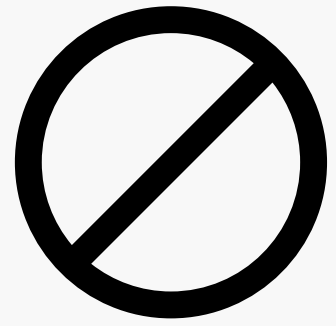


# PARENTING DON'TS OF SCHOLARSHIPS



## **DON'T ASSUME YOUR STUDENT WON'T QUALIFY BECAUSE OF AVERAGE GRADES OR TEST SCORES**

There are thousands of scholarships that don't require specific GPAs or test scores. Also, scholarships that require a GPA disclosure typically require a GPA of 2.5 or 3.5. Once that requirement is met, the student has as fair of a shot as any other applicant.

## **DON'T PASS UP THE SMALL SCHOLARSHIPS**

Scholarships with the least competition are between \$500 and \$5,000

## **DON'T LET YOUR STUDENT CASUALLY WRITE THEIR SCHOLARSHIP ESSAYS**

The essay your student writes needs to WOW the scholarship committee so make sure they take time to write an outstanding essay. Don't start writing an essay without doing research and make sure to pay attention to the word count!

## **DON'T LET YOUR STUDENT WRITE THE STANDARD WAY**

Scholarship committees want to see your student's personality and understand their passions! Use this to your advantage when writing essays.

## **DON'T THINK YOU ARE ALONE**

The Scholarship Resource Center is available to assist your student with finding and applying for scholarships. Schedule a meeting with us today!

## **DON'T LET THEM FORGET**

Remind your student of scholarship deadlines and push your students to apply for multiple scholarships. You can also set goals for them and utilize time during school breaks to complete scholarship applications.

## **DON'T LET YOUR STUDENT FORGET THEIR MANNERS**

Be sure to remind your student to send Thank You cards to the scholarship committees to thank them for providing the scholarship to your student.

## **DON'T THINK THE TIMING IS WRONG**

Don't think that scholarships are only for graduating high school seniors. There are tens of thousands of scholarships available for all ages, starting in middle school all the way to graduate and postgraduate. Scholarships have deadlines year-round so whenever your student has free time, there are scholarships open to apply for.

