial scholarship was established to provide educational support for the benefit of Eagle Scouts from Boy Scout Eagle Scouts Troop 60. This scholarship requires the recipient to be an Eagle Scout from Paso Robles Troop 60 and maintain at least a 3.0 GPA. The Committee will award one \$2,500 scholarship.

◆ **David B. Gianas Memorial Scholarship – due March 8, 2019**

This educational scholarship is for students at Atascadero and Paso Robles comprehensive and continuation high schools special needs (IEP or 504 plans). The Committee awards multiple scholarships of \$1,500 and is renewable. Hard Copy Application available to download on our website.

◆ **Gary Grossman Scholarship- for LGBTQ – due February 1, 2019**

The Gary Grossman Scholarship was established to provide post-secondary scholarship assistance to high school or college students who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgender. Awards will be at least \$1,000 and up to \$5,000.

◆ **Martin Resorts Scholarship –for children of Martin Resorts employees – due February 1, 2019**

The Martin Resorts Scholarship awards two scholarships of \$1,500 to children of Martin Resorts employees that plan to continue their education after high school. The scholarship aims to recognize student leadership and achievements.

◆ **Kelly A. McAdams Scholarship – due February 1, 2019**

Established to honor the memory of Kelly A. McAdams, a graduate of our local schools and a lifelong student with an inquisitive mind. The award is intended to support a deserving high school student from San Luis Obispo county. The Scholarship Committee intends to award a multi-year \$2,500 scholarship, with a total value of \$10,000 over the four years.

◆ **Justin McCutcheon Scholarship –for Varsity golfers in CCAA – due May 2019**

In memory of Justin McCutcheon, this scholarship will be awarded annually to a senior golfer attending a high school in San Luis Obispo or northern Santa Barbara County that participates in the CCAA sports league. Award value \$1,000.

◆ **Gary Paul Piantanida Scholarship – due February 1, 2019**

Established to fund scholarships for qualified students or graduates from a high school in San Luis Obispo County. The Scholarship Committee intends to award a multi-year \$3,000 scholarship, with a total value of \$12,000 over the four years. Merit, school/community service and financial need.

◆ **Burt W. and Virginia Polin Elks Scholarship – due February 1, 2019**

The Scholarship Committee would like to award one merit-based \$2,000 scholarship for a high school graduate pursuing a degree in public safety. The scholarship is based on the Elks tenets of: charity, justice, patriotism, good fellowship & service.

◆ **Dorothy Ross Memorial Scholarship – due March 8, 2019**

This scholarship was established to support students who have served time in juvenile hall and have demonstrated a life change and a commitment to higher education. The scholarship committee plans to award two (2) \$1,000.00 awards. Renewable

◆ **Scholarship and Mentorship Scholarship – due February 1, 2019**

The scholarship's purpose is to provide financial support for current or former foster youth who are participating in Family Care Network's Independent Living Program. Total award value will be dependent on recipient's post-secondary institution and enrollment status.

◆ **Alan D. Stephenson Scholarship for LGBTQ – due February 1, 2019**

The Alan D. Stephenson Scholarship was established to support promising LGBTQ students to achieve their academic potential. The scholarship is open to students graduating from high school in San Luis Obispo County. Students planning to attend a four year college or university. Award will be \$10,000 over a four year period.

◆ **Vineyard and Farm Workers Scholarship – due February 1, 2019**

The Vineyard and Farm Worker's Scholarship supports higher education for the children of vineyard and farm workers. The applicant must be committed to pursuing a post-secondary education at Allan Hancock College, Cuesta College or California Polytechnic State University-SLO. The award will be multi-year and dependent upon years attending college/university.

◆ **Richard J. Weyhrich Leadership Award – due February 1, 2019**

Wanted: School and Community leaders! The Scholarship Committee would like to award at least one \$4,000 scholarship at each San Luis Obispo County comprehensive high school. This scholarship comes with recognition from the SLO County Board of Supervisors and a medal. If you are involved with your school or community, and demonstrate leadership potential this is for you!

◆ **Yeager Science Scholarship – due February 1, 2019**

This scholarship was established to provide support to students with the purpose to make a positive impact in the life of the recipient. It is targeted for those who are economically/culturally disadvantaged, and would find attending college difficult. The scholarship focuses on students intending to major in physical science and related fields at a California public college or university. Award will be \$23,000 over four year period.

SPECIAL NOTE: Many of these scholarship applications request a letter of recommendation from any teacher or adult, who can speak to your potential for this scholarship, via email sent by the application. The application requires unofficial transcripts and FAFSA results.

