

**Martin L. Nesbitt Discovery Academy
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Scholarships:

- Wells Fargo Company Scholarship
- Paddison Family Scholarship
If you are applying for the Paddison Family Scholarship, the Financial Aid Information (in Scholarship Application) and a copy of your FAFSA report including the EFC (Expected Family Contribution) are all REQUIRED.
- Banjo Matthews Motorsports Scholarship (Career in Motorsports)
- Buncombe County Schools Foundation TEACHER Scholarship (Education Majors)
- John W. Abbott Scholarship (Construction Management or equivalent degree)
- John W. Abbott Scholarship (Engineering/Applied Technology – AB Tech)
- The Buncombe County Chapter School Nutrition Association Margaret Troy Healthy Lifestyles Scholarship
Applicant must be pursuing a degree that would enhance the health and wellness of children. Please complete the Scholarship Application attached to The Buncombe County Chapter SNA Margaret Troy Healthy Lifestyles Scholarship.
- Kayla Dezaray Hensley “Gentle Heart” Memorial Scholarship
(Majors: Special Education, Speech Therapy, Deaf Education, Physical Therapy or Occupational Therapy)

If you are applying for any of the above scholarships, it is suggested, but not required, that you complete the Financial Aid Information in the Scholarship Application. To be considered for any scholarship a copy of your FAFSA report including the EFC (Expected Family Contribution) must be included.

Applicant must be a U.S. Citizen or Legal Permanent Resident to be eligible to receive scholarship(s) from the Buncombe County Schools Foundation

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**Chosen by Martin L. Nesbitt Discovery Academy
Scholarship Committee**

Scholarships:

- Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company Scholarship

GUIDELINES

1. All applications should be typed or written in black ink. Please do not use notebook paper (typing paper only). Application can be used for BCSF Sponsored Scholarships and Scholarships chosen by your High School Scholarship Committee, unless otherwise noted.
2. **Print on front only. Please do not print on back.**
3. Please **do not** staple. Paperclip the pages together.
4. Transcripts must be detached and reproducible. School profiles are not needed.
5. Only complete packets will be accepted.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Please edit/proofread for simple grammatical errors.

Materials

(Please submit information in this order)

- Student Scholarship Application
(This Application can be used for the BCSF Sponsored Scholarships and Scholarships chosen by your High School Scholarship Committee, unless otherwise noted) (Please attach additional sheets, if needed)
- Financial Aid Information (in Scholarship Application)
- Copy of FAFSA report including the EFC (Expected Family Contribution)
- Resume
- Transcript
- Copy of ACT and/or SAT Score Report
- Two Letters of Reference (Please read the section entitled **Selection Criteria** about each scholarship for additional information about reference letters. In most cases, only two recommendation letters are needed.)
- An essay of 500 words or less that describes your career goals, future plans, etc. If you are applying for a scholarship that specifies a career (i.e. education or nursing), explain why education or nursing is your career goal and discuss any event that has influenced your choice. Also, you may want to talk about a specific person who has been instrumental in your decision. Please print your essay on the front only. **Essay required for ALL scholarships. See scholarship description for essay topic. If essay not noted on scholarship description, use topic stated in this paragraph.**

Scholarship Award

Scholarship checks will be written and mailed to the college/university in late June/early July. **The Buncombe County Schools Foundation reserves the right to revoke the scholarship if the guidelines are not met or majority of costs are covered through other means.** The recipient will be required to sign a Scholarship Agreement concerning financial assistance and other scholarships. We may request a copy of your Financial Aid Package from the college/university you are attending.

IMPORTANT NOTE: It is suggested, but not required, that you complete the BCSF Scholarship Application Financial Aid Information (in Scholarship Application). To be considered for any scholarship a copy of your FAFSA report including the EFC (Expected Family Contribution) must be included. If you are applying for the Paddison Family Scholarship, the Financial Aid Information (in Scholarship Application) and a copy of your FAFSA report including the EFC (Expected Family Contribution) are ALL REQUIRED. **Please mark through all Social Security numbers.** Once we finish the selection process, all important documents will be shredded.

Student Name: _____

Financial Aid Information

To be considered for any scholarship a copy of your FAFSA report including the EFC (Expected Family Contribution) must be included. If you are applying for the Paddison Family Scholarship, the Financial Aid Information and a copy of your FAFSA report including the EFC (Expected Family Contribution) are all REQUIRED.

