SCHOLARSHIPS.... THREE LEVELS:

- 1) National: www.fastweb.com
- 2) **University:** Get a printout of important deadline dates; especially scholarship consideration date.
 - UNR/UNLV: February 1st
 - WNC: April 1st
- 3) **Local:** DHS scholarship office. Senior year. Some overlap with the above.

Preparing for your senior year:

1) Visit www.dcsd.k12.nv.us/dhs. Go to Scholarship to get started. All information covered tonight is at this website.

Your completed CAP needs to include:

General application

Copy of transcripts

Autobiography

Two letter of recommendation.

- 2) Fill out your FAFSA form. Online federal application for student aid at: www.fafsa.ed.gov. Get your pin number at www.pin.ed.gov. Jan. 1st is the earliest you can submit. First come first served on need based aid. Some state funded colleges/universities require the FAFSA be filled out for distribution of funds, (scholarships/aid), regardless of qualification for funds.
- 3) Financial Aid on NCIS at <u>www.nvcis.intocareers.org</u>.

User Name: ncis Password: Nevada

The financial aid tab has scholarships associated with a particular field of study.

- 4) Rigor of course load
- 5) Grade point average
- 6) Community service...this is huge!

What Parents Need to Know:

- 1) Local donors pick the recipient, (Their \$, Their choice)
- 2) There are no guarantees.
- 3) DHS Scholarship Committee utilizes the *donor's* criteria for selection of those scholarships that are designated for review.