

General

- [Career Cruising](#) - planning for after high school
- [Khan Academy](#) - SAT prep: online, free
- [Career Bridge](#) - Explore careers, view job trends
- **About Trades**
 - [Running Start for the Trades](#)
 - [Washington State Community and Technical Colleges](#)
 - [Apprenticeships](#)
 - [Career Training & Continuing Education](#)
 - [Bellingham Technical College](#)
 - [Skagit Valley College](#)
 - <https://www.mikeroweworks.org/> - great website advocating for skilled labor; scholarships available
 - CITC - <https://citcwa.org/apprenticeship/>
- **About College**
 - [Ready Set Grad](#) – information on planning for college
 - [Washington State Community and Technical Colleges](#) - comprehensive list of state colleges and programs/degrees they offer
 - <http://www.commonapp.org> - tutorial on Common Application used by many different colleges/universities
 - [360 Financial Literacy](#)
 - <https://www.collegeessayguy.com> <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCh3V2VU1UcZEDr6E3ztsFkA> (You Tube videos)_College essay guy – helpful information about writing essays for college and scholarship applications
- **About careers**
 - [Big Future College Board](#) - helpful for all students to create an account and explore – will help with HS&B
- **About military service**
 - [Today's Military](#) - lots of info for students interested in enlisting in the military

Scholarship opportunities

- FAFSA is essential to fully optimize choices
- GPA of 3.6 or higher suggested for most scholarships
- **TIPS TO SECURING SCHOLARSHIPS**
 - 1. Start Locally
 - 2. Consider Smaller Awards
 - 3. More Work = Less Applicants
 - 4. Focus on Your Interests
 - 5. Submit Your Best Work
- **Sign up with [TheWashboard.org](#) to set up your profile for Washington scholarships**
- CCS Education Scholarship - contact Stephanie Bareman
- Western Washington University – students that have been accepted will be automatically considered for applicable scholarships
- [Whatcom Community College Foundation Scholarships](#) – lots of info on local, state and national scholarships
- [Whatcom Dollars for Scholars](#) – applications received in January and February
- [Dairy Women Scholarships](#)
- [Whatcom County State 4-H Scholarship](#) - contact brenda.dunford@wsu.edu
- [Mt. Baker Rotary](#)
- [Lynden Noon Kiwanis](#)
- Lynden Breakfast Kiwanis
- [CHS Scholarships](#)
- [Northwest Washington Fair Foundation](#) & Lynden Youth Fair Scholarship
- [Whatcom Women in Business](#)
- [National Merit Scholarship](#)