Family Information (To be completed by parent/guardian of the scholarship applicant)

Parent /Guardian Name: _____	
Home Address: _____	
Daytime Phone: _____	Email: _____
Occupation: _____	Employer: _____
Second Parent/Guardian Name: _____	
Home Address: _____	
Daytime Phone: _____	Email: _____
Occupation: _____	Employer: _____

Self Supporting Occupation: _____ Employer: _____
(Independent of parent or guardian)

**How much does your family expect to contribute to cover college costs?
(Expected Family Contribution - EFC): _____ (This if found on FAFSA Report)**

In what range was your parent(s)/guardian's income for the previous calendar year:

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Below \$15,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$60,000 - \$80,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$15,000 - \$25,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$80,000 - \$100,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$25,000 - \$40,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000 - \$120,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$40,000 - \$60,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$120,000 or Above |

Number of dependents claimed on current taxes (including applicant): _____

Please list information for additional sibling (s) supported by parents/guardian who also supports the scholarship applicant:

Name	Age	School Attending

Please select one of the following if applicable:

_____ Single Parent	_____ Married – filing taxes jointly
_____ Head of Household	_____ Qualifying widow(er) w/dependent child
_____ Married – filing taxes separately	

By signing below, you are agreeing that all information provided above is accurate and correct.

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

Student Name: _____

NOTE: APPLICANT MAY CHOOSE TO SUBMIT AN ATTACHED SHEET OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IN LIEU OF USING THIS FORM.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Please list extracurricular activities in which you have participated during the past four years. (Include clubs, school sports, student government, fine arts, other honors/awards, etc.)

ACTIVITY	# MONTHS/YEARS	LEADERSHIP POSITION, LETTERS EARNED, AWARDS, RECOGNITION, ETC.

COMMUNITY & PERSONAL ACTIVITIES

Please list community, religious and personal activities in which you have participated during the past four years. (Include volunteer work, youth programs, athletic programs, music, dance, scouts, 4-H, and hobbies to which you have devoted time).

ACTIVITY	# MONTHS/YEARS	# Volunteer Hours	LEADERSHIP POSITION, LETTERS EARNED, AWARDS, RECOGNITION, ETC.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Please list any work experience (including self-employment) you have made during the past four years. (Include employment during the school year and summer months.) Complete this information beginning with your most recent work experience.

Employer	Position	Dates of Employment	Hrs/Wk

Student Name: _____

By signing this application you are stating that the information you submitted is accurate and correct to the best of you and your parent/guardian knowledge.

Student: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ Date: _____

REMINDER:

To be considered for any scholarship a copy of your FAFSA report including the EFC (Expected Family Contribution) must be included.

If you are applying for the Paddison Family Scholarship, the Financial Aid Information and a copy of your FAFSA report including the EFC (Expected Family Contribution) are all REQUIRED.

Please mark through all Social Security numbers. Once we finish the selection process, all important documents will be shredded.

*Please scroll down to see
additional information about each Scholarship*



The Wells Fargo Scholarship
Maximum \$1000

Each year, **Wells Fargo** gives one scholarship to a senior in each of Buncombe County's high schools. The Buncombe County Schools Foundation Scholarship Committee makes all decisions for the **Wells Fargo** scholarships. This committee is composed of representatives from the Buncombe County Schools Foundation Board of Directors; it may include members of the community. The Director of the Foundation shall serve as an ex-officio member.

The student scholarship program **guidelines** are as follows:

Eligibility: Deserving high school seniors are eligible for scholarships. The program shall be administered without reference to race, creed, gender, ethnic group or national origin of the candidates. A 3.0 average is recommended. However, modifications can be made upon the recommendation of the school based scholarship committee.

- **Applications:** Beginning February 15th, potential scholarship candidates shall have the opportunity to make application for the Wells Fargo Scholarship to the Buncombe County Schools Foundation Scholarship Committee.
- **Final Selection Process:** Based upon the criteria below, the Foundation scholarship committee **may** choose to interview each applicant. The scholarship recipient will receive the scholarship award at the school's awards banquet or assembly from a representative of the Buncombe County Schools Foundation.
- **Selection Criteria:** Candidates will be selected upon the basis of the following factors:
 - Proof of overall grade point average
 - Participation in school and community activities
 - Two letters of recommendation
- **Award:** The scholarship will be a one-time grant that will vary depending on availability of funding. The grant can be used at any educational institution, including technical schools and non-degree programs.
- The Director of the Buncombe County Schools Foundation shall notify each school prior to February 15, 2018, of the amount of the scholarship award for the school year. **For 2018, the maximum award will be \$1000.00.**
- Applications must be submitted to the school counselor by March 23. The Principal or his designee shall assure that each senior has access to the Foundation guidelines and application form well in advance of the March 23rd deadline.
- This scholarship will not affect the student's ability to receive any other scholarship offered by the Buncombe County Schools Foundation.

