



SENIOR NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2024



UPCOMING DATES:

APRIL 16: SBAC ELA (FOR 12TH GRADERS THAT NEED IT)

APRIL 29-MAY 3: SPRING FLING

APRIL 30: SBAC MATH (FOR 12TH GRADERS THAT NEED IT)

MAY 4: PROM

MAY 16: GRADUATION MEETING 6PM

MAY 20: SENIOR PROJECT PRESENTATIONS FROM 5-7:30PM

MAY 22: ACADEMIC AWARDS ASSEMBLY AT 1:30PM

MAY 29: LAST DAY FOR SENIORS

MAY 31: CLASS OF 2024 GRADUATION!

**ORDER YOUR CAP
AND GOWN FROM
JOSTENS NOW!**

**THE PRICE GOES UP BY
\$10 EVERY MONTH!**

**CHECK YOUR FINES!
YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO GET YOUR
DIPLOMA IF YOU HAVE FINES ON
YOUR ACCOUNT!**

**SENIOR PROJECT PRESENTATIONS
MAY 20, 2024 5-6PM AND 6:30-7:30PM**

CONTACT YOUR COUNSELORS:

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DO YOU NEED A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION?

- Ask at least 1 week before its due
- Think of an adult that knows you well.
- Ask politely! Show your gratitude!
- Use the "Letter of Rec" sheet found in your Google Classroom!

WHERE ARE YOU HEADED AFTER GRADUATION?

**WATCH FOR A GOOGLE FORM IN YOUR CLASS
OF 2024 GOOGLE CLASSROOM TO LET US KNOW
WHERE YOU'RE HEADED SO WE CAN
CELEBRATE YOU!**

HAVE YOU BOUGHT A YEARBOOK YET?!

**Keep memories
from your
senior year for
a lifetime with
a Class of 2024
Yearbook!**

THE ROOST!
**THE PLACE TO BE AFTER
SCHOOL!**
**GET HELP MONDAY-THURSDAY
FROM 3-5PM.**





Receive 1-5 Scholarship notices each week (FREE) --- Sign up at: www.WeeklyScholarshipAlert.org

SEARCH For Scholarships

www.thewashboard.org
www.fastweb.com
www.wiredscholar.com
www.studentaid.ed.gov
www.brokescholar.com

**ALL SCHOLARSHIPS ARE ALSO LISTED IN THE
CLASS OF 2023 GOOGLE CLASSROOM.**

Northwest Career Colleges

Offers 3--\$1,000 scholarships to students from Connell High School. If you are attending a member school, let Mrs. Brandt know! www.nwcareercolleges.org

March 8, 2024

Ewing C. Kelly Scholarship

\$2500

Applicants will be judged on citizenship, academic achievement and financial need. If attending a four year college, student must have a composite score of 20 on the ACT or a composite score of 1030 on the recently revised SAT. Student must be a US citizen. See Mrs. Brandt for application or go to <https://kellyfoundationwashington.org/>

March 10, 2024

Washington Award for Vocational Excellence

up to \$7,700

Must be a graduating high school senior who have completed, or be in the process of completing, their second course in a single CTE pathway.

Applicants must create an account on the WashBoard Portal.

Find more information and links to everything you need at <https://wtb.wa.gov/wave/>

March 15, 2024

Marsden Scholarship

Up to \$30,000 over four years

For seniors who have maintained high grades throughout high school, garnered recognition for their academic achievements and their drive to contribute to their communities. Financial need is a consideration for this scholarship; academic potential is a greater consideration.

To apply: <https://stjohns-cathedral.org/marsden-scholarship>

March 13, 2024

Smart Choices Scholarship

3 - \$5000, 12 - \$1000

WIAA proudly presents the Smart Choices Scholarship Program. The 2022 Smart Choices Scholarship Program awarded three (3) \$5,000 scholarships and 12 \$1,000 scholarships to graduating seniors from WIAA member high schools for excellence in athletics/activities, academics, leadership and community service throughout their high school careers. Applicants must have participated in a WIAA sanctioned high school sport or activity. To apply go to www.wiaa.com/smartchoices

March 15, 2024

Columbia Basin Foundation

Various Scholarships Available (listed below)

Go to www.columbiabasinfoundation.org/scholarships where you will fill out a survey that will show you all of the scholarships through their foundation that you are eligible to apply for, you will then complete one universal scholarship application online. See Mrs. Brandt if you have any questions.

