

Students with disabilities often have trouble finding ways to pay for school and school related costs. There are many special scholarships and financial aid opportunities intended for particular students, such as minority students, those studying a particular field or applicants with a notable academic record. There are also special financial aid and scholarship opportunities for students with disabilities. The purpose of this guide is to focus on these financial aid opportunities and discuss how to take advantage of them.

One of the best ways to pay for college is with a scholarship. Scholarships are offered by private companies, organizations, schools and more, and the funds do not have to be paid back. Here are some of the best scholarship options for students with disabilities.

[General Disabilities](#)

[Autism Spectrum](#)

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[Physical Disabilities or Chronic Illness](#)

[Speech](#)

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General Disabilities

This category of scholarships is for students living with one or more documented disabilities.

[The Louie Family Foundation Scholarship](#)

Organization: The Kim and Harold Louie Family Foundation

Amount: Varies

Deadline: March 31

Scholarships for Students with Special Needs

This scholarship is for high school students planning to attend college or university and have shown exceptional levels of achievement. Students with a documented serious disability receive preference.

[Elastic Band Co. Scholarship](#)

Organization: Elastic Band Co.

Amount: \$1,000

Deadline: March 31

The Elastic Band Co. wants to promote students to enter the fashion and/or entrepreneurship fields, especially those who are minority students or have an ADA recognized disability.

[AAHD Frederick J. Krause Scholarship on Health and Disability](#)

Organization: American Association on Health and Disability

Amount: \$1,000

Deadline: November 15

This is for students suffering from a disability who are in college or graduate school in order to study a field relating to health and disability concerns.

[BMO Capital Markets Lime Connect Equity through Education Scholarship for Students with Disabilities](#)

Organization: Lime Connect

Amount: \$10,000

Deadline: Varies

Undergraduate or graduate students with disabilities studying a business, engineering, math or science discipline can apply for this prestigious scholarship.

[John Weir Academic Scholarship for College-Bound Seniors with Disabilities](#)

Organization: Ann Arbor Center for Independent Living

Amount: Varies

Deadline: April 1