Paddison Family Scholarship
\$6,000 - (\$1,500 X 4 years for High School Graduate)
\$3,000 - (\$1,500 X 2 years Early College Graduate)

Each year, the Buncombe County Schools Foundation gives The **Paddison Family Scholarship** to deserving seniors within the Buncombe County School System. All scholarship applications will be submitted to the Buncombe County Schools Foundation for review. The scholarship committee shall be composed of members of the Buncombe County Schools Foundation Scholarship Committee, the Paddison Family Scholarship Trustee, and may include members of the school and business community. The Director of the Foundation shall serve as an ex-officio member of the scholarship selection committee.

The Paddison Family Scholarship **guidelines** are as follows:

- **Eligibility:** To be eligible, a candidate must be a resident of Buncombe County and a graduating senior enrolled in a school in the Buncombe County School System. The program shall be administered without reference to race, creed, gender, ethnic group, or national origin of the candidates.
- **Applications:** All applicants must apply by submitting a completed scholarship packet to the Buncombe County Schools Foundation.
- **Final Selection Process:** Scholarships shall be awarded to students of good character in need of financial help to defray the expenses of a college education. The student shall have demonstrated a high degree of scholastic aptitude (as evidenced by his or her grade point average) and qualities of leadership. The scholarship recipient shall receive the scholarship award at the school's awards banquet or assembly from a member of the Buncombe County Schools Foundation Board of Directors.
- **Selection Criteria:** Candidates shall be selected upon the basis of the following factors:
 1. Academic Achievement
 2. History of rendering community service at the city, county, state or national level
 3. Participation in school activities
 4. Two letters of recommendation **from present or former teachers**
- **Award:** Annual scholarships shall be substantially equal in amount to each student with an initial minimum amount of \$1,500.00. The amount and number of scholarships may be changed upward or downward in light of funds available and prevailing costs of a college education, as determined from time-to-time by the Trustees.
- 3.0 GPA recommended to maintain all four years of scholarship.
- Should an applicant receive a full scholarship or acceptance to a military academy you are not eligible to receive this scholarship.
- **Duration:** Scholarships shall be awarded on an annual basis for a total of four academic years to recipients satisfying the Foundation committee that he or she is continuing to meet the requirements for selection set forth above.
- **All** scholarship applications must be submitted to the school counselor no later than March 23, 2018. **Finalists may be given a personal interview.**
- The principal or his designee shall assure that each senior has access to the Paddison Family Scholarship Guidelines and application form well in advance of the March 23, 2018 deadline.



Banjo Matthews Motorsports Scholarship \$500

Buncombe County Schools Foundation (BCSF) is awarding one scholarship to a senior. The scholarship offered is for \$500 and will be issued to the educational institution of the student's choice.

The student scholarship program guidelines are as follows:

- **Eligibility:** Deserving high school seniors from any Buncombe County high school are eligible for this scholarship. The program shall be administered without reference to race, creed, gender, ethnic group or national origin of the candidates. A 3.0 average is recommended. However, modifications can be made upon the recommendation of the Buncombe Schools Foundation Scholarship Committee.
- **Applications:** Potential scholarship candidates shall have the opportunity to make application for the Banjo Matthews Motorsports Scholarship (BMMS) to BCSF Committee. The Principal or his/her designee shall assure that each senior has access to the Foundation guidelines and application form well in advance of the March 23, 2018 deadline.
- **Final Selection Process:** Based upon the criteria below, the representatives from BCSF Committee may choose to interview each applicant. The scholarship recipient will receive the scholarship award at the school's awards banquet or assembly from a representative of BCSF.
- **Selection Criteria:** Candidates will be selected upon the basis of the following factors;
 1. Express desire for a career in the motorsports industry
 2. Proof of overall grade point average
 3. Two letters of recommendation
 4. Commitment to future participation with BMMS fundraising event
- **Award:** The scholarship will be a one-time grant that will vary depending on availability of funding. The grant can be used at any educational institution, including technical schools and non-degree programs related to the motorsports industry.
- The Director of the Buncombe County Schools Foundation shall notify each school of the amount of the scholarship award for the school year. **For 2018, the award will be \$500.00.**
- This scholarship will not affect the student's ability to receive any other scholarship offered by the Buncombe County Schools Foundation.



