

Florida Bright Futures Scholarships 2019



Florida Academic Scholars Award (FAS)

To Earn FAS:

- 3.5 weighted GPA in the required 16 college preparatory credits calculated by Bright Futures (not rounded)
 - 4 English (3 with substantial writing)
 - 4 Mathematics (Algebra I and above)
 - 3 Natural Sciences (2 with substantial lab)
 - 3 Social Science
 - 2 World Language (in the same language)
- 16 Credits - May use up to 2 additional credits from courses in these academic areas and/or AP, IB or AICE fine arts courses to raise the GPA.
- 100 hours of community service – as approved by the district or private high school
- 1290 SAT or 29 ACT (excluding the writing section)
- Must maintain a 3.0 GPA for renewal each year

Other ways to qualify for FAS:

All options must include 100 community service hours

- National Merit or Achievement Scholars and Finalists
- National Hispanic Scholars
- IB / AICE Diploma Recipients (based on exams taken prior to high school graduation)
- Complete IB / AICE curriculum with 1290 SAT / 29 ACT
- Home Education, registered with District Grades 11 & 12 with a 1290 SAT / 29 ACT.
- GED with the GPA, test score and coursework requirements.
- 3 year Standard College Preparatory Program meeting the coursework, GPA and test score requirements.

- Florida Academic Scholars (FAS) will receive an award amount equal to 100% of tuition and applicable fees at a public postsecondary institution, or comparable amount at a nonpublic institution.
- FAS will receive an additional amount of \$300 per semester for textbooks and educational expenses.
- FAS will receive an award amount equal to 100% of tuition and applicable fees at a public postsecondary institution, or comparable at a nonpublic institution to **attend classes during the summer 2019 term.**

Florida Medallion Scholars Award (FMS)

To Earn FMS:

- 3.0 weighted GPA in the required 16 college preparatory credits calculated by Bright Futures (not rounded)
 - 4 English (3 with substantial writing)
 - 4 Mathematics (Algebra I and above)
 - 3 Natural Sciences (2 with substantial lab)
 - 3 Social Science
 - 2 World Language (in the same language)
- 16 Credits - May use up to 2 additional credits from courses in these academic areas and/or AP, IB or AICE fine arts courses to raise the GPA.
- 75 hours of community service – as approved by the district or private high school
- 1170 SAT or 26 ACT (excluding the writing section)
- Must maintain a 2.75 GPA for renewal each year

Other ways to qualify for FMS:

All options must include 75 community service hours

- National Merit, Achievement or Hispanic Scholars and finalists
- Complete IB / AICE curriculum with 1170 SAT / 26 ACT
- IB / AICE Diploma Recipient (based on exams taken prior to high school graduation)
- Home Education, registered with the District for Grades 11 & 12 with a 1170 SAT or 26 ACT
- GED with the GPA, test score and coursework requirements.
- 3 year Standard College Preparatory Program meeting the coursework, GPA and test score requirements.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- Apply during your last year of high school
- Make the Grades
- Earn the Test Scores
- Graduate
- Not be found guilty of, or plead no contest to, a felony charge.
- Be a Florida resident and a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen, as determined by your postsecondary institution.
- Pursue an undergraduate degree at an eligible Florida college, or enroll in a postsecondary adult vocational certificate program.
- Begin using the scholarship funds within two years of your high school graduation. If you enlist directly in the military after graduation, your two-year period begins upon the date of separation from active duty.
- Enroll for at least six non-remedial semester hours (or the equivalent in quarter or clock hours) per term.

APPLY EARLY!
October 1st!

Bright Futures Applications and Information are available at
www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org

Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars Award (GSV)

Requirements to earn GSV:

- 3.0 weighted GPA in the required 16 college preparatory credits calculated by Bright Futures (not rounded)
 - 4 English
 - 4 Mathematics (including Algebra I)
 - 3 Natural Science (2 with lab component)
 - 3 Social Science (U.S. Hist., World Hist., U.S. Govt. and Economics)
 - 1 Fine or Practical Art
 - 1 Physical Education (to include integration of health)
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- 16 Credits
- 30 hours of community service – as approved by the district or private high school
- 3.5 unweighted GPA in 3 vocational credits in one vocational program, taken over at least 2 academic years.
- Test Scores (Minimum section scores in one test type must be met):
 - SAT = 440 Math 440 Critical Reading
 - ACT = 17 English, 19 Reading, 19 Math
 - PERT = 106 Reading, 103 Writing, 114 Math
- Must maintain a 2.75 GPA in college.

