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Scholarship	Requirements	Scholarship Award	Deadline	Contact Person
RMHC Scholarship Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The scholarship program includes: 1) RMHC Scholars for children of all backgrounds 2) RMHC Future Achievers for African American high school seniors and 3) RMHC/HACER for Latino high school seniors. Students are welcome to apply online at: www.rmhc.org. 	Each scholarship will offer 15 scholarships: 2 - \$5,000 awards 13- \$1,000 awards	February 16, 2010	Guidance Counselor
The Kingdom of Lucerne	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The requirements for this award are: 1) a grade of A or B in history, English, math, and science (copy of official transcript needed) for each year of high school, 2) acceptance at a college or university (copy of acceptance letter needed), and 3) completion of a brief, original essay. Applicants may pick up copy of the three page packet in the Guidance Office. 	\$500	March 1, 2010	Guidance Counselor
American Red Cross Blood Services , Penn Jersey Region	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is an essay competition and scholarship award focused on increasing awareness of the need for blood donors to support the blood transfusion needs of patients living with Sickle Cell Disease. Applicants must be a graduating high school senior who attends high school in a school that sponsors a blood drive with American Red Cross Blood Services, Penn-Jersey Region. Applicant must be actively involved in the planning and/or recruitment of blood donors during their senior year of high school. Students of American Red Cross employees or students currently serving as a member of the American Red Penn-Jersey Region Board of Directors are not eligible to participate. The applicant must complete a 500 word essay, answering the following question: How have you as a student raised awareness of Sickle Cell Disease, and demonstrated a commitment to and inspired others to donate blood to support patients with Sickle Cell Disease?" The application and essay information are online at www.pleasegiveblood.org. The essay and application must be submitted electronically. 	\$1,000	Monday, March 15, 2010	Guidance Counselor

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Fairleigh Dickinson University 2010 New Jersey Business Idea Competition	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> This unique initiative is designed to recognize and reward creative and enterprising students. This competition is open to all high school students and fosters an entrepreneurial mindset and ultimately recognizes those who develop the brightest, most commercially feasible ideas. Applicants may download an entry online via the web site: www.fdu.edu/businessidea 	A total of 40 prizes (cash, plaques, and certificates)	February 19, 2010	Guidance Counselor
Elizabeth Ann Seton Center for Women's Studies at Seton Hall University	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The author of the winning essay will receive a gift certificate and plaque. Students are asked to write about a female role model, someone who has inspired and influenced them. This can be either someone they know or a historical figure. The more creative the topic, the better. All essays must be typed, double-spaced, and between 500-750 words in length. The essay must have a cover sheet attached that contains the following information: student's name and email address, title of essay, high school information (name, address, telephone number), and name and telephone number of a school official to be contacted. The student's name should appear only on the cover sheet. Each essay will be evaluated for originality, execution, and adherence to the topic and format requirements. 	\$100	February 16, 2010	Guidance Counselor
New Jersey Vietnam Veterans' Memorial Foundation	<p>Applications may be downloaded: www.njvvmf.org. The scholarship committee has established the following criteria for eligibility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The award is for post secondary education (college/community college, trade school, etc.). Applicant must be a New Jersey resident. Applicant must have visited the NJ Vietnam Veterans' Memorial. Applicant must write an essay about his/her visit (see application for details) *Applications, essay, and acceptance letters may be faxed to: 732-335-1107. Applicant must submit verification of acceptance at a particular school with this application. The application must be typed or printed legibly in its entirety. Applicant may submit only one application, and sign and date Authentication. 	Two - \$2,500 awards	Friday, April 16, 2010 <i>*Applications postmarked before the date, but received after the deadline will NOT be accepted.</i>	Guidance Counselor

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Policeman's Benevolent Association Mainland Local #77	<p>The qualifications to receive one of the scholarships are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academic standing in the upper 20% of the graduating class • No substantial criminal or discipline record • Child of a PBA#77 member (Memorial Scholarship only) <p>Students meeting the above criteria need to complete a copy of the 2010 PBA Scholarship Award Application, attach a copy of their academic history, have a parent sign the completed application and forward the application to Guidance for review and signature.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Selection of the scholarship recipients will be based upon the student's financial need, application essay, community participation and class rank. 	<p>Two awards: \$500 – for student from Absegami \$500 – for students who have a parent that is a member of PBA #77</p>	February 28, 2010	Guidance Counselor
Fred Baker Memorial Scholarship Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant must be pursuing a career in either Law Enforcement or Fire Rescue fields. • A student who maintains a GPA of B or higher • The student must also provide proof every semester showing that he or she is still enrolled as a student and that their major is one that pursues a career towards Law Enforcement or Fire/Rescue. If the student fails to do so, the remainder of the Scholarship will be forfeited. 	\$2,000 (\$500 per year for 4 years)	March 31, 2010	Guidance Counselor
AVODA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Qualifying seniors will be evaluated on their responses to the four areas of inquiry and their applications. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Scholastic achievement 2) Financial need 3) Jewish Consciousness – demonstrated by religious training and experiences and volunteer endeavors and activities in the Jewish Community. 4) Activities and Leadership – in high school and in the general community. • Usually winners have been in the top 10% of their class, have attained SAT scores of 1800 or above and have taken at least four AP courses, Family incomes have usually been below \$125,000. These numbers should not discourage applicants who come close in some areas but are truly outstanding in others. All factors are taken into account. 	Over \$65,000 awarded to two graduating seniors in Atlantic County	March 1, 2010	Guidance Counselor