**Visit the PRHS Career Center if you have any questions or contact Angela Hollander, Community Foundation Scholarship Program Associate at 543-2323, ext. 14.**

**Did you know . . .**

- Some scholarships are not awarded because no one applies for them.
- Money is available to finance vocational training: welding, mechanics, automotive, food service.
- Some scholarships are given to families with relatively high incomes: circumstances make a difference.
- Some scholarships are given to students with "C" averages.
- Some merit based scholarships are not determined by financial need.
- “If all the aid you receive — outside scholarships, financial aid from your college, and government grants and loans — ends up being \$300 or more above your calculated need, the federal government requires your college to reduce the amount of need-based financial aid it awards you. If you don’t report your outside scholarship awards to your college’s financial aid office, you might receive what’s called an “overaward” — and you’ll have to pay back that money”-CollegeBoard
- Outside scholarship awards are coordinated with your financial aid offer **per federal law**. You are responsible to report expected or received funds in the Award Details section

**Website Resources:**

<b>PRHS</b>	Senior Info College and Career	<a href="https://www.pasoschools.org/domain/402">https://www.pasoschools.org/domain/402</a> <a href="https://sites.google.com/pasoschools.org/prhscollegeandcareercenter/home">https://sites.google.com/pasoschools.org/prhscollegeandcareercenter/home</a>
<b>Cuesta College</b>	Cuesta Promise	<a href="https://www.cuesta.edu/admissionsaid/cuestapromise/index.html">https://www.cuesta.edu/admissionsaid/cuestapromise/index.html</a>
<b>Financial Aid Information</b>		finaid.org studentaid.ed.gov salliemae.com
<b>FAFSA: Free Application for Federal Student Aid</b>	fafsa.ed.gov	
<b>CA Dream Act</b>	csac.ca.gov/dream_act.asp	
<b>CSAC: California Student Aid Commission</b>	csac.ca.gov	webgrants4students.org
<b>Scholarship Searches</b>	fastweb.com scholarships.com cappex.com	finaid.org/scholarships scholarshipexperts.com bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search

## **Cuesta College Promise**

The Promise is a scholarship program for all San Luis Obispo County high school graduates which enables them to attend Cuesta fee-free for 2 years

All graduates from San Luis Obispo County high schools, including students who receive their GED or are home-schooled, must attend Cuesta College the fall semester immediately following their completion of high school to qualify.

You must apply for the Cuesta College Promise: [cuesta.edu/student/aboutmoney/cuestapromise/](http://cuesta.edu/student/aboutmoney/cuestapromise/)

The *Promise* covers these costs for the fall and spring semesters:

- Enrollment (\$46 per unit times the number of units the student signs up for—for full or part-time students) *Example: 12 units X \$46 per unit = \$552*
- Health (\$19)
- ASCC Student ID Card (\$10)
- Student Rep (\$1)
- Student Center (\$10)

### **Process necessary to attend Cuesta College:**

- Complete the Cuesta College application: [cuesta.edu/student/getstarted/#step1](http://cuesta.edu/student/getstarted/#step1)
- Complete the FAFSA by March 2: [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov) (Cuesta School Code is **001192**)
- Complete the Promise Scholarship Application by March 2nd:  
<http://www.cuesta.edu/admissionsaid/cuestapromise/>
- Complete the on-line Orientation:
  - ⇒ Please access the Online Orientation through your myCuesta student portal.
  - ⇒ Log-in to myCuesta and click on "Online Orientation" under your "Student" tab.
- Register for and attend Cougar Welcome Day

## **Federal Financial Aid Programs**

### **Grants**

Unlike loans, do not have to be repaid. Must fill out Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

#### **Federal Pell Grant**

Pell Grants are awarded usually only to undergraduate students who have not earned a bachelor's or a professional degree. Pell Grants are considered a foundation of federal financial aid.

#### **Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant (FSEOG)**

The Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant program is for undergraduates with exceptional financial need. Pell Grant recipients with the lowest expected family contributions (EFCs) will be considered first for a FSEOG.

#### **Academic Competitiveness Grant**

The Academic Competitiveness Grant award is in addition to the student's Pell Grant award.

#### **Federal Work-Study (FWS)**

Federal Work-Study (FWS) provides part-time jobs for undergraduate and graduate students with financial need, allowing them to earn money to help pay education expenses. The program encourages community service work and work related to the recipient's course of study. You'll be paid by the hour if you're an undergraduate.

#### **Stafford Loans (FFELs and Direct Loans)**

In addition to [Perkins Loans](#), the U.S. Department of Education administers the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Program and the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan) Program. Both the FFEL and Direct Loan programs consist of what are generally known as Stafford Loans (for students) and [PLUS Loans](#) (for parents).

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Schools generally participate in either the FFEL or Direct Loan program but sometimes participate in both. Under the Direct Loan Program, the funds for your loan come directly from the federal government. Funds for your FFEL will come from a bank, credit union, or other lender that participates in the program. Eligibility rules and loan amounts are identical under both programs, but repayment plans differ somewhat.

### How can I get a FFEL or Direct Loan?

For either type of loan, you must fill out a FAFSA. After your FAFSA is processed, your school will review the results and will inform you about your loan eligibility. You also will have to sign a promissory note, a binding legal document that lists the conditions under which you're borrowing and the terms under which you agree to repay your loan.