Other ways to qualify for GSV:

All options must include a 3.5 unweighted GPA in a minimum of 3 vocational credits in one vocational program, minimum test scores listed earlier, and community service hour requirement

- 3-year Career Prep diploma
 - 4 English (3 with substantial writing)
 - 4 Mathematics (including Algebra I)
 - 3 Natural Sciences (2 with lab component)
 - 3 Social Science (U.S. Hist, U.S. Gov, World Hist & Econ)
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 - 14 Credits (3.0 weighted GPA in these credits)
- 3-year College Prep diploma
 - 4 English (3 with substantial writing)
 - 4 Mathematics (Algebra I and above)
 - 3 Natural Sciences (2 with lab component)
 - 3 Social Science (U.S. Hist, U.S. Gov, World Hist & Econ)
 - 2 World Language (same language)
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 - 16 Credits (3.0 weighted GPA in these credits)

Gold Seal CAPE Scholar Award (GSC)

Florida high school students who wish to qualify for the Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars award must meet the following initial eligibility requirements:

- Meet the General Requirements for Bright Futures;
- Earn a minimum of 5 postsecondary credit hours through CAPE industry certifications which articulate for college credit; and
- Complete 30 service hours.

Check your status today!!!!
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Award Amounts

Florida Academic Scholars (FAS) will receive an award to cover 100% of tuition and applicable fees and \$300 for both fall and spring semesters for additional educational expenses. Students attending a public institution will have tuition and applicable fees covered. Students attending a nonpublic institution will receive a comparable amount as noted in the Private Award Chart. FAS students can receive an award during the summer sessions to cover tuition and applicable fees, beginning with the 2018 summer term.

Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS) will receive an award to cover 75% of tuition and applicable fees. Students attending a public institution will have tuition and applicable fees covered. Students attending a nonpublic institution will receive a comparable amount as noted in the Private Award Chart. FMS students can receive an award during the summer sessions to cover tuition and applicable fees, beginning with the 2019 summer term.

The applicable fees for both FAS and FMS include activity and service fee, health fee, athletic fee, financial aid fee, capital improvement fee, campus access/transportation fee, technology fee and tuition differential fee.

Other award recipients will receive a fixed cost per credit hour based on award level, institution type, and credit type as outlined in the table below.

**2018-19 Bright Futures Scholarship
Per Hour Award Amounts**

	Credit Hour Award		Clock Hour Award
	Semester	Quarter	
Gold Seal Vocational Scholars (GSV) & Gold Seal CAPE Scholars (GSC)			
Career Certificate Program (PSAV)	\$39	\$26	\$1.30
Applied Technology Diploma Program (ATD)	\$39	\$26	\$1.30
Technical Degree Education Program (AS, AAS, CCC)	\$48	\$32	\$1.60
Bachelors of Science (BS)*	\$48	\$32	
Bachelors of Applied Science (BAS)*	\$48	\$32	

* GSC recipients who earn a qualifying A.S. or A.A.S degree may receive an award toward a qualifying B.S. or B.A.S. degree.

A disbursed Florida Academic Scholar in each district is awarded an additional per credit hour award for fall and spring. Academic Scholars who attend in the fall following high school graduation are ranked on the product of their Bright Futures weighted GPA and their best college entrance exam score.

2018-19 Academic Top Scholars

	Semester	Quarter	Clock
Per Hour Award Amounts	\$44	\$29	\$1.47

IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY

It is your responsibility to know and meet the requirements of the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program before high school graduation. Prior to submitting an Initial Student Florida Financial Aid Application, you should report all changes to your school counselor in order to update your transcript.

After submitting an application, you will create a PIN (Personal Identification Number), update your demographic information (on your original application), as necessary and monitor your financial aid recipient history (award status). It is your responsibility to provide your correct name, address, date of birth and social security number, and inform Bright Futures of any changes.

