

Scholarship Guide for High SAT Scorers

Introduction

Achieving a high SAT score can open doors to **merit-based scholarships** offered by colleges, private organizations, and foundations. This guide provides a list of **scholarships for high SAT scorers**, eligibility criteria, and application tips to help maximize your opportunities.

1. Merit-Based Scholarships from Universities

Many colleges offer **automatic scholarships** for students with top SAT scores. Below are some well-known institutions that reward high-achieving students:

College/University	Scholarship Name	SAT Score Requirement	Award Amount
University of Alabama	Presidential Scholarship	1360+	Full Tuition
Arizona State University	New American University Scholarship	1300+	Up to \$15,000 per year
Baylor University	Regents' Gold Scholarship	1450+	Up to \$25,000 per year
University of Kentucky	Presidential Scholarship	1400+	Full Tuition
University of Miami	President's Scholarship	1350+	Up to \$28,000 per year

Tip: Check each university's scholarship webpage for the latest requirements, as SAT score cutoffs may change.

2. National Merit-Based Scholarships

If you scored exceptionally well on the **PSAT/NMSQT** and **SAT**, you may be eligible for **National Merit Scholarships**:

- **National Merit Scholarship Program** – Awards range from \$2,500 to full tuition, based on PSAT/SAT scores and application strength.
 - **Coca-Cola Scholars Program** – Awards **\$20,000** to students with outstanding academic achievements.
 - **Jack Kent Cooke Foundation Scholarship** – Provides up to **\$40,000 per year** for students with high SAT scores and financial need.
 - **Dell Scholars Program** – Offers **\$20,000 plus a laptop** for high-achieving, low-income students.
 - **Horatio Alger Scholarship** – Awards between **\$10,000 - \$25,000** for students overcoming adversity with strong academics.
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3. Private & Corporate Scholarships

Many private organizations and corporations offer **SAT-based scholarships**:

- **Burger King Scholars Program** – Awards up to **\$50,000** to students with strong academic performance.
 - **The Gates Scholarship** – Covers **full tuition** for exceptional minority students.
 - **Elks National Foundation Most Valuable Student Scholarship** – Offers **\$1,000 - \$12,500 per year** to students with high SAT scores.
 - **Ron Brown Scholar Program** – Provides up to **\$40,000** to African American students with leadership potential.
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4. Tips for Winning Scholarships

- ✓ **Apply Early** – Many scholarships have fall deadlines, so start applications **by junior or early senior year**.
 - ✓ **Write a Strong Essay** – Many scholarships require a **personal statement** or **essay**—showcase your unique experiences.
 - ✓ **Get Strong Letters of Recommendation** – Ask teachers, counsellors, or mentors **well in advance**.
 - ✓ **Meet All Deadlines** – Late applications are **not considered**, so stay organized.
 - ✓ **Look for Local Scholarships** – Community organizations, businesses, and nonprofits offer smaller scholarships that add up.
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Final Thoughts

A high SAT score not only helps with college admissions but also unlocks **valuable financial aid opportunities**. Apply for as many scholarships as possible to reduce college costs and minimize student debt.

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