

BECA's 2021 St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application
Instructions and Detailed List of Scholarships-2021

TIMELINE for BECA's 2021 St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application

Friday, December 18, 2020	The application is available at the BECA website www.smcbeca.org
Thursday, January 21, 2021	BECA's Scholarship Fair, VIA Zoom. 4:00 pm. To 6:00 pm. See the BECA website, www.smcbeca.org for more information and a link to the meeting. Be sure to update your Zoom app to the latest version in order to access the chatrooms with the scholarship providers. To find your version number see https://support.zoom.us/hc/en-us/articles/201362393-Viewing-the-Zoom-version-number
January 25, 2021, but sooner is better!	You should file your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) no later than this date so you will have your Student Aid Report (SAR) in time to complete the Common Scholarship Application. Go to http://www.fafsa.gov .) The online 2021 FAFSA Application has been available since October 1, 2021.
On or Before Thursday, February 18, 2021	All three parts of the application are due and are submitted electronically. No paper documents accepted. See how to submit your information in the Checklist, #6, on the next page.
Friday, March 12, 2021	By this date, BECA copies and distributes your application to scholarship providers where you have indicated you wish to apply. During April, the individual providers select the winners of their scholarships and notify them. Interviews of finalists will be held by some scholarship providers. You should frequently check the email address and voice mail number you provided for requests for interviews and notification of awards.
Thursday, April 15, 2021	Scholarship Providers will notify students of their award on or before this date. See the BECA website for a list of scholarship providers who have notified BECA of their selection.
May, TBA	Scholarship Awards Ceremony, if possible to hold safely.

Instructions and Checklist

- This paper, pdf document is titled INSTRUCTIONS AND DETAILED LIST OF SCHOLARSHIPS-2021. Print it, and keep it for your records. Do not send it to BECA.
- The *JotForm Electronic Application with Selection of Scholarships* is a JotForm web form that you complete, save and upload as a pdf, and also submit its data electronically. The web address where you will find the application is <https://form.jotform.com/203176711321142>
- You can also find this link and more instructions and FAQ on the BECA Website <http://www.smcbeca.org/common-scholarship-application> .
- Note that you may work on your application in multiple sessions. Be sure to save your work frequently (button at the bottom of the form).

Checklist

1. Read over these instructions and the list of scholarships below. Follow the instructions in order.
2. On this paper form, check off the scholarships for which you wish to apply and for which you are fully qualified. This is for your own records. Do not submit this to BECA.
3. Enter all the requested information on web-based, *JotForm Electronic Application with Selection of Scholarships* found at the address above.
4. TRANSFER your selection of scholarships from this paper to the *JotForm Electronic Application*. Check the box for each scholarship for which you are applying. You must meet all the requirements for each scholarship you select. You must supply additional essays or other information as requested for scholarships in the Part B, blue section. Most essays are typed directly into the application.
5. SMCPS students should contact their school's College and Career Liaison or College Access Program (CAP Advisor) to review your application before submitting it.
6. When complete, you must do the following:
 - a. Create a pdf of the completed *JotForm Electronic Application with Selection of Scholarships*. Create this by using the green "First Print-Save Form as PDF" button at the bottom of the JotForm application. Use the yellow "Browse Files" button to upload the pdf you created.
 - b. Collect all of your supporting documents (ALL MUST BE IN PORTRAIT ORIENTATION) as listed on the next page + any that are requested by Part B scholarships that are not typed directly into the application. If you have the capability using a scanner or a smartphone scanner such as Adobe Scan, combine all of the supporting documents into one file and upload this using the second yellow "Browse Files" button near the bottom of the JotForm Electronic Application. Otherwise upload individual pdfs. See how each file should be named in the instructions above the yellow "Browse Files" button.
 - c. Submit the data from your 2021 JotForm Electronic Application. To do this, hit the "Last Step: Submit" button at the bottom of your application.

Everyone must use the "Last Step: Submit" button on the online application to electronically send your data to BECA. Your data populates spreadsheets that are given to scholarship providers.

Your application will not be processed if either the pdf of the completed JotForm Electronic Application, the electronic data generated by submitting that form, or the pdf(s) of supporting documentation is missing.

- The deadline for all submissions is midnight, Thursday, February 18, 2021.

Order of scanned items that you will provide to BECA.

- SAR, your Student Aid Report from FAFSA (only the single page that shows your EFC or Expected Family Contribution).
- SAT and/or ACT score report(s). (Optional this year) Forms printed from the web are acceptable.
- Two letters of recommendation. One from someone at your school and one from someone in the community, strongly preferred, or two from school if you are unable to get a letter from a community person.
- A copy of your high school transcript.
- A copy of your current school year report card, showing grades at the end of the first semester of your senior year. You may print this from the web.
- Other items required by scholarships you selected in Section B. Each extra item should be on an 8.5 x 11-inch paper in portrait mode.

More detailed information about support items that you need to provide to BECA. BECA will distribute your support items to the organizations you designate to receive your BECA SMC Common Scholarship Application.

FINANCIAL INFORMATION. The finances section is very important. A copy of your SAR, (Student Aid Report) as received from the U.S. Department of Education's FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) must be included with your application. You receive the SAR after submitting the FAFSA. You only need to include the first page of the SAR. The first page shows your EFC, or Expected Family Contribution, a six-digit number. Do not send the pages with your family's income and expenses. The last four digits of your Social Security number shown on the SAR must match those you enter on your electronic application. Note that there is a space on the JotForm application for entering extenuating circumstances, if needed. Use this if the FAFSA does not reflect your current year's financial situation.

