Scholarship Applications

We have dubbed the fall as Free Money Season! It is the time of year to complete the FAFSA for your next school year and now we have the 2021-2022 Ohio State Lima Scholarship Application available (go.osu.edu/LimaScholarshipApp) on our website. The Ohio State ScholarshipUniverse portal (osu.scholarshipuniverse.com) through Columbus is also available.

The 2021-2022 Ohio State Lima Scholarship Application will be used to apply for Lima campus scholarships. One application, numerous scholarship opportunities.

The ScholarshipUniverse portal will connect Ohio State students with internal and external scholarship opportunities. ScholarshipUniverse will pull certain scholarships that you might be eligible for and then you just have to click “apply.” Most of the scholarships listed are available only on the Columbus campus, but some other colleges and departments have their scholarships running through the portal, for instance the Office of Diversity and Inclusion and the College of Engineering.

We always say, “Apply for as many scholarships as possible” so why not just fill out both applications? They are both quick and easy to complete and due by February 1. The best part is that they could both result in free money for the 2021-2022 school year!!!
Winter Break Tips

Students and parents might have different ideas of what will take place over the break. Parents often envision their student spending significant amounts of time with the family, while students may have plans to work and visit with old friends. Students can find time for catching up with old friends while still devoting time to family. Parents and students can communicate before break about what the break will look like.

Parents

Your student will need a break from the stress of the semester so make sure to give them a little space at first. Although most parents check in on students throughout the semester, this can be a time to spend more in depth time communicating about how college is going.

A common area of conflict is parents’ reluctance to see their student as an adult who has been living on their own. It may be difficult to transition back to house rules after enjoying the freedom since college began. Parents and students can possibly negotiate a new set of house rules, remembering that both sides will have to give a little to make sure to enjoy a smooth holiday break.

Some students may experience some feelings of anxiety or depression due to being away from their college environment. The same may happen when they return to college after the holiday break so be sure to keep in contact with your student and encourage them to use the resources on campus to assist them if needed.

Students

Prepare your parents in advance if your grades aren’t what they might expect or if there are any other issues that need to be addressed. You may arrive home to find the balance and patterns aren’t quite the same at home. Dynamics within the family might have shifted since the you left for college. Parents and students can both do their best to support one another during this time.

Most importantly!

Enjoy spending time with family and friends over the holidays! Make sure to rest and relax, indulge in some yummy treats, have fun, and be safe! And don’t forget to check your Ohio State email and your BuckeyeLink to ensure a smooth transition from autumn to spring semester.