Pinellas County School District has made temporary changes to the Bright Futures process for 2020 graduates during the COVID-19 closures. Seniors will be able to complete activities online and from home, but they still must be through an agency. Additionally, they still need to complete and have approved their Bright Futures Proposal, but it can be digitally signed as can the Bright Futures Log & Reflection form. These fillable forms can be obtained from your school counselor.

In addition, we are still awaiting to hear from the Florida Office of Financial Aid. Currently, they have the following message on their website:

April 15, 2020 - JUNE SAT CANCELLATION: The Department is aware of the cancellation of standardized test dates due to the impact of COVID-19 and social distancing measures. The impact of these measures on initial eligibility requirements are being evaluated. Once a decision has been made, official notification will be sent.

Process:

1. Determine where you would like to complete your hours and reach out to the agency to let them know of your interest and make arrangements to complete.
2. Complete the Bright Futures Proposal form (2-2602-2) and email the completed form to your Bright Futures Community Service Designee for your school.
3. The Community Service Designee will review and let you know if it is acceptable.
4. If acceptable, complete your hours with the agency.
5. Once your hours are completed, complete the Bright Futures Log & Reflection form (2-2602-3). Once you’ve completed your part of the form, email the document to the Agency Contact Person to confirm your hours. Please give them the email of your Community Service Designee and direct them to email them the completed form.

We have reached out to agencies in the community who have offered community service opportunities in the past to see if they have any activities that students can do from home. The following have said they do have online/at home opportunities. You don’t have to choose from this list if you have another agency that can offer you community service. Regardless of the agency you choose, you still must submit a proposal for approval.

Name of Agency: The Deuces Live, Inc.
Website: http://www.deuceslive.org/
Contact Person Name: Veatrice Farrell
Phone Number and/or Email: 727-433-8237 - deuceslivestpetemainstreet@gmail.com
Types of activities that students can perform: View webinars and municipal meetings and write summary reports.
Name of Agency: Girl Scouts of West Central Florida
Website: https://www.gswcf.org/
Contact Person Name: Tiffany Davies
Phone Number and/or Email: 813.325.1455 tdavies@gswcf.org
Types of activities that students can perform: Phone calls to members. Possible data entry.

Name of Agency: AIM Foundation
Website: https://ouraim.org/
Contact Person Name: Nisha Mandani
Phone Number and/or Email: ouraimorg@gmail.com
Types of activities that students can perform: We are looking for youths who have interest in marketing, social media, Flyers, newsletters, collages, movies, videos, organizing skills and who are dedicated and passionate to serve and care for humanity.

Name of Agency: Sandy Lane Elementary School
Contact Person Name: Holly Jacoetatta
Phone Number and/or Email: personal cell 727-688-3383, Jaconettah@pcsb.org
Types of activities that students can perform: short story readings on video to fill our virtual library.

Name of Agency: Pinellas County Schools
Contact Person Name: Michelle Roberge
Phone Number and/or Email: 727-638-2995 robergem@pcsb.org
Types of activities that students can perform: Help create a District Newsletter for Students – Develop a Name for the Newsletter – Logo Design- Content

Name of Agency: We Rock the Spectrum Clearwater kids gym
Contact Person Name: Janet Burrows
Phone Number and/or Email: 727 240 1785 info@werockthespectrumclearwater.com
Types of activities that students can perform: Students would be making videos for children to view at home. They could be anything from reading them a book to making a physical fitness activity. Plan out the activity you think a school age child would enjoy, record your video and send it to me. I will then post it our FB page for our kiddos stuck at home. The more creative the better.

We will update this list if we have more agencies reach out about opportunities they have available for students to complete community service from home/online.