It takes time to complete the FAFSA and for the SAR to be returned to you. BECA strongly recommends that you have your FAFSA complete by **January 25** to meet the February 18, 2021 deadline for the Application and List of Selected Scholarships.

SAT and/or ACT. Attach a copy of your SAT or ACT test score report. If your highest SAT total score is from different test dates, submit copies of each report and explain as needed. This report may be printed from the internet. If you do not need either of these

tests for the schools you are applying to, explain this in the space provided on your application. **Note that test scores are optional this year because of the pandemic.**

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION. Ask two people (one academic and one community strongly preferred, or two academic) who know you well, but are not related to you, to provide you with a letter of recommendation. Letters must be written within the last six months, on official letterhead (if from a school, business, or other organization) and include the author's name, organization (if applicable), address, and a phone number where he or she can be reached.

Teachers, counselors, ministers, coaches, and employers are all good choices as they can comment on your overall character, achievement, and promise. Letter writers should include their relationship to you, describe in what capacity they have known you, and tell how long they have known you. Letters must include your full name. Please give the individuals writing your letters enough time to complete them.

TRANSCRIPT. Include one high school transcript (or high school and college if you are primarily a college student.) You should place your request with your school early as the school needs time to process requests. You may print the transcript from your school's website. Scholarship providers may require an official copy from their student winners.

PERSONAL STATEMENTS: In section IX of the electronic application, respond to the prompts listed below.-The form will not permit you to enter more than 1024 characters (about 200 words) for each question. All applicants must answer these five questions. When you print the application, be sure all your answers printed in full.

1. Describe the career path you have chosen and why you have chosen this field. If undecided, what areas of study most interest you and why?
2. Describe one major personal accomplishment or one major challenge you've faced thus far. Explain how it benefited you or others.
3. How has supporting your community through work, volunteering, or other service benefited others?
4. Where do you see yourself in five years? How will you get there and why did you choose that goal?
5. Among numerous applicants, why should you be considered for a scholarship award?

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR SCHOLARSHIPS IN THE BLUE SECTION, PART B. Every scholarship in Part B, the blue section, requires an essay with a specific topic or some additional piece(s) of information. If an additional essay is required, a box will appear after you select the scholarship. Type your essay or answer the questions asked in that box. There are minimum and maximum word limits for most of the essays. JotForm will not let you submit your application if word limits are not met. Note that the Farm Bureau scholarships require you to upload a file. If a scholarship requires a photo, please upload that as a pdf.

Detailed List of Scholarships

Yellow Section-A.

Box A. Scholarships that require only the following 6 items:	
1) Signed Common APPLICATION AND SELECTED SCHOLARSHIPS. 2) SAR, your Student Aid Report from FAFSA--only the page that shows your EFC (Expected Family Contribution). 3) (OPTIONAL THIS YEAR) SAT and/or ACT score report. 4) Two letters of recommendation. 5) High school transcript printed on only one side of paper. 6) A copy of your current school year report card, showing your grades at the end of semester one.	
Below, check off each scholarship where you meet all eligibility requirements and you wish to apply and then mark off the same scholarships with a check mark on your web-based, <i>JotForm Electronic Application with Selection of Scholarships</i> . These Section A. scholarships need no additional information beyond what is listed above. Please read the specific information on eligibility carefully. (Note one exception: A21 and A22 each require a photograph)	
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A1	AFCEA--A STEM Scholarship provided by the AFCEA Southern Maryland Chapter with a focus on information technologies, cybersecurity, telecommunications, network securities and electronics. (\$1000, not renewable, one award). Eligible student must be a resident of St. Mary's County and plans to attend an accredited program at a college or university in a STEM field. Students attending a service academy are not eligible.
A2	AVIAN Cybersecurity Scholarship (\$500, not renewable, one award) Eligible applicants must be a St. Mary's or Calvert County resident and a 2021 graduating senior who plans to attend an accredited college or university and major or specialize in cyber security. Students attending a Service Academy are not eligible.
A3	AVIAN Systems Engineering Scholarship , (\$500, not renewable, one award) Eligible applicants must be a St. Mary's or Calvert County resident and a 2021 graduating senior who plans to attend an accredited college or university and major or specialize in systems engineering. Students attending a Service Academy are not eligible.
A4	Barbara Horn Scholarship (\$500, not renewable, one award). This scholarship is available to a 2021 graduate from a public or private high school or certified home school in St. Mary's County pursuing a degree in the field of finance or accounting. This scholarship is in recognition of the distinguished career of Barbara Horn at Cedar Point Federal Credit Union, and is sponsored by Dugan, McKissick and Longmore, LLC.