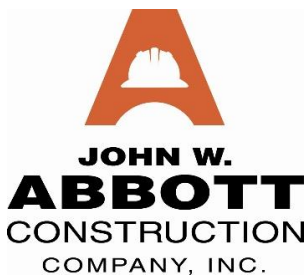


Buncombe County Schools Foundation TEACHER Scholarship \$1,000

The **Buncombe County Schools Foundation TEACHER Scholarship** is available to a graduating senior in Buncombe County. The scholarship is for \$1,000.00 and will be issued to a student who wishes to become an educator.

The Buncombe County Schools Foundation TEACHER Scholarship **guidelines** are as follows:

- **Eligibility:** Deserving high school seniors are eligible for scholarships. The program will be administered without reference to race, creed, gender, ethnic group, or national origin of the candidates. A 3.0 average is recommended. However, modifications can be made upon the recommendation of the school based scholarship committee.
- **Applications:** All applicants must apply by submitting a completed scholarship packet to the Buncombe County Schools Foundation.
- **Final Selection Process:** A personal interview with the committee may be required. The scholarship recipient will receive the award at the academic awards banquet or assembly. A member of the Buncombe County Schools Foundation Board of Directors will make the presentation.
- **Selection Criteria:** Candidates will be selected upon the basis of the following factors:
 1. Proof of overall grade point average
 2. Participation in school and community activities
 3. Two letters of recommendation
 4. A typed brief essay (500 words or less) describing why you wish to become a teacher. The Selection Committee will use your statement as one of the criteria in selecting the recipient of this Scholarship.
- **Award:** The scholarship will be a one-time grant that will vary depending on availability of funding. The grant can be used at any educational institution.
- The Buncombe County Schools Foundation TEACHER Scholarship will be **\$1,000 for 2018**.
- Applications must be submitted to the school counselor by March 23, 2018.
- The principal or his designee will assure that each senior has access to the guidelines and application form well in advance of the March 23, 2018 deadline.
- This scholarship will not affect the student's ability to receive any other scholarships offered by the Buncombe County Schools Foundation.

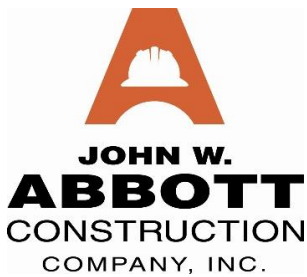


John W. Abbott Scholarship \$2,500 (4-year College/University)

John W. Abbott Construction Company is awarding one scholarship to a senior from a Buncombe County High School. The scholarship offered is for \$2,500. Applicant must be accepted and attend an accredited four (4) year college or university pursuing a Construction Management or equivalent degree.

The student scholarship program **guidelines** are as follows:

- ❖ **Eligibility: Deserving high school seniors** are eligible for this scholarship. The program shall be administered without reference to race, creed, gender, ethnic group or national origin of the candidates.
- ❖ **Applications:** Beginning February, 2018, potential scholarship candidates shall have the opportunity to make application for the John W. Abbott Scholarship to the BCS Foundation Scholarship Committee.
- ❖ **Final Selection Process:** Based upon the criteria below, the scholarship committee **may** choose to interview each applicant. The scholarship recipient will receive the scholarship award at the school's awards banquet or assembly from a representative of the organization giving the scholarship.
- ❖ **Selection Criteria:** Candidates will be selected upon the basis of the following factors:
 - A) Proof of 3.0 GPA or better
 - B) Pursuing a Construction Management or equivalent degree at an accredited four (4) year college or university.
 - C) Two Letters of recommendation
 - D) Participation in school and community activities.
- ❖ **Award:** The scholarship will be a one-time grant that will vary depending on availability of funding.
- ❖ The Director of the Buncombe County Schools Foundation shall notify each school prior to February of the amount of the scholarship award for the school year.
- ❖ This scholarship will not affect the student's ability to receive any other scholarship offered by the Buncombe County Schools Foundation.



John W. Abbott Scholarship \$750 – AB-Tech

John W. Abbott Construction Company is awarding a scholarship to two graduating seniors from a Buncombe County High School. The scholarship offered is for \$750 each. The scholarships will be issued to a student who will attend AB Technical College pursuing a two-year degree in Air Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration Technologies, Mechanical Engineering Technologies, Carpentry, Construction Management Technologies, or Electrical Technologies. Should only one student apply, this can be a single two-year scholarship of \$750/year.

