2019-20 March COLLEGE PROGRAM
and SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

**Autism & Me Scholarship**
A scholarship awarded to an Upson-Lee senior that is going into the Special Education field or be a Special Needs graduating senior going to college. The requirements are to type an essay of 500 words or more on “How someone having Autism affects you”. Please mail your essays to Autism Awareness Scholarship, Qushanda Skelton, P.O. Box 26, Thomaston, GA 30286 by **March 31, 2020**.

**Carl Flowers Memorial Athletic Scholarship**
A scholarship has been established in memory of Carl Flowers. Scholarship applicants must meet the following criteria:
- be a graduating senior of Upson-Lee High School in good standing.
- must compete in two or more varsity sports for at least two years of high school at ULHS.
- have at least a 2.7 overall GPA
- submit application with a typed essay on the topic “How has participating in sports at Upson-Lee contributed to your life and what are some of the lessons you have learned from participating?”
- must be enrolled in college the fall semester following his/her high school graduation.
Scholarship funds will be paid directly to the institution in recipient’s name. Please see Mrs. Bailey for an application. Application and essay are due by **March 13th**.

**County Officers’ Association of Georgia**
The County Officers’ Association of Georgia will present a scholarship to a deserving high school seniors. Applicants must present a letter of acceptance from a school of accredited higher education located within Georgia (4-year, 2-year, or technical schools accepted); a COAG scholarship application (may be downloaded from www.coagonline.org); submit a 1000 word essay (typed, double-spaced, 12 point font with title page—the essay CANNOT contain any reference to the city, town, or county where the applicant resides nor any reference to the high school attended). Must be original, factually accurate, and must not infringe on copyright material. All completed applications, documentation and completed essays should be mailed flat in a 9 x 12 envelope to: COAG Scholarship, COAG, PO Box 153, Hull, GA 30646. All applications must be postmarked or hand delivered no later than **March 13, 2020** or they will be deemed ineligible. Applications mailed to any other address will not be forwarded or considered.

**Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.**
Every year the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority awards scholarships to area seniors. The students must attend high schools in Butts, Lamar, Pike, Spalding or Upson County. Other requirements are: GPA of at least 2.5, involvement in school and community activities, intentions of attending a college or university, and a good moral character. Please see Mrs. Bailey in guidance for an application. The application must be typed. Deadline for completed applications is **March 27, 2020**.
Dissipating Disparities, Inc. Scholarship
Dissipating Disparities, Inc. is an invigoratingly upbeat non-profit organization based in Thomaston, GA. The mission of the organization is to eliminate disparities and empower our community by bringing awareness, acceptance, and action to important aspects such as education, health and wellness and financial literacy. DDI’s founder, a Thomaston native, felt there is a need to give back to the community in order to pay it forward. The DDI scholarship is one of the many ways DDI plans to give back in order to help our communities progress by uplifting and supporting our youth.

Eligibility
- GPA of 2.75 or better
- Confirmation of college/university acceptance or enrollment into post-graduate opportunity (military, Peace Corps, Job Corps, etc.)
- Complete application

Applications may be picked up from Mrs. Bailey in guidance. All applications must be submitted by email by April 10th.

FAFSA
Every senior should complete a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). This application enables you to apply for any federal money that you may be able to receive. The website www.studentaid.ed.gov/completefafsa or www.fafsa.ed.gov contains detailed instructions for every question on the FAFSA. The online application offers the applicant instructions, help screens, and even live online help from a customer service representative. This form also needs to be completed in order to apply for the HOPE Scholarship. The school will not be receiving paper FAFSA forms. Students will be able to obtain a paper FAFSA by calling the Federal Student Aid Information Center at 1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243). Students may request up to three copies of the paper application and should receive their FAFSAs in 3-7 business days.