A5	BECA Scholarship (\$1,000, not renewable, multiple awards dependent upon funding). Eligible applicants include any 2021 St. Mary's County high school graduate with a minimum 2.5 Cumulative GPA, who will enroll in an accredited college, university, community college, or technical or trade school in the 2021-2022 academic year. Children of BECA Board members are not eligible to apply for this scholarship.
A6	Cedar Point Federal Credit Union – Frank E. Gorely Scholarship, Beacon Scholarship, and Keepers Club Scholarship (\$1,000, not renewable, three awards). Eligible applicant must be a member of Cedar Point Federal Credit Union, a Tri-county area resident, and 2021 graduating senior with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher.
A7	Cedar Point Financial Services, Inc. Scholarship (\$500, not renewable, one award). Eligible applicants include Tri-county area residents who are 2021 graduating seniors with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher.
A8	Easton Family Scholarship (\$500, one award). Eligible applicant must be an African American or Asian, 2021 graduating senior from Great Mills High School with a minimum 3.0 GPA who will attend a two or four-year college in the fall of 2021.
A9	Episcopal Diocese of Washington's St. Mary's County Scholarship (Multiple awards in varied amounts, may be renewable). Eligible applicants must be of African-American heritage and residents of St. Mary's County. Applications accepted from graduating high school seniors or college students enrolled in any accredited two- or four-year institution. First time applicants are required to have an interview with the Committee on a date TBA. Decisions are based on financial need and a good academic record. Please include a photograph of yourself printed on a 8.5 x 11 inch sheet of paper. Upload this as a pdf.
A10	Fitzgerald Family Scholarship (\$1000, funds permitting, not renewable, one award). Eligible applicants include any 2021 Chopticon High School graduate with a minimum 2.5 GPA, who will enroll in an accredited college, university, community college, or technical or trade school in the 2021-2022 academic year. The scholarship is sponsored by William J. and Michael J. Fitzgerald.
A11	Garner Visual and Performing Arts Scholarship (\$2,000, not renewable, one award). Eligible applicants are 2021 completers of the Academy of Visual and Performing Arts (AVPA) program hosted at Chopticon High School. The applicant plans to pursue this field in an accredited college or university in the 2021-2022 academic year. The scholarship is sponsored by Karen and John Garner.
A12	Hollywood Elementary School PTA/Retired Teacher Scholarship (\$500, not renewable, one award). Eligible applicants include any 2021 St. Mary's County high school graduate who is a former Hollywood Elementary School student, planning a career in teaching.

A13	<p>Lettie Marshall Dent Scholarship (\$500, not renewable, one award per public high school). Eligible applicants include any 2021 graduating senior from a St. Mary's County public high school who proposes to follow a curriculum of advanced education in the field of teaching. Applicants must have a cumulative high school GPA of 3.0 or higher and a winning "Personal Statement." The recipient must be enrolled in a teacher education program at a four-year college or university or in a transfer program at the College of Southern Maryland. By checking the box to apply for this scholarship, the applicant indicates awareness that the scholarship recipient must pursue a career in education in the public schools of St. Mary's County.</p>
A14	<p>Lexington Park Lions Club Foundation, Inc. (\$1,000, not renewable, up to two awards). Eligible applicant must be a 2021 graduating senior from Great Mills High School with a minimum 3.0 GPA. The winning student will be chosen based on his or her record of service to the community as well as a strong academic background and involvement in school activities. The recipient must enroll as a full-time student in a two or four-year college in the 2021-2022 school year.</p>
A15	<p>The Scholarship for the Education and Training of Children of Employees of the Metropolitan Commission (\$2500 total award, shared among up to five applicants, not less than \$500 per applicant, maximum awarded per applicant \$1,000). Eligible applicants include 2021 graduating high school seniors, previous high school graduates or current college students who are children, step children or grandchildren of Metropolitan Commission employees. You must have a minimum 2.5 cumulative high school or college GPA and plan to enroll full time in an accredited college OR enroll full time in an accredited vocational training program in the 2021-2022 school year. Because financial need may be considered, please be sure to include your EFC (Expected Family Contribution) from the FAFSA. Please be sure to list your Metropolitan Commission relative on the electronic application.</p>
A16	<p>The National Pan-Hellenic Council of Southern Maryland Scholarship Award (NPHC-SMD) (\$500, one award). NPHCSMD welcomes applications from well-rounded local area minority youth who are graduating from a high school in Charles, Calvert, or St. Mary's Counties. Applicants should possess excellent character, leadership skills, and show promise of academic achievement (a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or greater.) Award recipients are selected based on academics, extracurricular activities, community service, leadership positions and presentation of application.</p>
A17	<p>The Newtowne Players, Inc. present the William E. Scarafia Memorial Scholarship. (\$500, not renewable, one award) Eligible applicant must be a 2021 graduating senior from a St. Mary's County or Calvert County public or private high school or home school and be a resident of St. Mary's or Calvert County. Graduates must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher. The student must have an intention to major, minor, or be actively involved in the arts, including, but not limited to acting, arts education, dance, music, performance, theatre arts, design/tech, or writing. The applicant must have participated in the performing arts in some capacity.</p>