Emily L. Hart Fine Arts Scholarship

\$3000 payable in increments each fall for 4 consecutive years

For a graduating senior involved in the fine arts program at Connell High School for a minimum of three years (band, choir, art or drama). Also, you must have excelled academically in high school.

G.O. and Ione Ewart Educational Trust

Amounts Vary

For a graduating senior who is going on to a four year college or university as a full-time student. Scholarship is given based on merit and active participation in clubs, sports, etc.

Bryan W. Wallace Scholarship

Amounts Vary

The Bryan W. Wallace Scholarship Fund is for graduates of Connell High School. Preference is given to first-generation attendees of a post-high school educational institution.

March 22, 2024

CBHA Healthy Futures Scholarship

\$2000

Minimum GPA of 3.25. Must be planning on attending a two year or four year technical, vocational or specialty school in a health care or human services career and have demonstrated leadership and dedication to community service. See Mrs. Brandt for an application.

March 27, 2024

Beta Sigma Phi Beta Psi Scholarship

\$1000

Awarded to female Seniors at Connell High School who possess leadership, community service and strong academic qualities. See Mrs. Brandt for an application or access it on the Class of 2024 Google Classroom.

March 27, 2024

Connell High School Alumni Scholarship

\$1500

For a senior who will be furthering his/her education.

This scholarship is based on financial need, academic record, written recommendation and seriousness of purpose. See Mrs. Brandt for an application or access it on the Class of 2024 Google Classroom.

March 20, 2024

Eagles Nest Scholarship

4 - \$500

The organization would like to recognize and assist outstanding senior graduates further their educational career. The chosen students will each receive a five hundred dollar (\$500.00) scholarship. Four scholarships are available.

Who is eligible? Any North Franklin High School Senior who: will have completed the requirements for graduation by graduation day, and intends to further their education at an accredited college, university or vocational institution. The committee will be looking for "well rounded students" planning to further their education and showing a need for financial assistance. Go to your 2024 Google Classroom for application or see Mrs. Brandt.

March 25, 2024

Puget Sound Maritime Education Scholarship

\$1,500 to \$5,000

YMTA scholarships may be used for maritime programs at community colleges, technical and vocational schools, colleges, universities, maritime academies or other educational institutions.

Awards support tuition and fees, and are sent directly to the recipient's school/program. Go to <https://ymta.net> for more information.

March 29, 2024

3 Rivers Community Foundation

Awards Vary

*Cocoa Morris Memorial Scholarship - for students who identify as LGBTQ+ from Benton and Franklin counties

*Gabe Morris Memorial Scholarship - for students who identify as black, indigenous, or person of color (BIPOC) from Benton and Franklin counties

*Woodward Conservation Scholarship - for students with demonstrated interest in conservation

*Richard C. Emory Business and Finance Scholarship - for freshman or returning college students with a demonstrated interest in business, finance, economics or accounting.

Go to www.3rcf.org to apply

April 4, 2024

Karcher Founders' Scholarship

10 - \$10,000

The Carl N. and Margaret Karcher Founders' Scholarship is available to graduating high school seniors or graduates who plan to enroll for the first time in a full-time undergraduate course of study at an accredited college or university.

Scholarships are available to all eligible students in the 16 states where Carl's Jr. operates. Applicants must be 26 years old or younger and be an incoming freshman at an accredited college or university. Applications are due by 3 p.m. PST on April 4, 2024. The link to the scholarship is available on the Class of 2024 Google Classroom.

April 7, 2024

League of Women Voters Benton-Franklin Counties

\$1000

The League of Women Voters is a non-partisan organization that provides voter information and encourages citizen participation in government. Applicants for this scholarship must be graduating high school in the spring of 2023 from a public high school in Benton or Franklin County and submit an essay on what good citizenship means to them. Go to www.lwv-bf.org to apply.