The student scholarship program **guidelines** are as follows:

- ❖ **Eligibility: Deserving high school seniors** are eligible for this scholarship. The program shall be administered without reference to race, creed, gender, ethnic group or national origin of the candidates.
- ❖ **Applications:** Beginning February, 2018, potential scholarship candidates shall have the opportunity to make application for the John W. Abbott Scholarship to the BCS Foundation Scholarship Committee.
- ❖ **Final Selection Process:** Based upon the criteria below, the scholarship committee **may** choose to interview each applicant. The scholarship recipient will receive the scholarship award at the school's awards banquet or assembly from a representative of the organization giving the scholarship.
- ❖ **Selection Criteria:** Candidates will be selected upon the basis of the following factors:
 - A) Proof of 2.0 GPA or better
 - B) Enroll in one of the following Department programs:
 - 1) Air Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration Technologies
 - 2) Mechanical Engineering Technologies
 - 3) Carpentry
 - 4) Construction Management Technologies
 - 5) Electrical Technologies
 - C) Two Letters of recommendation
- ❖ **Award:** The scholarship will be a one-time grant that will vary depending on availability of funding.
- ❖ The Director of the Buncombe County Schools Foundation shall notify each school prior to February of the amount of the scholarship award for the school year.
- ❖ This scholarship will not affect the student's ability to receive any other scholarship offered by the Buncombe County Schools Foundation.



The Buncombe County Chapter School Nutrition Association Margaret Troy Healthy Lifestyles Scholarship \$500

The Buncombe County Chapter School Nutrition Association is awarding a scholarship in memory of Margaret Troy. The scholarship will be referred to as The Buncombe County Chapter School Nutrition Association Margaret Troy Healthy Lifestyles Scholarship. The scholarship offered is \$500.00. The scholarship will be issued to the educational institution of the student's choice. The student must attend an accredited vocational, technical or university in the United States, pursuing a degree that would enhance the health and wellness of children.

The student scholarship program **guidelines** are as follows:

- **Eligibility:** Buncombe County high school graduating seniors are eligible for this scholarship. The program shall be administered without reference to race, creed, gender, ethnic group or national origin of the candidates. A 3.0 average is recommended. However, modifications can be made upon the recommendation of the scholarship committee.
- **Applications:** Once posted on the Buncombe County Schools Foundation web site, potential scholarship candidates shall have the opportunity to make application for the Margaret Troy Scholarship to the Buncombe County Schools Foundation.
- **Final Selection Process:** Based upon the criteria below, the scholarship committee along with representatives from the School Nutrition Department may choose to interview each applicant. The scholarship recipient shall receive the award at the academic awards banquet or assembly.
- **Selection Criteria:** Candidates will be selected upon the basis of the following factors:
 - (a) Proof of overall grade point average
 - (b) Provide an answer to the following essay question (1000 words or less):
"Why is a healthy lifestyle important in school?"
 - (c) Participation in school and community activities
 - (d) Two letters of recommendation
 - (e) Complete the School Nutrition Scholarship Application
- **Award:** The scholarship will be a one-time grant that will vary depending on availability of funding. The grant can be used at any educational institution, including technical schools and universities.
- All completed scholarship packets/applications are due to the high school counselor offices by March 23, 2018. The Principal or his designee shall assure that each senior has access to the Foundation guidelines and application form well in advance of the March 23rd deadline.
- This scholarship will not affect the student's ability to receive any other scholarship offered by the Buncombe County Schools Foundation.

Complete Buncombe County Chapter School Nutrition Scholarship Application Attached



Buncombe County Chapter School Nutrition Association Margaret Troy Healthy Lifestyles Scholarship Application

1. Full Name: _____
2. Street Address: _____
3. City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____
4. Cell: _____ Student Email: _____ GPA: _____ (unweighted)
5. Name of the school you plan to attend: _____ Major: _____

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Please list extracurricular activities in which you have participated during the past four years. (Include clubs, school sports, student government, fine arts, other honors/awards, etc.) Attach extra sheet, if necessary.

ACTIVITY	# MONTHS/YEARS	LEADERSHIP POSITION, LETTERS EARNED, AWARDS, RECOGNITION, ETC.

COMMUNITY & PERSONAL ACTIVITIES

Please list community, religious and personal activities in which you have participated during the past four years. (Include volunteer work, youth programs, athletic programs, music, dance, scouts, 4-H, and hobbies to which you have devoted time). Attach extra sheet, if necessary.