A18		<p>Northrop Grumman Corporation – Science, Technology & Engineering Scholarship (Up to \$2,000, budget permitting, not renewable, up to five awards). Eligible applicants must be residents of the Tri-County area. Applications will be accepted from 2021 graduating seniors and incoming college sophomores, juniors, and seniors who are attending any accredited college in an engineering curriculum (excluding trade schools), e.g., Electrical, Mechanical, Software, and Systems Engineer. The student must have a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher as a minimum requirement. Applications will be reviewed by a panel of Northrop Grumman Corporation staff.</p>
A19		<p>Raley, Watts & O’Neill – Chris King, Financial Advisor (\$500, not renewable). Eligible applicant must be a 2021 graduating senior from Chopticon High School and a Completer in the Academy of Finance program, who will enroll in an accredited community college, college, or university to pursue a career in the financial industry, accounting, business management or entrepreneurial endeavors beginning not later than fall of the next academic year. The applicant should be able to demonstrate a high standard of ethic, integrity, and strong leadership skills by way of rapport among their peers and or the community.</p>
A20		<p>St. Mary’s County Garden Club Scholarship Award (\$1,000, not renewable, one award) Eligible applicant must be 2021 graduating senior from a St. Mary's County High School who plans to be a full-time student at an accredited college or university. This scholarship is for students who major in one of the following fields: Agriculture Education, Agronomy, Biology, Botany, City Planning, Environmental Concerns, Environmental Conservation, Floriculture, Forestry, Habitat or Forest / Systems Ecology, Horticulture, Landscape Design, Land Management, Plant Pathology/Science, Wildlife Science and/or other related or allied subjects. The awarded student is invited to attend a garden club meeting or Scholarship Garden Party to meet club members and relate educational plans.</p>
A21		<p>St. Mary’s County Public Schools Retirees Association (\$1,000 renewable for three more years, one or more scholarships may be awarded). Eligible applicants include any 2021 graduating senior from a St. Mary's County public high school who proposes to follow a curriculum of advanced education in the field of teaching. Applicants must have a cumulative high school G.P.A. of 3.0 or higher as a minimum requirement. The recipient must be enrolled in a teacher education program at a four-year college or university, or in a transfer program at the College of Southern Maryland. By checking the box to apply for this scholarship, the applicant indicates awareness that the scholarship recipient must apply to teach in the St. Mary's County Public School system for a period of two years, immediately following college graduation. The chosen recipient will be required to sign a formal Memorandum of Understanding to receive the scholarship. If the recipient does not return to teach, the scholarship must be repaid.</p>
A22		<p>Southern Maryland Youth Ministries. (\$1500, not renewable, one award). Eligible applicants include any 2021 St. Mary's County high school graduate with a minimum 2.5 Cumulative GPA, who will enroll in an accredited college, university, community college, or technical or trade school in the 2021-2022 academic year. Award recipients are selected based on academics, extracurricular activities, community service, leadership positions and presentation of application.</p>

A23		<p>The Tau Lambda Lambda Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. and the John Lancaster & W. Cecil Short Charity Foundation Award (\$1,000, not renewable, up to thirteen awards). Eligible applicants must be of African-American heritage and must be a 2021 graduating senior from a Tri-County school. Qualified applicants must be seeking post-secondary education focused on the attainment of an Associate's or Bachelor's Degree. Award recipients are selected based on academics, extracurricular activities, community service, leadership positions and presentation of application.</p> <p>Please include a photograph of yourself attached to a 8.5 x 11 inch sheet of paper in portrait orientation. Upload as a pdf.</p>
A24		<p>Tarleton Family Agriculture Scholarship Award (\$2,000, not renewable, one award) Eligible applicant must be 2021 graduating senior from a St. Mary County High School who plans to be a full-time student at an accredited college or university. This scholarship is for students who major in one of the following fields: Agriculture, Agriculture Education, Agronomy, Botany, Horticulture, or Land Management.</p>
A25		<p>Deleted</p>
A26		<p>The Woman's Club of St. Mary's County, Inc. (\$2,000, not renewable, at least two awards). Eligible applicants include any male or female 2021 St. Mary's County High School graduate with a minimum cumulative 3.5 GPA, with an EFC from the FAFSA less than \$15,000, who will enroll in an accredited college, university, community college or technical or trade school in the 2021-2022 academic year. Scholarships will be awarded to students based on financial need, academic performance, extra-curricular activities, community service and character.</p>
A27		<p>William L. Smith Jr. Memorial Scholarship (\$500, not renewable, one award). Eligible applicant must be 2021 graduating senior from Great Mills High School and have been a Varsity Athlete with a cumulative GPA of 2.0 or higher. Must be accepted into a 2 or 4-year college.</p>
A28		<p>Women in Defense (WID) – Chesapeake Bay Chapter Scholarship (Up to \$1,000, one or more awards). Applicant must be a female, a 2021 graduate of a Tri-County high school or home school with at least a 3.0 GPA, enrolled to attend an accredited college or university, a U.S. citizen, and demonstrate need for this scholarship. The applicant must show interest in a career that supports the national security/defense industries to include, but is not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) fields - Education in DoD schools - Cyber security - Healthcare for veterans - Business/Finance/Accounting

A29	Unified Committee for Afro American Contributions (UCAC) Scholarship: (\$1,000, not renewable, one award) Eligibility: 1) African-American, 2) St. Mary's County resident, 3) St. Mary's County high school 2021 graduate with a minimum 2.5 GPA, 4) acceptance to a Historical Black College or University or technical or trade school.
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Blue Section-B. Scholarships with additional requirements

	<p>These scholarships require you to include all 6 items listed in Box A, above, plus additional requirements that are listed below each Section B Scholarship.</p>
	<p>Check off each scholarship where you meet all the eligibility requirements and wish to apply. Be sure to submit all of the additional information required for each scholarship in this section. Mark off the same scholarships with a check mark on your web-based, electronic <i>JotForm Electronic Application with Selection of Scholarships</i>. Keep this paper form for your records.</p>
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B31	<p>Alpha Beta Chapter, Delta Kappa Gamma Frances Lancaster Grant for Teacher Education (\$500, one-time grant, one award). Eligible applicant must be a 2021 graduate of a St. Mary's or Calvert County public or private high school and have maintained at least a 3.00 GPA. The applicant must plan to pursue a college degree in a field of education.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>Enter the following into the appropriate box that appears after you select this scholarship on the JotForm electronic application:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Your name and "Alpha Beta Chapter" labeled at the top, and 2) A prepared 500-word essay/personal statement which describes why you want to work with children, the type of work you want to do, and the characteristics you will bring to this profession.

