

# Introducing RISE Scholarship Foundation, Inc.!

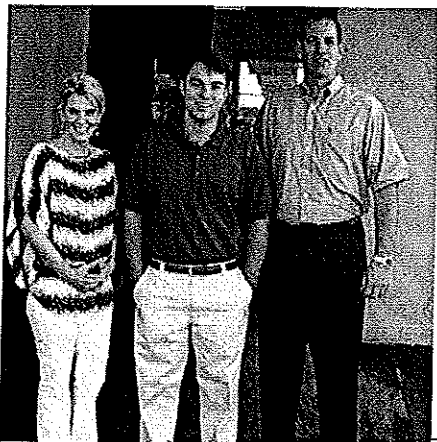
## Rise Scholarship Foundation, Inc.

Established in 2010 to reward students with learning disabilities who have shown determination, self advocacy, and success in overcoming their difficulties.



The mission of Rise Scholarship Foundation, Inc. is to recognize and reward students with learning disabilities who have overcome learning challenges, achieved academic success in their formative school years, and will continue their educational journey by pursuing an undergraduate degree at a college or University.

### Congratulations to our 2011 Scholarship Recipients!



Taylor Heffner (center) pictured with RISE founders Jena and Steve Young. Taylor received a \$2,500 scholarship and is a freshman at Andrew College in Cuthbert, GA.

[Check out our website](#)



Dear School Counselors,

We are writing to introduce you to a scholarship opportunity for students with learning disabilities. We are hopeful that you will share this with your high school seniors.

Rise Scholarship Foundation, Inc. was established in 2010 to reward students with learning disabilities who have shown determination, self advocacy, and success in overcoming their difficulties. Rise aims to offer scholarships and to raise awareness of learning disabilities.

In the spring, a recipient will be chosen who will receive \$2,500 to the college he attends. Last year, we were able to award three deserving students a \$2,500.00 award. The scholarship recipients are featured in our spring newsletter which is available on our website.

Please feel free to contact us for further information, or if you have any questions!

Sincerely,  
Rise Scholarship Foundation, Inc.

[Click here to access the 2012 Scholarship Application](#)

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"Be persistent, and you'll surprise yourself by how much you are capable of, and how you are so much more than the label of a learning disability."

**Melissa Cobb**

*college freshman & RISE volunteer*

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Financial Aid Information for  
Students with Learning Disabilities

### ORGANIZATIONS

National Center for Learning Disabilities  
381 Park Avenue South, Suite 1401  
New York, NY 10016  
(212) 545-7510 or (888) 575-7373 [www.nclcd.org](http://www.nclcd.org)

The Association for Higher Education and Disability (AHEAD)  
107 Commerce Center Dr. Suite 204  
Huntersville, NC 28087  
(704) 947-7779 [www.ahead.org](http://www.ahead.org)

### PUBLICATIONS

Financial Aid for the Disabled and Their Families 2008-2010, by Gail A. Schlacter and R. Weber  
(Reference Services Press, 2008) ISBN: 1588411834.

Dollars For College: The Quick Guide to Financial Aid for Students with Disabilities. Contact: Garrett  
Park Press PO Box 190, Garrett Park, MD 20896 Telephone: (301) 946-2553.

Directory of College Facilities and Services for People with Disabilities. Fourth Edition (1996).  
ISBN: 0897748948. This Directory is published by Oryx Press, 4041 North Central Ave., Suite 700,  
Phoenix, AZ 85012-3397. Softcover, 392 pages. \$125. Also available in an 8 ½ by 11 inch case  
binding for \$115 in North America. Call toll free 1-800-279-6799 or fax toll free 1-800-279-4663. It  
is also available used from <http://www.amazon.com>. This 423 page Directory contains an index of  
institutions which offer special financial aid programs.

