

Web sites

Collegenet.com

www.collegenet.com

A handy resource site for researching colleges. Includes financial aid information and a scholarship search engine.

FAFSA: Free Application for Federal Student Aid

www.fafsa.ed.gov

Fill out your FAFSA online. TIP: It usually takes 90 minutes to complete the FAFSA application. FAFSA forms in English and Spanish are available at all library locations.

Federal School Code Search page

www.fafsa.ed.gov/fotw0506/fslookup.htm

Useful when filling out FAFSA forms.

FinAid

www.finaid.org

Free scholarship search and financial aid calculators available. Get advice on filling out the FAFSA, how to save for college, information on loans, grants, and other types of financial aid.

Peterson's Education Portal

www.petersons.com

Search for 2- and 4-year colleges by major, tuition, or location, get information about the new SATs, financial aid info, and more.

Student Aid on the Web

(available in English and Spanish)

www.studentaid.ed.gov

Common scholarship scams

from www.finaid.org/scholarships/common.phtml

It's probably a scam if:

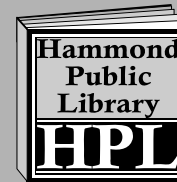
1. They ask for money up front.
2. There's an application fee involved.
3. You're offered a loan but are required to pay a fee before you receive the money.
4. You've "won" a scholarship, but must pay a fee before your prize can be released.
5. Matching services guarantee you'll win a scholarship or they'll refund your money.
6. You're told you need to buy a product (such as insurance) to qualify for a scholarship.

Learn to investigate suspicious offers at www.finaid.org/scholarships/investigating.phtml

Information about charitable groups and non-profits is available by contacting the Indiana Attorney General at (317) 232-6201 or by going to www.guidestar.org.

Tax benefits for education

IRS Publication 970 contains a list of scholarships and fellowships and which credits or deductions you can take on your tax return. Available on the web at www.irs.gov/pub/irs-pdf/p970.pdf.



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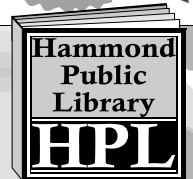
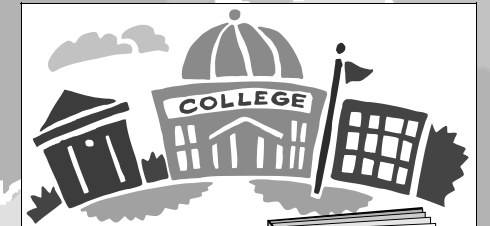
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1212 172nd Street
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Howard Branch
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<http://www.hammond.lib.in.us>

Pathfinder

a guide to
Scholarships
and
Financial Aid



Scholarships and financial aid

Hammond Public Library's Information Services desk has put together a path-finder of library and Internet resources to help you find money for school. For assistance, call the Information Desk at (219) 931-5100, ext. 333 or ext. 334, or e-mail infodesk@hammond.lib.in.us.

Books

SAT test prep manuals, college and career books, and scholarship guides can be found in the *Careers/Education/Resumes* section at Main Library.

Barron's how to prepare for the ACT assessment
CAREERS 378.1662 EHRENHA 2004 (Main)

The College Board college handbook, 2005
CAREERS 378.73 COLLEGE 2005 (Main, E.B. Hayward)

College money handbook 2004
CAREERS 378.3 COLLEGE 2004 (Main, E.B. Hayward, Howard)

Complete book of colleges
CAREERS 378.1542 COMPLET 2004 (Main, Howard)

Crash course for the new SAT: the last-minute guide to scoring high
CAREERS 378.1662 RUBENST (Main, E.B. Hayward)
Getting ready for college

378.198 BERENT 2003 (Main)

Financial aid 101
CAREERS 378.3 CHATFIE 2004 (Main, E.B. Hayward, Howard)

Gruber's complete preparation for the new SAT
CAREERS 378.1662 GRUBER 2005 (Main, E.B. Hayward)

High school senior's guide to merit and other no-need funding
CAREERS 378.3 SCHLACH 2002 (E.B. Hayward, Howard, Main Reference)

How to find out about financial aid and funding: a guide to print, electronic, and internet resources listing scholarships, fellowships, loans, grants, awards, internships
CAREERS 378.34 SCHLACH 2003 (Main)

Kaplan GRE exam 2003
CAREERS 378.1662 KAPLAN 2003 (Main)

The Latino student's guide to college success
CAREERS 378.19 LATINO 2002 (Main)

The Northwest Indiana directory of local scholarships
CAREERS 378.34025 WILLIAM 2002 (Main, E.B. Hayward, Howard)

The official study guide: for the new SAT
CAREERS 378.1662 OFFICIA 2004 (Main, E.B. Hayward, Howard)

SAT success, 2004
CAREERS 378.1662 KLEINMA 2004 (Main)

Scholarships for African-American students
CAREERS 371.223 SCHOLAR 2003 (Main, E.B. Hayward)

Scholarships for Asian-American students
CAREERS 378.34 SCHOLAR 2003 (Main)

Scholarships for Hispanic students
CAREERS 378.34 SCHOLAR 2003 (Main, E.B. Hayward)

Writing your college application essay
CAREERS 378.1057 MCGINTY 1991 (Main)

The you can guide to financing your education
CAREERS 378.3 HUNTER 2003 (Main, E.B. Hayward, Howard)

References

Barron's profiles of American colleges: descriptions of the colleges
R 378.73 BARRONS 2005 (Main)
R 378.73 BARRONS 2003 (E.B. Hayward)
R 378.73 BARRONS 2001 (Howard)

The college blue book
R 378 C686c 2005 (Main)
R 378 COLLEGE 2002 (E.B. Hayward)
R 378 C686c 2004 (Howard)
vol. 1: Narrative descriptions
vol. 2: Tabular data
vol. 3: Degrees offered by college & subject
vol. 4: Occupational data
vol. 5: Scholarships, fellowships, grants, & loans
vol. 6: Distance learning programs

Directory of financial aids for women
R 378.3 Sch36d 2003-2005 (Main)
R 378.3 Sch36d 2001-2003 (E.B. Hayward)

Financial aid for African-Americans, 2003-2005: a list of scholarships, fellowships, loans, grants, awards, and internships open primarily or exclusively to African-Americans
R 378.3 SCHLACH 2003-05 (Main)
R 378.3 SCHLACH 2001-03 (E.B. Hayward, Howard)

Financial aid for Asian Americans, 2001-2003
R 378.3 SCHLACH 2001-03 (Main)

Financial aid for Hispanic Americans, 2003-2005
R 378.3 SCHLACH 2003-05 (Main)
R 378.3 SCHLACH 2001-03 (E.B. Hayward, Howard)

Financial aid for Native Americans
R 378.3 SCHLACH 2003-05 (Main)
R 378.3 SCHLACH 2001-03 (E.B. Hayward, Howard)

How to find out about financial aid and funding: a guide to print, electronic, and internet resources listing scholarships, fellowships, loans, grants, awards, internships
R 378.3 SCHLACH 2003-05 (Main)

Scholarships, fellowships, and loans: a guide to education-related financial aid programs for students and professionals
R 378.3 G131s 2005 (Main)