

## **SEABREEZE SCHOLARSHIP NOTEBOOK**

There are literally millions of scholarships and essay contests available to help college students pay for college and almost as many ways to try and find them. Internet searches, private search companies, college financial aid offices and parent's employer's are just a few of the ways that a student can access these millions of scholarship sources.

The Seabreeze High School Scholarship Notebook is also one of the ways that our students can search for money for college. Throughout the year here in the Student Services office we keep a notebook filled with all of the scholarship and essay contest applications that are sent to us or made available to us here at Seabreeze. They include both local and national level scholarships. This data base is not intended to be all inclusive but is designed to make available the scholarships that our students typically have a chance to earn. This list will include many local ones which may not show up on the data bases of the national scholarship search engines.

Most scholarships have specific criteria as to who can apply and the local ones are no different. There are some scholarships and essay contests that only Seabreeze students can apply for, others that are only for Ormond Beach or Daytona area students while others may be only for students from Volusia County. Many other scholarships may be available to any student in the country that meets particular criteria. All else being equal, obviously the smaller the numbers of students who can apply for a particular scholarship, the better the odds of winning that scholarship become.

While the application process can be difficult and time consuming, just completing the application doesn't mean that the student will receive it. A student may apply for 20 scholarships and not receive any - just applying doesn't guarantee anything. **There is only one guarantee in the scholarship process – if you don't apply for it you will not get it.**

### **Seabreeze Scholarship Notebook Procedures for Use-**

- 1) The notebook is in Student Services, and has the original applications in it in the order that we receive them. This notebook is not to be removed from the office. Students may access it any day during lunch or break. Parents may make an appointment to access it during the day.
- 2) As you review the information and find an application you would like a copy of, fill out the scholarship request form and list the number of the scholarship on the form. A copy will be made of the application and then will be delivered to you.
- 3) **Be aware of deadlines!** This is the real world – late applications will not be accepted. You are responsible for knowing the deadlines and meeting them.
- 4) Check the notebook regularly – new applications will be added as they come in – typically we add new ones weekly throughout year.
- 5) If you have questions about any of the applications- how to fill them out, where to turn them in, what the expectations are, deadlines, attachments, etc., etc., make sure you ask Mr. Austin or Mrs. Taylor – we are here to help.