ACTIVITY	# MONTHS/YEARS	# Volunteer Hours	LEADERSHIP POSITION, LETTERS EARNED, AWARDS, RECOGNITION, ETC.

Please sign below and return this application **with all required materials** to your High School Counseling Department by March 23, 2018. Late applications will not be accepted.

I certify that all information on this form is true to the best of my knowledge and understand all decisions made are final and not subject to review or appeal. I further understand any information provided on this form may be shared with committee members of the sponsoring scholarship.

Student's complete name: _____

Student signature: _____ Date: _____

Kayla Dezaray Hensley
“Gentle Heart” Memorial Scholarship
\$1,000

The Buncombe County Schools Foundation is awarding one scholarship to a senior from a Buncombe County High School in memory of Kayla Dezaray Hensley. Kayla was the sunshine in many hearts who never knew a stranger. She had a strong will to overcome any obstacle in life that was handed to her. Not only was she a comfort to people but she inspired them. Kayla was an angel on earth for 18 years and though she had to fly away, she left an impression on all of our hearts. The scholarship offered is for \$1,000 and will be issued to the **2 or 4 year educational institution of the student’s choice majoring in Special Education, Speech Therapy, Deaf Education, Physical Therapy or Occupational Therapy.**

The student scholarship program **guidelines** are as follows:

- ❖ **Eligibility:** **Deserving high school seniors** are eligible for this scholarship. The program shall be administered without reference to race, creed, gender, ethnic group or national origin of the candidates. A 2.5 average is recommended.
- ❖ **Selection Process:** Based upon the criteria below, the scholarship committee **may** choose to interview each applicant. The scholarship recipient will receive the scholarship award at student’s high school awards banquet from a representative of Kayla Hensley’s family or the Buncombe County Schools Foundation.
- ❖ **Selection Criteria:** Candidates will be selected upon the basis of the following factors:
 - (a) Proof of overall grade point average – 2.5 or higher.
 - (b) Participation/leadership in school or community activities.
 - (c) Two letters of recommendation.
 - (d) A typed, brief essay (500 words or less) describing:
“Why you want to pursue a degree in Deaf Education, Special Education, Speech Therapy, Physical Therapy or Occupational Therapy”

The Selection Committee will use your statement as one of the criteria in selecting the scholarship recipient.

- ❖ **Award:** The scholarship will be a one-time grant. The grant can be used at any educational institution.
- ❖ Applications must be submitted to your high school counselor by March 23, 2018.
- ❖ This scholarship will not affect the student’s ability to receive any other scholarship offered by the Buncombe County Schools Foundation.



Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company Scholarship Minimum of \$500 per High School

The **Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company Scholarship** is available to one graduating senior in each of Buncombe County's high schools. Each scholarship offered is for a minimum of \$500.00 (five hundred dollars) and will be issued to the educational institution of the student's choice.

The Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company Scholarship **guidelines** are as follows:

- **Eligibility:** Deserving high school seniors are eligible for scholarships. The program shall be administered without reference to race, creed, gender, ethnic group, or national origin of the candidates. A 3.0 average is recommended. However, modifications can be made with the recommendations of the school based scholarship committee.
- **Applications:** Potential scholarship candidates shall have the opportunity to make application for the Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company Scholarship.
- **Final Selection Process:** All applicants must apply by submitting a completed scholarship packet to their high school scholarship committees. A personal interview with the committee is optional. The scholarship recipient shall receive the award at the academic awards banquet or assembly. Either an employee of the Pepsi-Cola Bottling Company or a member of the Buncombe County Schools Foundation Board of Directors will make the presentation.
- **Selection Criteria:** Candidates shall be selected upon the bases of the following factors:
 1. Proof of overall grade point average
 2. Participation in school and community activities
 3. Two letters of recommendation
- **Award:** The scholarship shall be a one-time grant that will vary depending on availability of funding. The grant can be used at any educational institution, including technical schools and non-degree programs.
- The Director of the Buncombe County Schools Foundation shall notify each school of the amount of the scholarship award for the school year. **In 2018, the minimum award will be \$500.00 per high school.**
- Applications shall be submitted to the individual school's scholarship committee. Once the student is selected, the **school counselor** will forward the **name** of the winner along with the **scholarship packet** to the director of the Buncombe County Schools Foundation who will, in return, send the money to the educational institution that the student chooses.
- This scholarship will not affect the student's ability to receive any other scholarship offered by the Buncombe County Schools Foundation.