



COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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IMPORTANT REMINDER

- **Check portals and read your email**

Check your portals and read emails from your universities so you don't miss any opportunities, honors college applications, Scholarship Applications, etc. **Portals are also likely where decisions will be released.**

- **January 1st-5th Deadlines**

Guaranteed submission deadlines for transcripts to be sent:

Dec 30th at 11:59 pm

- **Be prepared to report every scholarship you receive!**

- ☐ [Report Scholarships here for every school.](#) These scholarship numbers are used as part of graduation materials- report them as you get scholarships back!

- **Keep Scoir updated as you hear back from your schools!**

- ☐ Update your decision from colleges in Scoir (directions below)
- ☐ We also love it when you stop by guidance and celebrate with us!!

- **Take screenshots of your college acceptances**

- ☐ We will ask for acceptance letters in the spring - screenshot them and save them on your phone/iPad as you receive them.

School Specific Information

[IU Scholarship process](#) has been updated for this year, student will create IU student accounts to apply by February 15th.

[Here is the link to Purdue's Departmental Scholarship List](#) (application on student's App Portal)

FINANCIAL AID

The FAFSA is now open!

The FAFSA is the starting point for ALL financial aid and most schools require it even for merit-based aid. It gives institutions a complete picture of your family's financial situation and *ideally* helps them see your funding gaps, whether you qualify for a Pell Grant or not.

- Both students and parents will need to file a 2026-27 FAFSA on studentaid.gov
 - Filing deadline is April 15 2026
 - [Purdue scholarships](#) with need-based consideration have a FAFSA deadline of Dec 15th. Check
 - **CSS Profile**- Some schools require families or give them the option to file the [CSS Profile](#). This is a tool some schools use to find a more comprehensive fin aid picture. Notre Dame is the only Indiana school, but many out-of-state schools do so; always check the school website.
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SCHOLARSHIP CORNER

I have spent a few hours combing through scholarship sites like GoingMerry, and FastWeb. Below are scholarship opportunities with links and deadlines:

Indianapolis YMCA Monster Meeting Scholarship

[The YMCA Monster Meeting Scholarship](#) asks Indianapolis students about their commitment to community service and looks for students who can show or demonstrate an understanding of commitment to racial equity.

Deadline: December 8th

Next Generation Hoosier Educators Scholarship

[The Next Generation Hoosier Educators Scholarship](#) provides high-achieving high school and college students interested in pursuing a career in education the opportunity to earn a

renewable scholarship of up to \$10,000 each year for four academic years. In exchange, students agree to teach full-time for five years at an eligible Indiana school or **repay** the corresponding, prorated amount of the scholarship. [Check here](#) to see if you are eligible for the scholarship.

Due Date: January 31, 2026

Central Indiana Community Foundation Scholarships:

[The Central Indiana Community Foundation](#) administers **211 local scholarships** in Central Indiana. Students fill out one scholarship profile, and it filters out and applies them to all scholarships that they are eligible for.

Due Date: February 1st, 2026

Simon Property Scholarships

[The Simon Youth Foundation](#) offers 3 scholarships: one for employee children and 2 for community members. Requirements differ per scholarship.

Due Date: February 13, 2026

PHP in the Community Scholarship

[PHP in the Community Scholarship](#) is for students who live in areas served by PHP (map found here) and complete the application and a 30-60 second video.

Due Date: February 20th

Indiana Oil and Gas Association

[IOGA gives students in Indiana multiple \\$2-3K](#) scholarships each year. Students must have a 3.0 gpa with preference given to majors in Chemical Engineering, Geology or Earth Sciences.

Due Date: April 1st

Indiana Sheriff's Association

[ISA gives out scholarships](#) to dependents or grandchildren of current ISA members who are interested in pursuing a career in law enforcement.

Due Date: April 1st

Kauffman and Stigger Scholarship

[This law office awards two \\$1000 scholarships](#) to students with 3.0 gpa or higher and requires an essay about someone inspiration in your life.

Due Date: May 26th

Scoir Information

Update Scoir when you hear back:

All the data in Scoir for “What are my chances” of admissions comes from real data from Chatard students. Please help us by updating Scoir when you hear back from schools. *Reminder, no one sees your outcomes but you.*

Click on the school in your “applied” column, click “edit outcome” and then record your decision.

The screenshot displays the Scoir application interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, Discover, My Colleges, Inbox, and Me. A search bar is also present. The main content area is divided into two sections. On the left, under 'Applied (1)', there is a list of schools with a filter icon. The first school listed is Indiana University (Bloomington, IN), which is highlighted with a blue border. Below the school name, it shows 'Early Action Nov 1' and 'Outcome Pending'. On the right, the details for Indiana University (Bloomington) are shown. It includes the school's name, location, and a list of applied programs: 'Early Action | First Year' (10/24/2023) and 'Common App' (ID# 38112743). The 'Outcome Pending' status is highlighted with a red circle, and the 'Edit Outcome' button is also circled in red. Below this, an 'Academic Overview' table is displayed with the following data:

Admission Rate	Undergraduate Students	Average SAT	Average ACT
83%	35,660	1235	27