B32		<p>American Society of Military Comptrollers (ASMC), Southern Maryland Chapter, Scholarship (up to \$1000, not renewable, one to three awards). Applicant must be a graduating high school senior from any Tri-County high school. Applicant must be entering a field of study directly related to business or financial management, business administration, economics, public administration, accounting, or related area of study. Applicants who do not declare a major within these fields will not be considered. Applicant must be in good standing within their school environment.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide a letter of acceptance/intent from a prospective college. Upload this file with your supporting documents. • Type the next two items into the appropriate boxes on your electronic JotForm application. • Provide a statement that describes your extracurricular activities, leadership abilities and achievements. • Provide an essay of 300 words or less addressing your Career/Academic Goals and what you expect to accomplish within your chosen field of study relating to Financial Management. Please provide this essay typed in no less of 12 pt. font. Please put your name at the top of the page, as well as the scholarship title: American Society of Military Comptrollers (ASMC), Southern Maryland Chapter Scholarship
B33		<p>Association of Naval Aviation (ANA) Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Scholarship (\$1000, not renewable, one award). Eligible applicants must be a St. Mary's or Calvert County resident and a 2021 graduating senior who plans to attend an accredited college or university and major in science, technology, engineering or mathematics. Students attending a service academy or receiving a ROTC scholarship are not eligible.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>Enter the following into the appropriate box that appears after you select this scholarship on the JotForm electronic application:</p> <p>ESSAY: 250 words or less on "How my planned STEM major and career goals could support Navy/Marine Corps Aviation and the Department of Defense.</p>
B34		<p>Charlotte Hall Rotary Scholarship (\$1,000, not renewable, two or more awards). Eligible applicant must be a 2021 graduating senior from Chopticon High School.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>Enter the following into the appropriate box that appears after you select this scholarship on the JotForm electronic application:</p> <p>"SERVICE ABOVE SELF" essay: 250 words or less. Please describe how your pursuit of personal growth, volunteer activities, a college education and career goals reflect Rotary International's core objective of providing service to the community.</p>

	<p>The following four scholarships (B35 to B38) are from the Tri-County (MD) Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. All applicants must meet the following requirement, as well as specific requirements listed in the scholarship description.</p> <p>Eligible applicant must be a 2021 graduating senior who resides in or attends a public high school in the TCMDAC service area, which includes all of Calvert and St. Mary's Counties and Charles County (east of Route 301). The public high schools in this service area include La Plata, Thomas Stone, St. Charles, Career & Technology Academy, Calvert, Huntingtown, Northern, Patuxent, Chopticon, Great Mills, Leonardtown and the James A. Forrest Career & Technology Center.</p>
B35	<p>Tri-County (MD) Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Elvear B. Johnson Ph.D. Scholarship (\$1,000, not renewable). The Tri-County (MD) Alumnae Chapter (TCMDAC) is offering the Elvear B. Johnson (Ph.D.) Scholarship in memory of Dr. Johnson, one of the original members of TCMDAC's chartering team, who passed away prior to completion of the chartering process. You must have a grade point average of 3.0 or above, demonstrate community or extracurricular activity involvement, plan to attend an accredited four-year university in fall, 2021, and plan to pursue a major in one of the following areas: Education, Liberal Arts, Science, Technology, Engineering or Math.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, plus...</p> <p>One of your letters of recommendation must document your community service involvement. You must include an additional, one-page essay on why you chose education, liberal arts, science, technology, engineering or math as a career choice or a one-page essay describing a community service project. (Maximum of one typewritten page, 250 words or less, 12-pt font. Type this into the box on your electronic JotForm application.). Upload a pdf file of a wallet size original photograph (no proofs or personality shots). Please include your name written below the photograph before you scan it.</p>
B36	<p>Tri-County (MD) Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Tri-County Maryland Scholarship (\$1,000, not renewable). The Tri-County (MD) Alumnae Chapter (TCMDAC) is offering the Tri-County Maryland Scholarship. You must have a grade point average of 2.75 or above, demonstrate community or extracurricular activity involvement, plan to attend an accredited four-year university in fall, 2021.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, plus...</p> <p>One of your letters of recommendation must document your community service involvement. You must include an additional, one-page essay on why you chose education, liberal arts, science, technology, engineering or math as a career choice or a one-page essay describing a community service project. (Maximum of one typewritten page, 12-pt font. Type this into the box that appears on your electronic JotForm application after you select this scholarship.). Upload a pdf file of a wallet size original photograph (no proofs or personality shots). Please include your name written below the photograph before you scan it.</p>

