SCHOLARSHIPS

A scholarship is a monetary award which, like a grant, is not required to be repaid. However, it is usually criteria specific and reflects the values and purposes of the donor. It is most commonly merit, need or talent based and student, career, institution or skill specific. The list below contains scholarships typically awarded at SOTC, providing funds are available.

Finding and applying for scholarships can be a daunting task. A good place to start is by asking local institutions and organizations and searching state education related websites such as www.okcareertech.org and www.okcollegestart.org.

To apply for a scholarship at SOTC, you must first complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). Then contact the Financial Aid Office or go to the link posted on our Financial Aid webpage. Listed here are scholarships that we typically offer.

- **Otha Grimes Scholarship**
- **Noble Foundation Scholarship**
- **Henry Bridge Scholarship**

**Otha Grimes Scholarship**
The Otha Grimes/Francis Tuttle Memorial Scholarships are administered by the Oklahoma Foundation for Career and Technology Education. These scholarships are available to adult students enrolled in a program at a Career and Technology Center. The Financial Aid Office will announce the availability of applications for Fall and Spring awards (usually in August and January). All applications are reviewed by a committee and selected applications are submitted to the Foundation for consideration. Award amounts are determined by the Foundation based on need for allowable expenses.

**Noble Foundation Scholarship**
The Noble Foundation of Ardmore provides scholarship funds to assist students with unmet need. SOTC awards funds to students in the Fall to help with tuition and throughout the year until funds are exhausted. Awards are $200 with the exception of one award to a student in the Licensed Practical Nursing Program in the amount of $1000. The scholarship application is posted on our Financial Aid webpage.

**Henry Bridge Scholarship**
Henry Bridge Memorial Trust provides scholarship funds to assist students with unmet need. SOTC awards funds to students in the Spring to help with tuition and/or books and throughout the year until funds are exhausted. Criteria for eligibility include need, grades and attendance. Award amounts vary depending upon unmet need. The scholarship application is posted on our Financial Aid webpage.

**Oklahoma’s Promise Scholarship**
Oklahoma’s Promise (Oklahoma Higher Learning Access Program or OHLAP) is made available by the Oklahoma State Legislature through the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education (OSRHE). Students are required to attend 12 clock hours per week in an eligible Career Training program and make satisfactory academic progress. Students must also be co-enrolled for college credits toward a degree program at one of the community colleges. Awards are based on full-time or half-time enrollment. Students must apply during the eighth, ninth, or tenth grades of high school. To apply for Oklahoma’s Promise, students should visit with their high school counselor or go to www.okhighered.org/okpromise.
**Physician’s Manpower Scholarship**

Physician’s Manpower scholarship is awarded annually in July to nursing students only. Students applying for the scholarship are required to sign a contract with the State of Oklahoma one year upon completion of the Nursing program. Scholarship applications are available in the financial aid office or in the Health Career’s building.