Flint River Daylight Lodge No. 761
Flint River Daylight Lodge is pleased to report that they will offer a $1,000 scholarship to a deserving student entering college in the fall. You must meet the following criteria in order to apply:
1. You must now be a high school student in good standing at your school and targeted to graduate this spring.
2. You must have been accepted for the 2020 Freshman Class of the college, university, or technical college you plan to attend this fall; and you must enroll this Fall. You must provide a copy of your acceptance letter before receiving the scholarship award.
3. You must complete your first academic (freshman) year, and you must have earned at least a 2.0 (“C”) average at the end of your first year. If you are the scholarship recipient, you hereby agree to furnish the Lodge a copy of your grade report at the end of the Spring Semester or Quarter, 2021. Send it to the Lodge Secretary at the above address no later than June 15, 2021. You further agree to refund the full $1,000.00 scholarship award to the Lodge if you do not meet these criteria or if you fail to report to the Lodge by June 15, 2021.
4. You must be able to demonstrate financial need for this scholarship. You may use a separate sheet in the form of a letter or a statement to the Lodge.
5. You must submit your completed application, criteria sheet and attachments to Mrs. Bailey in guidance no later than **March 31, 2020**. Please pick up an application from Mrs. Bailey in guidance.

**French Baron Cason and Thomas H. Cason Memorial Scholarship**
The purpose of this scholarship is to provide a college scholarship annually to an Upson-Lee senior who demonstrates great financial need as well as academic potential. Scholarship applicants must be graduating seniors of Upson-Lee High School and have a minimum 3.0 GPA. The Scholarship is being managed by The Community Foundation of Central Georgia and information can be found on the Foundation’s website at [www.cfcga.org/](http://www.cfcga.org/). Paper applications will not be accepted. Please complete your application online by 12:00 p.m. on **March 15, 2020**. Award winners will be announced at the Upson-Lee High School Senior Honor’s Night.

**Heart of Georgia Board of Realtors (HOGBOR)**
The Heart of Georgia Board of Realtors is giving away a general $500 college scholarship to a graduating high school senior for the 2019-2020 school year. There are no specific requirements (such as a real estate connection) for this scholarship. The application is due **April 2, 2020**. The application can be emailed to robinwhearn@gmail.com You can pick up an application in the guidance office.

**James Argroves Memorial Scholarship**
To apply for the James Argroves Memorial Scholarship, students should pick up an application from the Guidance Office. Completed applications are due to Mrs. Bailey by **April 1st**. Students must have a minimum of a 3.2 GPA for consideration.

**Jimmy Freeman Memorial Scholarship**
A scholarship has been established in memory of Jimmy Freeman. Scholarship applicants must be graduating seniors of Upson-Lee High School who will attend University of Georgia in the fall. Please see Mrs. Bailey in guidance for an application. The application is due by **April 2nd**.

**Lindsey Orthodontics Scholarship**
**Requirements:**
- You MUST be a current or past patient of Lindsey Orthodontics.
- A 2019 graduating high school senior.
- Minimum GPA of 3.0
(Please include a copy of your high school transcript from your school counselor.)
Scholarship amount to be awarded is $500.00
(Up to 12 Scholarships will be awarded)
Please see Mrs. Bailey for a copy of the application. Deadline for applications is **April 6, 2020**.
Please mail to:
LINDSEY ORTHODONTICS
ATTN: SCHOLARSHIP
120 West College Street
Suite A
Griffin, GA 30224
Medcalf Music Scholarship
The Medcalf family moved to Thomaston, Georgia, in 1955; and, for over forty years, their name was synonymous with music. Their love and expertise in music was shared with band and piano students, and the Medcalf Music Shop was where you went for any musical need you might have. This scholarship is established in their memory, hoping that it can continue their legacy of helping students who wish to participate in music studies. This is a $4,000, non-renewable scholarship paid to the college/university that the student will be attending.

Selection Criteria
1. Applicant must enroll in college the fall semester following his/her high school graduation.
2. Applicant must be a senior in good standing at Upson Lee High School.
3. Applicant must have a B average or better.
4. Applicant must have participated in the Upson-Lee High School Band Program.
5. Applicant must have a recommendation from the Director or Assistant Director of Bands.
6. Applicant must write a 150-500 word essay on one of the following:
   How has participation in band improved your high school experience?
   How has participation in band influenced your college &/or career choice?
   How has participation in band helped you through a significant hardship?

