Scholarships presented in both online, paper format

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Laramie County Community College offers over 450 scholarships available for students. There are around 380-400 scholarships available to be applied for online, but 50 or more require a paper application.

Vito Milatzo, financial aid technician for LCCC, said the scholarships requiring paper applications are prone to have fewer applicants than the online scholarships.

Milatzo said the reason paper applications are more frequently unapplied for is due to the extra steps they require. Some need scholarship essays and even letters of recommendations to accom-

pany the applications. These factors could deter students from applying.

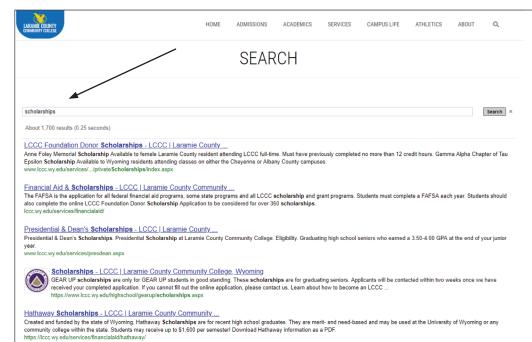
According to
Milatzo, previously
all scholarships were
in a paper format,
and they are working
towards making all of
them available online.
Currently there are
presentations in the
library that demonstrate how to write
scholarship essays to
help students apply
for these scholarships.

Milatzo said that the college wants to expose people to these scholarships, and the donors who supply them want to give this money to students. Currently the paper applications can be found at the Student Hub in the Clay Pathfinder building in the scholarship rack. The window for students to apply for scholarships for the upcoming academic year opens Dec. 1 of each year and ends April 1.

To stay informed about all of the scholarships LCCC has to offer, Milatzo said that students should be aware of the platforms highlighting the COLS 1000 course as a guide. He also said he would encourage students to ask their instructors and be engaged in Eagles Eye to keep their eyes out for scholarship opportunities.

"Don't sell yourself short," Milatzo said.

Milatzo says there are many opportunities to acquire scholarships, and less than 1 percent of them have difficult criteria to meet.



Searchin' for the dough:

Students can visit LCCC's website and type scholarships in the search engine to find multiple scholarship opportunites online. There are also paper applications located at the Student Hub in the Clay Pathfinder building.

