

## TIPS for SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

- Apply early.
- Request school transcripts and letters of recommendation early. Schools cannot provide transcripts on the weekend or a holiday. Give schools time to prepare them and FOLLOW UP to ensure the transcript is provided.
- Ensure Letters of Recommendation are current and preferably signed. Letters of Recommendation should NOT be from a family member.
- Check your GPA. Make sure it fits the requirements of the scholarship.
- Write personal essay to explain how you meet the scholarship requirements. Be sure to address the specific requirements (knowledge related, service/leadership, financial need, etc.).
- Double check scholarship requirements before submitting application. Review all criteria to be sure you meet the minimum or maximum requirement.
- Watch for Scholarship Deadlines.

