Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarships: $1,500/yr., renewable for four years. Students must have a minimum Byrd GPA of 98.0 and a minimum combined score of 1875 on the SAT1 (combined critical reading + math + writing) at one sitting. An explanation can be read in detail at [www.highered.nysed.gov/kiap/scholarships/home.htm](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/kiap/scholarships/home.htm). Applications and worksheets for completing the Byrd GPA from the College Office, 7E2. 

Students should be aware that past winners in New York State had Byrd GPA’s higher than 99. Information at [http://www.highered.nysed.gov/kiap/scholarships](http://www.highered.nysed.gov/kiap/scholarships) Applications and worksheets (obtained from Mr. Ludwig in 7E2) must be returned to 7E2 before Feb. 10, 2010 to insure that paperwork is complete and correct before the school signs off.

Albert Shanker College Scholarship Fund (UFT): $5000 ($1250/yr). Must have a social security card and be eligible to apply for a Pell Grant. Details of the financial need requirements as well as application forms at [www.uft.org](http://www.uft.org). Deadline: January 31, 2010.

Milton Fisher Scholarship: $20,000 (up to $5000/yr). For exceptionally innovative and creative juniors and seniors. Student should have come up with a distinctive solution to a problem faced by school, community or family, or, have solved an artistic, scientific, or technical problem in new or unusual ways; or have developed an innovative way to save the environment or improve people’s health. Financial need will only be considered after making the award, not in selection of winners. Information at [www.rbffoundation.org](http://www.rbffoundation.org) Deadline: Postmarked by April 12, 2010.

Geisinger Scholarship, University of Michigan: $20,000/yr ($80,000 total). For the College of Engineering. Recipient must maintain a 3.0 GPA at U.Mich. For application [http://www.engin.umich.edu/students/scholarships/New_Students.html](http://www.engin.umich.edu/students/scholarships/New_Students.html) or write [coe.scholarships@umich.edu](mailto:coe.scholarships@umich.edu) This scholarship is only for non-Michigan resident students. Deadline: January 15, 2010, 5:00 pm.
Brooklyn & Long Island Funeral Directors Association: $1000. Must have an 80 GPA. Applications must be signed by a member of Brooklyn & Long Island Funeral Directors Association (family members not eligible) Short essay and two letters of recommendation required. Applications from Mr. Ludwig in 7E2. Deadline: Feb. 27, 2010.

Burger King Scholar Awards: Two thousand $1000 awards. Academics considered. Students also should be working part-time because of financial need (15 hours per week). Students should demonstrate participation in community activities and financial need. Applications from: www.haveityourwayfoundation.org/bksp_application.html Deadline: Feb. 1, 2010.

The American Physical Society: $2,000 award for the first year, $3000/yr for each following year. For Black, Hispanic, or Native American students who intend to be undergraduate physics majors. Applications available online. Go to www.aps.org [click “Minority Scholarships”] Deadline: February 5, 2010.

You still have time to apply for the following scholarships!

ESSAY CONTESTS

Bessie Coleman Scholarship Award: Two $5,000 awards. Provides assistance to African American students planning to attend an historically African American college or university. Neither income nor GPA are considered. Essay 700-1500 words comparing yourself to Bessie Coleman, the first African American to receive an international pilots’ license, and how you plan to make a name for yourself in your chosen profession. Contact: The Weekly, Attn: Coleman Scholarship, P.O.Box 151789, Dallas,TX 75315. Deadline January 1, 2010.

Anita Young-Boswell Scholarship Program: Five $1,000 awards. For African American students with an 80 GPA (2.75). Must write an essay of 300-500 words. Topic changes annually. A recent topic was: “E lecting a U.S. President: “Should the Electoral College Process Remain a Component of the Election Procedure?” Selection based on academics, financial need, community service, concern for the African American family, and a desire to complete a college degree. Send letter requesting an application plus a stamped, self-addressed envelope to National Hook-Up of Black Women, Inc., 1809 East 71st Street, Suite 205, Chicago, Illinois 60649.

JOURNALISM SCHOLARSHIPS

Ellen Masin Persina Scholarship for Diversity in Journalism: $5,000/yr. for four years.. For minority high school seniors wishing to pursue a career in journalism and have an 83 GPA (3.0). Must demonstrate an ongoing interest in journalism and submit a one-page essay on why you want to pursue a career in journalism. Deadline: March 1, 2010. Information at http://press.org/activities/aboutscholarship.cfm#persina
