



FINANCIAL AID NEWSLETTER APRIL 2015



A monthly guide listing available scholarships/grants for Seniors planning to attend post-secondary institutions, (trade/technical/business schools, two and four-year colleges and apprenticeship programs).

Also posted on school website

Information regarding the Scholarships listed may be obtained in the Career Resource Center located in the Counseling Office.

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS SPECIFICALLY FOR GRADUATING SENIORS OF CONRAD WEISER HIGH SCHOOL

CONRAD WEISER COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP

Two \$1,000 scholarships will be awarded to Conrad Weiser seniors who plan to attend college in the fall. Applicants must have accumulated at least 100 hours of community service from May 1, 2014 through April 30, 2015. This is one time that service learning hours may be added to community service hours. One credit equals 90 hours and one-half credit equals 45 hours. Interns, such as TLA and Social Studies, who have accumulated credits with a non-profit organization, may also count their hours. Application deadline is May 4th.

CONRAD WEISER MUSIC ASSOCIATION

In order to be eligible for these scholarship opportunities, applicants must have at least one year participation in an instrumental component (Symphonic Concert Band, Jazz Band, etc.) in addition to one year participation in a vocal component (Mixed Chorus, etc.) during grades 9-12. Scholarship values range from a maximum of \$500 for future music majors or minors to \$250 for all other applicants. Application deadline is April 24, 2015.

CONRAD WEISER RENAISSANCE SCHOLARSHIP:

If you have been a Renaissance Card holder each year while in High School, you may apply for this scholarship. Please stop by the Library starting April 6th to pick up the application. Finished applications are due back in the Library by 3:00 pm on Wednesday April 22nd.

DONALD ZERBE SCHOLARSHIP – WOMELSDORF ROD AND GUN CLUB

A minimum of three \$1,000 scholarships are available to CW seniors who plan to further their education at an accredited college or university. Applicants do not have to live in Womelsdorf to be eligible. College acceptance letter and essay required. Application deadline is April 24th.

HEATH HASSLER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

In memory of a 2004 Conrad Weiser graduate, this scholarship opportunity is available to students who have overcome or are presently dealing with a medical challenge or hardship. Application deadline is April 15th.

ROBESONIA COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP

Conrad Weiser seniors who live in Robesonia and are currently participating in the Berks Career and Technology Center program or pursuing the Military are eligible for a \$500 scholarship through the Robesonia Community Association. If there are no qualified candidates, from the Career and Tech Center/Military consideration will then be given to any senior with a Robesonia mailing address seeking higher education, preferably in a trade-related field. **Deadline is April 15th.**

SCOUTS BASEBALL ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP IN MEMORY OF TERRY W. REBER

The CW Baseball Alumni Association is pleased to award this scholarship to a senior player on the baseball team who represents the CW community positively by exhibiting good character and leadership abilities and has been accepted at a college or university for the Fall 2015 semester. Applications can be obtained from Coach Tranquillo. Deadline to submit applications is April 30th

TERRY REBER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Conrad Weiser seniors are eligible to receive a scholarship in memory of former CW Superintendent, Mr. Terry W. Reber. This scholarship will be awarded to a senior who will be attending college in the fall to major in Education. Applicants must have participated in CW athletics as an athlete or as a manager, and have a GPA of 3.0 or better. Essay required. Application deadline is April 30th.

LADIES AUXILIARY VFW POST 6558

Two \$250 scholarships are being offered to children/stepchildren of a military veteran who has served or is currently serving in the United States Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, or Coast Guard (Active Duty, Guard, Reserve). GPA and community involvement are taken into consideration. Deadline to apply is May 15th.

WOMAN'S CLUB OF WERNERSVILLE

The Woman's Club of Wernersville will be awarding a \$500 scholarship to a Conrad Weiser senior who will continue his/her education at a two or four-year college or university or technical school. The student must be in the top third of the senior class but not one of the top ten individuals. Essay required. Additional information and application available from the Career Resource Center. Deadline to apply is April 13th.

WERNERSVILLE FAIR COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

If you have demonstrated a strong commitment to the community through your volunteer efforts, you are eligible to apply for one of two \$500 awards. This opportunity is available to all graduating seniors whether your plans are to further your education at a 2 or 4-year college or technical school, enter the workforce or join a branch of the US Military. Application deadline is May 15.

GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS

7th ANNUAL ALLENTOWN FAIR QUEEN CONTEST

This \$1000 scholarship opportunity is available to young women ages 16 to 20 who reside in Lehigh, Northampton or Berks County. The purpose of this contest is to encourage the promotion of the fair, educate the public on the agricultural industry & foster a greater public understanding of the importance of each of these to our community. Essay is required. Deadline to apply is June 5th.

BIG SUN ATHLETICS SCHOLARSHIP

This \$500 scholarship is being offered to all senior student athletes regardless of which sport they are participating in. Details are available at athleticawards@bigsunathletics.com. Essay required. Deadline to apply is June 19, 2015.

READING PEDIATIRICS-LYNN REED MEMORIAL

This \$1,000 scholarship opportunity is available to a graduating senior who has been accepted to a post-graduate program and has been a patient at Reading Pediatrics for at least two years. Applicants are being asked to provide suggestions-in a 300-500 word essay- that may help to alter the drinking/drug culture that they may encounter on their college campus. Application deadline is May 29th.

JOHN G. BERNHEISER EDUCATIONAL AWARD

In tribute to John's memory, Riverfront Credit Union is selecting ten students to receive a grant of \$750 toward an undergraduate study program at a qualifying institution. To be eligible for this award you must have an active savings account, if not you may open one by May 31, 2015. A cumulative GPA of at least 3.0, a "B" or 80% is also required. Application deadline is June 8, 2015.

SCHOOL SPECIFIC SCHOLARSHIPS

BOSTON UNIVERSITY-LEONARD YODER SCHOLARSHIP

Boston University Trust is providing a four-year scholarship in memory of Mr. Yoder, a former Berks County resident. Applicants must be a resident of Berks County and intend to obtain an undergraduate degree from Boston University. The amount is expected to be approximately \$6,000 for 2015. Applications are available in the Counseling Office with a deadline of May 22, 2015.

FINANCIAL AID TIPS OF THE MONTH

CONRAD WEISER STUDENT LOAN

Conrad Weiser seniors who plan to continue education after graduation are eligible to apply for this student loan opportunity. Loan amounts vary each year ranging from \$1500 to \$2500. This loan is not based on financial need and is renewable for all four years of your undergraduate education. No interest is calculated while you are enrolled full-time and for an additional 1-year period thereafter. The CW Student Loan is funded by private donations. No tax money is used for this loan opportunity. Applications are available from the Career Resource Center and must be submitted to Mrs. Beth Shartle in Central Administration by June 15, 2015. **A letter detailing loan amounts and disbursement will be mailed to the applicants after July 1, 2015.**

SAT Test Date: June 6, 2015
ACT Test Date: June 13, 2015

Registration deadline: May 8, 2015
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Financial Aid information websites

\$ www.pheaa.org

\$ www.fafsa.gov

\$ www.educationplanner.org

**PLEASE BE CAREFUL TO SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATIONS FOR ALL SCHOLARSHIPS BY
THE APPROPRIATE DEADLINE DATES.**

REMEMBER...YOU MUST APPLY TO WIN!