### INTERNET SEARCHES

#### Greatschools

<http://www.greatschools.net/cgi-bin/showarticle/2259>

#### FinAid! The Smartstudent Guide to Financial Aid

<http://www.finaid.org/otheraid/ld.phtml>

#### FAFSA On the Web

<http://www.ed.gov>

(800) 433-3243 or (319) 337-5665 TTY: 1-800-730-8913

#### College Board Home Page

<http://www.collegeboard.com>

#### U.S. Department of Education Student Loan Information:

<http://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/index.jsp>

### SCHOLARSHIP AND FINANCIAL AID RESOURCES

Scholarships specifically designated for students with disabilities are extremely limited. Students are urged to read all scholarship and financial aid publications and to pursue the scholarships available for qualities other than disability. Listed below are organizations that offer the few disability-specific scholarships that have come to our attention.

Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf  
and Hard of Hearing  
3417 Volta Place, NW  
Washington, DC 20007-2778  
(202) 337-5220/TTY (202) 337-5221  
[http://www.agbell.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?p=College\\_Scholarship\\_Awards](http://www.agbell.org/DesktopDefault.aspx?p=College_Scholarship_Awards)

American Council of the Blind  
1155 15<sup>th</sup> ST, NW, Suite 1004  
Washington, DC 20005  
(800) 424-8666 or (202) 467-5081  
<http://www.acb.org/scholarship-info2006.html>  
(limited to individuals who are blind or visually impaired)

American Foundation for the Blind  
11 Penn Plaza, Suite 300  
New York, NY 10001  
(800) 232-5463 or (212) 502-7661  
<http://www.aftb.org/scholarships.asp>

Association for Education and Rehabilitation of  
the Blind and Visually Impaired  
1703 N Beauregard St., Suite 440  
Alexandria, VA 22311  
(877) 492-2708 (toll free) or (703) 671-4500  
<http://www.aerbvi.org>

Central Intelligence Agency  
Office of Public Affairs  
Washington, DC 20505  
(703) 482-0623  
<http://www.cia.gov/careers/jobs/view-all-jobs/undergraduate-scholarship-program.html>

Council of Citizens with Low Vision International  
(CCLV)  
1155 15<sup>th</sup> Street NW, Suite 1004  
Washington, DC 20005  
(800) 733-2258  
<http://www.cclvi.org/scholars.htm>

Electronic Industries Foundation (EIF)  
2500 Wilson BLVD, Suite 210  
Arlington, VA 22201  
(703) 907-7400  
<http://www.eiafoundation.org>

The Yes I Can! Foundation for Exceptional  
Children  
1110 North Glebe RD, Suite 300  
Arlington, VA 22201-5704  
(800) 224-6830  
<http://www.cec.sped.org>

The Geoffrey Foundation  
PO Box 1112, Ocean Ave.  
Kennebunkport, ME 04046  
(207) 967-5798  
(limited to students who are deaf or hard of hearing  
and utilizing an auditory/verbal approach to  
communication)

The National Clearinghouse on Postsecondary  
Education for Students with Disabilities (HEATH)  
2134 G Street, NW  
Washington, DC 20052-0001  
(800) 544-3284  
<http://www.heath.gwu.edu>

National Federation of the Blind  
1800 Johnson Street  
Baltimore, MD 21230  
(410) 659-9314  
<http://www.nfb.org/scholarships>

The President's Committee on Employment of  
People with Disabilities  
1331 F Street NW, Suite 300  
Washington, DC 20004  
(202) 376-6200

Recording for the Blind and Dyslexic (RFB&D)  
20 Roszel Rd.  
Princeton, NJ 08540  
(866) 732-3585  
<http://www.rfb.org/membership.htm>  
(limited to members who are blind, visually impaired  
or who have learning disabilities)

Venture Clubs Student Aid Award  
Venture Clubs are part of the Soroptimist  
International of American organization:  
<http://www.soroptimist.org>  
Apply to the Venture Club in your region of residence

Very Special Arts Young Soloists Program  
(an affiliate of the John F. Kennedy Center For The  
Performing Arts)  
VSA Arts  
818 Connecticut Ave. NW, Suite 600  
Washington, DC 20006  
<http://www.vsarts.org/x1865.xml>

Colleges and universities may offer specific  
scholarships for students with disabilities. Students  
should contact the Financial Aid office at each  
school to which they are applying to find out about  
such disability-related aid.