April 12, 2024

Bailie Memorial Youth Ranch Scholarship

\$1000

Bailie Memorial Youth Ranch has chosen to establish a scholarship program which will award \$1000 scholarships to seniors graduating in 2023 from North Franklin and/or Othello School Districts who wish to further their education after high school. This could be a College or University, Community College or Trade School. Applicants will be selected based on the following criteria: financial need, academic achievement, and community involvement. Applications are available from Mrs. Brandt.

April 14, 2024

Anderson Perry and Associates Scholarship

\$1000

AP has an interest in developing awareness and interest in the engineering industry within the community. Preferably, we would like to offer this scholarship to a graduating senior interested in pursuing a degree in a Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) related field. AP has developed selection criteria and an application process that students will be able to access through our scholarship website (www.andersonperry.com/scholarships). Prospective applicants from your school will need to enter the application code 24-Connell to complete the application. The application portal will close on April 14, 2024.

April 15, 2024

Chavita Martinez Scholarship

Requirements: Minimum Cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher, must come from a migrant or seasonal farm working background, and First-generation student (First in their families to attend college).

Answer the following questions in an essay:

- 1.) Tell us about yourself.
- 2.) Who or what has had the biggest influence in your life and why?
- 3.) What are some personal/academic challenges you have faced and how did you overcome them?
- 4.) What are your academic and career goals?
- 5.) Why does education matter to you?
- 6.) Why do you deserve this scholarship?

Turn in essay to Mrs. Brandt by the deadline.

April 15, 2024

Central Basin Audubon Society Scholarship

\$1000

The CBAS will be offering at least two "Ron Van Nurden Memorial Scholarships to graduating seniors who are planning a career in the field of Environmental Education, Environmental Stewardship or Wildlife Conservation or in the field of Natural History dealing with wildlife and/or wildlife habitat. Go to the 2024 Google Classroom for the scholarship application.

April 15, 2024

Yakima Federal Scholarship

\$2500

Applicants must be in the top 10 percent of their graduating class and have completed community service and leadership activity within and outside the school environment. All seniors who are eligible for this scholarship have been given an application.

April 18, 2024

WWIN Star Scholarship

\$5,000 per academic year

Our scholars are women transforming their futures by pursuing higher education in Washington state. They are resilient, determined, and using their education and careers to spark positive change for themselves, their families, and our communities.

Each WWIN Star Scholar is awarded up to \$5,000 for the academic year. The scholarship may be renewed each year up to graduation with a first bachelor's degree or up to \$20,000. Scholars also have the support of our Resiliency Fund for financial setbacks outside of school, our Career Coaching program, and our online networking community WWIN Connect. Go to <https://wwin.org/star-scholars/> for more information.

April 15, 2024

Sea Mar Scholarship

\$1000

Sea Mar recognizes and acknowledges the barriers children of farm working families face in their pursuit of a college degree. Economic strains, as well as the language and cultural barriers can often affect these students. Students who work or have worked OR, whose parent/legal guardian is or has worked as a farm worker and planning on being a full time college student in the fall of 2024 are eligible to apply. Go to seamar.org for a scholarship application.

April 25, 2023

Franklin County Cattlemen's Scholarship

\$3000

To be eligible for the scholarship you must be a graduating senior with a Franklin County, Washington address/residence and planning a career that will directly benefit the Ag Industry. Educational goals may include accredited colleges as well as a technical/vocational trade school. Past recipients have continued their education to gain careers in veterinary medicine, education, agri-business, agricultural law, farming, cattle ranching, rangeland management, physical/equine therapy, Ag public relations and industries that support the agricultural community. An additional scholarship, in memory of Cindy Lancaster, has been established for individuals that pursue an Educational Degree. Go to the Class of 2023 Google Classroom to access the application.

April 26, 2024

Tri-Cities Sunrise Rotary Club Scholarship

\$2000

The Tri-Cities Sunrise Rotary Club is offering a \$2,000 college or technical school scholarship to a senior student. This award is open to all graduating students to be used for post-secondary education starting fall 2023. The successful applicant will have demonstrated core values aligning with that of Rotary. The application is linked in the Class of 2024 Google Classroom.

June 1, 2024

UW P. Wineman Scholarship

1 - \$1,000 and 4 - \$250

For graduating seniors who will be attending UW in Fall 2024. See the post on the Class of 2024 Google Classroom for a PDF of the application.