

For years I have researched fun, educational enrichment programs and scholarships that my children, their friends and others participated in – many at no or minimal cost. If there was a substantial cost, I was able to negotiate a lesser cost, even when I was told it could not be done.

During this period, I assisted families in obtaining more than 10 million in scholarship dollars, not only for my children, but for other students as well. This included scholarships for private middle and high schools, travel abroad, and worldwide academic/enrichment programs like leadership programs in New York, California, and Congressional programs in Washington, DC and abroad.

The principles and information in this book apply whether your child is in the United States or in another country, no matter what stage in school they are in.

I have been an invited speaker at churches, sororities, social organizations, and other non-profit events providing parents and student's information about these opportunities. This book is the result of many friends asking me to write a book about all the programs I have counseled them through over the years.

I believe in educating students to be global citizens and passionate lifelong learners. I want to see our youth travel the world, in person or virtually, to experience other people, other cultures, and share the average American life in the United States. I am not referring to just the headlines, which do not represent most Americans. I believe the world is our playground, our classroom. Take advantage of it, get out and see it, and experience it through peace, love, and humanity.