The question of whether a loan is subsidized or unsubsidized comes down to who pays the interest while you are in school. **Subsidized** Stafford loans are need-based, and the government pays the interest on these loans while you are in school, during a six-month grace period immediately preceding repayment, and during authorized deferment. **Unsubsidized** Stafford loans are not need-based, and you are responsible for all of the interest that accrues on the loan, including while you are in school.

### Federal Perkins Loans

A Federal Perkins Loan is a low-interest (5 percent) loan for both undergraduate and graduate students with exceptional financial need. Federal Perkins Loans are made through a school's financial aid office. Your school is your lender, and the loan is made with government funds. You must repay this loan to your school. Your school will either pay you directly (usually by check) or apply your loan to your school charges. You'll receive the loan in at least two payments during the academic year.

### List of Common Abbreviations and Websites

ACT	=	American College Testing Program (ACT Admissions Test: <a href="http://act.org">act.org</a> )
Pell Grant	=	Federal Pell Grant ( <a href="http://studentaid.ed.gov">studentaid.ed.gov</a> )
Cal Grant A	=	California Grant A (State Grant: <a href="http://csac.ca.gov">csac.ca.gov</a> )
Cal Grant B	=	California Grant B (College Opportunity Grant: <a href="http://csac.ca.gov">csac.ca.gov</a> )
Cal Grant C	=	California Grant C (California Vocational Grant: <a href="http://csac.ca.gov">csac.ca.gov</a> )
CSAC	=	California Student Aid Commission ( <a href="http://csac.ca.gov">csac.ca.gov</a> & <a href="http://webgrants4students.org">webgrants4students.org</a> )
CB	=	College Board (CEEB, SAT program: <a href="http://collegeboard.org">collegeboard.org</a> )
CEEB	=	Paso Robles High School Code: <b>052425</b>
CSU	=	California State University (23 campuses: <a href="http://www2.calstateapply.edu/apply">www2.calstateapply.edu/apply</a> )
FAFSA	=	Free Application for Federal Student Aid ( <a href="http://fafsa.gov">fafsa.gov</a> )
PSAT	=	Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test ( <a href="http://collegeboard.org">collegeboard.org</a> )
SAT	=	Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT Admissions Test: <a href="http://collegeboard.org">collegeboard.org</a> )
SAT code	=	Sends SAT scores to <b>all</b> CSU campuses: Code <b>3594</b>
UC	=	University of California (10 campuses: <a href="http://universityofcalifornia.edu">universityofcalifornia.edu</a> )

### ***Terms you should know when applying for financial aid.***

**Scholarship** – Financial aid usually based on academic merit or achievement that does not have to be repaid.

**Grant** – Financial aid usually based on financial need that does not have to be repaid

**Loan** – Financial aid that must be repaid. Loan programs have varying repayment provisions.

**Scholarship Loan** – Financial aid that must be repaid in cash or by some type of service rendered. Repayment provisions vary by program.

**Work-Study** – Jobs that enable students to earn a portion of school costs through employment.

**Need-Based Assistance** – The term “need,” as used in financial aid, usually refers to the difference between the resources available to the student (from parents, student savings and summer jobs) and the student's cost of education.

**Need Analysis** – The process evaluation the demonstrated need of an applicant for financial aid. The Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) must be submitted for this process to be completed.

**Budget** – The total cost of attending a post-secondary institution for one academic year. The student's budget usually includes tuition, fees, room, board, books, supplies, travel and personal expenses. Each institution figures its own student budget.

**Financial Aid "Package"** – A package is a combination of grants, loans, and work funds. Post-secondary institutions use it as a tool to meet the financial need of each student in the most effective way possible.

**Self-Help** – The portion of the college budget that the student is expected to provide usually through earnings from summer and part-time jobs, student savings and other student assets.

**EFC-Expected Family Contribution** – The amount which parents should be reasonably expected to provide toward meeting the costs of post-secondary education (PC) added to the student's assets and benefits (Self-Help).

**FAFSA-Free Application for Federal Student Aid** – The application that is necessary to apply for Federal Student Financial Aid programs. The FAFSA is also used for state and college aid. Based on financial need. Start applying as soon as possible after January 1 of the current year.

## ***Alternatives to Financial Aid***

In the event you do not qualify for financial aid, some of the following suggestions may help you decrease the cost of your post-secondary education:

1. Cooperative Education Programs (Cooperative Work Programs) enable a student to alternate attending college with working. The benefits are three-fold: Working helps pay for college, you will gain valuable work experience in your chosen field, and be able to give employers letters of recommendation.
2. ROTC and military academies will pay for part or all of your educational expenses. (There are enlistment programs that will also help.)
3. Scholarships may be offered by parents' employers; social, professional or religious organizations, unions, etc. Compile a reference list with the help of parents.
4. Some colleges have lower housing and board costs because they require their students to share work on the campus.
5. Dual enrollment earns college credit while in high school.
6. Federal, state, and college loans may be available.
7. CLEP tests provide college credit without tuition fees. (Check to be sure the college will accept it.)
8. Summer employment will provide you with savings.