Completed application must be received by Mrs. Bailey no later than April 15.

Mike Salter Memorial Scholarship
This scholarship is being offered to a senior who has participated in the youth soccer program. A minimum of three years participation in the recreation soccer program is required. In addition, a minimum GPA of 2.5, participation in community service and extracurricular activities, a copy of high school transcript, and a one-page typed autobiography are required. Applications may be obtained from Mrs. Bailey or on Thomaston-Upson Recreation website www.thomastonupsonrec.com and must be turned in to Mindy Daniel at the Civic Center. Deadline for completed applications, autobiography & transcript is 5:00 pm on April 15th. Winner will be announced at Upson-Lee High School Senior Honors Night.

Retired Teachers Association Scholarship
Any student planning to pursue a degree in education should come by the guidance office to sign up for consideration of this scholarship. The deadline to sign up is March 27th.

Shirley Williams Walker Academic Scholarship
Requirements:
INFORMATION & INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLYING FOR THE SHIRLEY WILLIAMS WALKER ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIP 1. To be considered, a complete application packet MUST be submitted by April 20, 2020. 2. Omission of any part of the application will eliminate the application from consideration. 3. Applicant must be planning to become an education major and currently have a minimum of a 3.0 cumulative Grade Point Average on a 4.0 scale. Applicant must be actively involved in extracurricular activities and verifiable community service. 4. Parent/Guardian of applicant must sign Disbursement of Scholarship Funds Agreement. 5. Academic scholarships will be awarded upon verification of enrollment from your college. Verification entails an enrollment form completed by the institution with the Registrar’s signature and official seal of the institution or a copy of Fall schedule. Scholarship checks will be made payable to the college/university. Please see Mrs. Bailey for a copy of the application.
**Thomaston Sertoma Club Scholarship**
Thomaston Sertoma Club will be awarding a scholarship to a student that is or has been served through the Speech/Hearing Impairment program. Please see Mrs. Bailey for an application. Applications should be turned in to Mrs. Bailey by **April 17th**.

**Upson-Lee Athletic Booster Club Scholarship (deadline has been extended to March 13th)**
Upson-Lee Athletic Booster Club is awarding a scholarship. (payment will be made directly to college). Eligibility criteria for the scholarship are the following:
- Upson-Lee athlete accepted to any college and enrolled in fall semester following high school graduation.
- Valid athletic programs are printed on the booster club’s annual membership drive brochure. Applicants will need to complete an application and submit a typed 1-page essay detailing “How has participating in athletics at Upson-Lee benefitted me and helped prepare me for college?” Seniors need to see Mrs. Bailey for application or visit ULHS website under “Scholarship Information”. All applications with essays need to be returned to Mrs. Bailey in guidance by **March 13th**. A committee will select a winner and announce at ULHS Honors Program.

**SENIORS:**
ALL SENIORS/PARENTS OF STUDENTS GOING TO COLLEGE SHOULD COMPLETE THE FAFSA!! THIS DOCUMENT IS CRITICAL IN APPLYING FOR ALL TYPES OF FINANCIAL AID.

Reminders:
**All males between the age of 18 and 25 need to register with Selective Services at www.sss.gov before completing the FAFSA application.**
**Make sure you are up to date on college applications. You should apply NOW if you have not already done so. Check with Admissions Offices for Open House Dates.**
**Check with the college’s financial aid office to make sure you have completed all required paperwork and ask about additional scholarships. See your high school guidance counselor if you have any questions.**
**If you need transcripts sent to a college or to a scholarship organization, please remember to supply envelopes and postage to guidance.**
**Any senior athlete who plans to play a sport in college should register with NCAA. The website for registration is www.eligibilitycenter.org. There is a registration fee. If you have previously used a fee waiver for the SAT or ACT you may be eligible for a waiver for NCAA. See your counselor for more information.**
**If you receive a letter informing you that you are a scholarship or award winner, please bring the letter to Mrs. Bailey in guidance. We must have written verification in order for you to be recognized at Honor’s Night.**