B37		<p>Tri-County (MD) Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Career/Vocational/Technical Scholarship (\$750, not renewable). The Tri-County (MD) Alumnae Chapter (TCMDAC) is offering the Career/Vocational/Technical Scholarship. You must have a grade point average of 2.75 or above, demonstrate community or extracurricular activity involvement, plan to attend a Career/Vocational/Technical program as a full-time student in fall, 2021.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, plus...</p> <p>One of your letters of recommendation must document your community service involvement. You must include an additional typed, one-page essay describing a community service project. (Maximum of one typewritten page, 250 words, 12-pt font). Include a wallet size original photograph (no proofs or personality shots). Please attach the photo to an 8.5 x 11 inch sheet of paper and write your name on the paper. Scan this and upload as a pdf.</p>
B38		<p>Tri-County (MD) Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Zandra Isaac Book Scholarship (\$500, not renewable). Eligible applicant must be a 2021 graduating senior who resides in or attends a high school in the TCMDAC service area as described above. You must have a grade point average of 2.75 or above, demonstrate community or extracurricular activity involvement, plan to attend a two-year or four-year university or college OR a Career/Vocational/Technical program as a full-time student in fall, 2021.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, plus...</p> <p>One of your letters of recommendation must document your community service involvement. You must include an additional typed, one-page essay describing a community service project. (Maximum of one typewritten page, 250 words, 12-pt font). Include a wallet size original photograph (no proofs or personality shots). Please attach the photo to an 8.5 x 11-inch sheet of paper and write your name on the paper. Scan this and upload as a pdf.</p>
B39		<p>Leonardtwn Lions Club, Raymond Stone Memorial Awards (\$1,000, not renewable, one award). Eligible applicant must be 2021 graduating senior from a St. Mary's county high school and the Dr. James A. Forrest Career and Technology Center with a minimum 2.5 GPA and be completing a trades program at the Center. The funds may be used for the purchase of tools or equipment for entry into a trades career, or for post-secondary education costs to a trade school.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>Enter the following into the appropriate boxes that appear after you select this scholarship on the JotForm electronic application:</p> <p>Answer the following question: Why do you need financial help to pursue your vocation/education?</p>

B40		<p>Leonardtown Rotary Scholarship (\$1,000, renewable, one award) Eligible applicants include any St. Mary’s County resident who is a 2021 graduating senior of a public or private St. Mary’s County school with a GPA of 3.0 or higher.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>Enter the following into the appropriate box that appears after you select this scholarship on the JotForm electronic application:</p> <p>“SERVICE ABOVE SELF” essay: 250 words or less. Please describe how your pursuit of personal growth, volunteer activities, a college education and career goals reflect Rotary International's core objective of providing service to the community. If you apply for other Rotary scholarships, you may use the same essay for all.</p>
B41		<p>Marine Corps Aviation Association (MCAA) John Glenn Squadron Scholarship (Up to \$5,000, not renewable, multiple awards). Eligible applicants include any 2021 graduate of any Tri-County high school or home school and the dependents (spouses and children) of MCAA John Glenn Squadron members who may reside outside the Tri-County area. Applicants must be pursuing a degree in Science, Technology, Engineering, or Mathematics (STEM) and have a career goal that supports Marine Corps/Navy aviation and the Department of Defense.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>Enter the following into the appropriate box that appears after you select this scholarship on the JotForm electronic application:</p> <p>ESSAY: 500 words or less on “How my educational and career goals could support the Marine Corps/Navy Aviation and the Department of Defense.”</p>

B42		<p>MedStar St. Mary's Hospital Healthcare Scholarship Program (up to \$3,000 per semester, the total monetary value of the scholarship is up to \$24,000, multiple awards). Eligible applicants are students who intend to pursue a career in Allied Health, Nursing, or other healthcare related fields (see list on MedStar website). Candidates must have at least a 3.0 high school GPA. The scholarship is available to residents of all three Southern Maryland counties. For more information about the scholarship program visit www.medstarstmarys.org or call 301-475-6018. You may pick up an application at the hospital's Human Resources Department or apply using this document, the St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>Enter the following into the appropriate boxes that appear after you select this scholarship on the JotForm electronic application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A complete job history. A resume is acceptable. At the top of the job history or resume, write the following: "for the St. Mary's Hospital Foundation Scholarship." • A well-written and typed one-page minimum to a two-page maximum (150 to 500 word, 12-pt. font) essay describing why he or she should be chosen for the scholarship. Essay must include: The candidate's career goals and why the candidate thinks that he or she would make a good nurse, therapist, etc.
B43		<p>NAACP Claudia Pickeral Scholarship (\$500, not renewable, three awards). Eligible applicants must be minority residents of St. Mary's County. Applicants must be planning to enroll full time in college in the fall of 2021, or currently attending an accredited college, university, trade or technical school. Applicants who have been awarded full scholarships from other sources are not eligible. Non-awarded applicants are eligible to reapply. Upon receipt of the scholarship, the applicant must be a member of the NAACP.</p> <p>We are giving three scholarships this year.</p>
B44		<p>B43. \$500.00 scholarship to a student majoring in Teacher Education.</p> <p>B44. \$500.00 scholarship to a student planning any major in college.</p> <p>B45. \$500.00 scholarship to a student pursuing the Construction/Skill Trades as an apprentice. He or she must show that they have registered for the Pre-Apprenticeship continuing education program at the College of Southern Maryland Center for Trades and Energy and that additional funds are needed to continue the course work toward completion. This Pre-Apprenticeship certificate is designed to provide students with the foundation to build an Apprentice Career no</p>

B45		<p>matter what specific trade they choose. Local/regional employers have agreed to give students completing this program a hiring preference. Contact www.stmarysnaacp.org for membership information.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>Enter the following into the appropriate box that appears after you select this scholarship on the JotForm electronic application:</p> <p>ESSAY: YOUR PLANS FOR THE FUTURE... Include details of why you have chosen this career; who, if anyone has inspired you to follow this career; and how you will work in this career to make a difference in the world. If you do not have a career in mind, then DESCRIBE the role you see yourself in the future; who if anyone has inspired you to become the person you want to be; and how you will make a difference in the world. 400 to 500 words typed.</p>
B46		<p>Nam Knight Darrell "Stone Cold" Canter Scholarship (\$2500, one award). Eligible applicant must be a 2021 graduating senior from a Tri-county public or private high school who will enroll in a 2 or 4-year college in the 2021-2022 academic year, with a minimum GPA of 2.5. Applicant must have a parent or sibling who has served in the military or in public safety, or a parent or a sibling who is currently serving in public safety or on active duty in the military. Preference will be given to a student who meets all of these criteria, and who also intends to pursue a career that will enhance the traditions and values of the United States through service to others. This scholarship is provided by the Nam Knights of America MC, Skipjack Chapter, a motorcycle club with a mission to honor and support our military and law enforcement agencies.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>Enter the following into the appropriate box that appears after you select this scholarship on the JotForm electronic application:</p> <p>"The Nam Knights of America MC, Skipjack Chapter," and your name at the top, and one paragraph providing the name of your parent or sibling who served or is serving and the branch of military or name of public service agency for which your relative served or is serving. This paragraph should provide a brief history of this person's service to his or her country.</p>

B47		<p>St. Mary's County Bar Association Scholarship. (\$1,000, not renewable, two awards). This scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors who reside in St. Mary's County, attend a public or private high school in St. Mary's County, and will be attending a four-year college or university, a community college, or a vocational or technical school. Scholarship applicants are evaluated on academic achievement, school and community activities, social awareness, and appreciation of the law.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>Enter the following into the appropriate box that appears after you select this scholarship on the JotForm electronic application:</p> <p>An essay of 250 to 500 words on one of the following topics:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Which of the five First Amendment freedoms (freedom of religion, speech, press, petition, and assembly) do you believe to be the most important? Please explain why. • Draft your own law and explain why you believe it should be a law.
		<p>St. Mary's County Farm Bureau Scholarship (B48, B49, and B50)</p> <p>General Eligibility Requirements: Eligible applicant must be a member of the St. Mary's County Farm Bureau or a dependent of a St. Mary's County Farm Bureau member. (Membership will be verified). Applicant must either be a St. Mary's County resident who is a graduate of a St. Mary's County public or private high school, a currently enrolled college or trade school student, or a previous scholarship recipient. Recipient must enroll as a student in a two or four-year college or trade school in the 2021-2022 school year.</p>
B48	ok	<p>B48. Agriculture College Scholarship Program: (up to \$1,000, depending on available funding, renewable for one additional year) may be awarded to recipients majoring in agriculture, horticulture, environmental (water, air or soil) science, biological science, natural resources, or a related field of study. Scholarships up to \$1,000 per recipient, renewable for 3 additional years, may be awarded to recipients majoring in an agricultural curriculum, specifically: agronomy, agricultural economics, agricultural education, veterinary science, or a similar field of study that is closely related to agriculture.</p> <p>B48. Non-Agriculture College Scholarship Program: (up to \$500, depending on available funding, may be renewable for up to one additional year) may be awarded to applicants who meet the general eligibility requirements, but who are not majoring in an agriculturally related field of study.</p> <p>B49. Trade School Scholarship Program: (up to \$500, depending on available funding, may be renewable for up to one additional year) may be awarded to applicants who meet the general eligibility requirements and are enrolled in a technical, trade, or vocational school.</p>
B49		

B50		<p>The Board of Directors of the St. Mary’s County Farm Bureau will make the award selection. The committee reserves the right to interview applicants if they feel it is necessary to determine a winner. Financial information (the FAFSA) is not required for this scholarship. The winner will be notified by mail.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>ESSAY: Two typed pages, double-spaced, 12-point font, on the topic: “The increasing frequency and intensity of natural disasters creates additional risk for farmers and ranchers. What tools and production practices can be engaged to reduce climate and weather risks?” Instead of your name, please put “Farm Bureau Scholarship” and the last four digits of your social security number at the top of each page of the essay. (NO identifying information! For example, no college names, no 4-H club names, no town or county names, etc.) Any identifying information appearing in the essay will disqualify the application. Renewal requests must be filed through BECA’s Common Scholarship Application with a new essay. This essay must be saved as a pdf and uploaded.</p>
B51	ok	<p>Stephen’s Fund Memorial Scholarship Program – Charlotte Hall Rotary Foundation (\$1,000, may be renewable, one or more awards). Applicant must be a graduating senior from a St. Mary’s County public or private high school. The scholarship has been established to recognize a graduating senior and will help further his or her educational opportunities. The person receiving this scholarship will have demonstrated a compassionate desire to help students with special needs through service at school (e.g. Best Buddies), church and community (Special Olympics) or a graduating senior pursuing a career in Special Education. The recipient may also be a special education student who will be furthering his or her own education. This scholarship is awarded by The Charlotte Hall Rotary Foundation Inc.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>Enter the following into the appropriate box that appears after you select this scholarship on the JotForm electronic application:</p> <p>Please include an essay with the title: “Lending a hand in my community, working with and learning about students and friends with developmental disabilities”</p>

B52	ok	<p>Support Education Foundation’s Dorothy Marvil Scholarship sponsored by Educational Systems Federal Credit Union (\$3,000, non-renewable, one-time disbursement).</p> <p>To apply, student must be younger than 21 years of age, a member of Educational Systems Federal Credit Union and a 2021 St. Mary’s County graduating high school senior with a 2.75 or better cumulative grade point average. Educational Systems FCU employees, volunteers and their family members are not eligible to apply.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Answer the following essay question: - Essay Topic: Write a vision statement that describes “you” in five years. What challenges have you or might you face financially and educationally to meet the goals and objectives that you have established for yourself? Be specific. How will you address those challenges? ▪ Essay must be typed, Times New Roman, 12 pt., double spaced, with one-inch margins. Essay must be a minimum of 250-500 words. Submit your essay in a printed document with only your last name at the top of the page where you begin the essay. ▪ Include a cover page for your essay with the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Student First and Last Name - Student Address - Daytime and Evening Phone Numbers - Credit Union Membership: Yes _____ No _____ (membership is required prior to application submission). Contact: tgrant@esfcu.org for membership information. - Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name(s) (Applies to applicants under the age of 18) - Current School Name and Address - Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) -Check the box to certify that you do not have any relatives employed by Educational Systems FCU.
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B53	ok	<p>Support Education Foundation’s Rosemary Brinkley Business and Finance Scholarship sponsored by Educational Systems Federal Credit Union (\$3,000, non-renewable, one-time disbursement). To apply, student must be younger than 21 years of age, a member of Educational Systems Federal Credit Union, a 2021 St. Mary’s County graduating high school senior with a 2.75 or better cumulative grade point average and enrolled in a business management and finance curriculum. Educational Systems FCU employees, volunteers and their family members are not eligible to apply.</p> <p>--St. Mary’s County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Answer the following essay questions: - Essay topic: What or who was the greatest influencer in your decision to choose business and/or finance as a course of study? How have your life experiences, including volunteer work, part-time employment, internship(s), etc., helped you define your life goals and objectives? Be specific. ▪ Essay must be typed, Times New Roman, 12 pt., double spaced, with one-inch margins. Essay must be a minimum of 250-500 words. Submit your essay in a printed document with only your last name at the top of the page where you begin the essay. ▪ Include a cover page for your essay with the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Student First and Last Name - Student Address - Daytime and Evening Phone Numbers - Credit Union Membership: Yes _____ No _____ (membership is required prior to application submission). Contact: tgrant@esfcu.org for membership information. - Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Name(s) (Applies to applicants under the age of 18) - Current School Name and Address - Cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) --Check the box to certify that you do not have any relatives employed by Educational Systems FCU.
		<p>The next 6 scholarships are administered by the Lexington Park Rotary. Each requires an essay on “Service Above Self.” Note that you only need to submit one “Service Above Self” essay even if you apply for more than one of the following scholarships or the Leonardtown or Charlotte Hall Rotary Club scholarships.</p> <p>Enter the following into the appropriate box that appears after you select this scholarship on the JotForm electronic application:</p> <p>“SERVICE ABOVE SELF” essay: 250 words or less. Please describe how your pursuit of personal growth, volunteer activities, a college education and career goals reflect Rotary International’s core objective of providing service to the community. You may use this same essay if applying for other Rotary Scholarships.</p>

B54	ok	<p>The Rotary Club of Lexington Park Mike Marley Service Award Scholarship (\$1,000, not renewable, one award.) Eligible applicants include any St. Mary's County resident who is a graduating senior of a public or private St. Mary's County school with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher. You must have demonstrated service to the community. It is funded by the Lexington Park Chapter of Rotary.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>"SERVICE ABOVE SELF" See description above.</p>
B55	ok	<p>The Rotary Club of Lexington Park Mel and Tricia Powell Public Service Award Scholarship (\$1,000, not renewable, one award.) Eligible applicants include any St. Mary's County resident who is a graduating senior of a public or private St. Mary's County high school with a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or higher. It is available to students who plan to major in public administration, political science or international relations, who plan to have a career in local, state, or national government or a career in international relations. The scholarship is funded by the Powell family.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>"SERVICE ABOVE SELF" See description above.</p>
B56	ok	<p>The Rotary Club of Lexington Park Robert and Rita I. Merritts Academic Scholarship (\$1,000, not renewable, one award.) This scholarship honors the memory of ADCS Robert and Rita I. Merritts. It is available to qualified students with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher, who enroll in an academic course at a Maryland College or University. It is funded by the Merritts Family.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus</p> <p>"SERVICE ABOVE SELF" See description above.</p>
B57	ok	<p>The Rotary Club of Lexington Park Robert and Rita I. Merritts Vocational Scholarship (\$1,000, not renewable, one award). This scholarship honors the memory of ADCS Robert and Rita I. Merritts. It is available to qualified students with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher, who enroll in a course of vocational training at a qualified vocational-technical school in Maryland. It is funded by the Merritts family.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>"SERVICE ABOVE SELF" See description above.</p>

B58	ok	<p>Greg H. Clarke Aviation/Military (\$1,000, not renewable, one award). This scholarship honors the memory of Greg H. Clarke. It is available to 2021 graduating seniors from Great Mills High School with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher who have a demonstrated financial need. It is available to students who intend to pursue a career in aviation or the military, or students who intend to pursue a degree in management, business, economics, engineering, and the like. It is funded by the Clarke and Lennox family and managed by the Lexington Park Rotary.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>"SERVICE ABOVE SELF" See description above.</p>
B59	ok	<p>The Rotary Club of Lexington Park Scholarships-Multiple Scholarships (\$1,000, not renewable, 7 awards.) Eligible applicants include any St. Mary's County resident who is a graduating senior of a public or private St. Mary's County school with a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher. The scholarships are funded by the Lexington Park Chapter of Rotary.</p> <p>--St. Mary's County Common Scholarship Application and all required information listed in Box A, above, plus...</p> <p>"SERVICE ABOVE SELF" See description above.</p>