



Department of School Counseling Services

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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NAME	AMOUNT	GRADE	REQUIREMENTS	DEADLINE
AES Engineers Scholarship NEW!	\$500	12	<p>Students must submit an essay of between 500 and 1000 words in answer to the following question: When you look back on your life in 30 years, what would it take for you to consider your life successful? What relationships or accomplishments will be important on this journey? For more information and to apply, go to https://www.aesengineers.com/scholarships.php.</p>	10/8/2025
American Muslim Alliance of Florida Scholarship	\$500-1000	12	<p>Applicants must meet the following criteria to qualify:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The applicant must be graduating from a public, private, or home school within the state of Florida and entering college as a full-time student. 2. Applicant must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 and attach official copies of school transcripts. 3. Applicant must provide two letters of recommendation from teachers of core subjects. Please limit letters of recommendation to one page for each recommendation. 4. Applicant's guidance counselor must complete page 2. 5. Applicant must compose and type a one-page, single-spaced essay stating why you should be awarded a scholarship, and why you plan to further your studies at a college or university. 	5/12/2025

			<p>6. Applicant completes and submits page 4.</p> <p>Scholarship Program is open for students of all faith and race.</p> <p>Applications are available in the College & Career Center and/or the School Counseling office at the high school.</p>	
AMVETS Dept of FL Scholarship	Varies	12+	<p>Three scholarships available: Donald P. Rhindress JROTC Scholarship, Florida General Scholarship & Joseph L Kee Scholarship. For additional information and to apply, go to http://www.amvetsfl.org/scholarships/.</p>	4/30/2025
Arts for Life! Scholarship	\$1000	12	<p>Awarded to graduating high school seniors who demonstrate excellence in creative writing, dance, drama, music or the visual arts. For additional information and to apply, go to https://artsforlifeaward.org/#apply.</p>	2/11/2025
Belleair Garden Club Scholarship	TBA	12	<p>Criteria: students applying to any undergraduate institution and committed to pursuing a career in Agronomy, Horticulture, Botany, Environmental Science or related field. <i>Scholarships will be awarded based on the applicant's previous academic and work experience, plans and vision for pursuing this career, as well as financial need.</i> For additional information and to apply, go to https://belleairgardenclub.com/scholarship-information.</p>	4/1/2025
Call Me Mister	May include tuition & fees, book support or housing	12	<p>Call Me MiSTER is a College of Education initiative based on the USF St. Petersburg campus that recruits men of color to get their undergraduate degree and teacher certification or a Master's of Arts degree in Teaching. The program is conducted in partnership with Pinellas County Schools. For additional information and to apply, go to https://www.usf.edu/education/about-us/call-me-mister.aspx.</p>	Check with USF
Charlie Houchell Arts Stars Scholarship	\$2500	11-12	<p>Scholarships of \$2,500 are annually awarded in each of six fine and performing arts disciplines: Dance, Theatre, Instrumental Music, Vocal Music, Visual Arts, and Literary Arts. The one-time \$2,500 scholarship is applied directly towards tuition expenses at the college, university, conservatory or professional training program of the selected student's choice. Winners will be selected based on</p>	2/16/2025

			<p>talent and merit by a panel of judges who are experts in their respective fields. Applicants Must:</p> <p>Be juniors or seniors in high school</p> <p>Attend school in Hillsborough, Pinellas, Manatee or Pasco county</p> <p>Not be previous awardees</p> <p>For more information and to apply, go to https://apply.mykaleidoscope.com/program/charliehouchellarts25.</p>	
<p>College Fund of Pinellas County Scholarship NEW!</p>	<p>\$1200 renewable</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>Eligibility Requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a resident of Pinellas County. • Be a citizen of the United States of America. • Be eligible to receive a Pell Grant for the upcoming school year. • Plan to attend a regionally accredited college or university in the upcoming school year. • Plan to be enrolled full time carrying at least 12 credit hours. • Plan to receive a bachelor's degree. • Have a high school GPA of 3.0 or better OR a college GPA of 2.0 or better. <p>For more information and to apply, go to https://www.collegefundpinellas.org/apply.</p>	<p>6/13/2025\$</p>
<p>Community Foundation Tampa Bay Common Scholarship NEW!</p>	<p>Varies</p>	<p>12+</p>	<p>Apply through the Community Foundation Tampa Bay Common Scholarship Application to be considered for more than 25 different scholarship opportunities through a single scholarship application. Applicants may be graduating high school seniors, current college students, and individuals returning to school. Scholarships will be awarded to support students in the pursuit of professional certifications, technical school programs, associate degrees, bachelor's degrees, graduate degrees, or doctoral degrees. The majority of the scholarships awarded through this application are for students from Hillsborough, Pinellas, Pasco, Hernando, and Citrus Counties. For more information and to apply, go to https://cftampabay.org/academic-scholarships/.</p>	<p>2/28/2025</p>

Everfi Accounting Careers Scholarship Contest	\$5000	9-12	<p>Accounting+ will be awarding twenty students nationally \$5,000 in educational funding. The Accounting Careers: Limitless Opportunities Scholarship is open to U.S. high school students between 13-19 years old who have completed at least one <i>Accounting Careers: Limitless Opportunities</i> course module. Students must submit a 300-500 word essay for a chance to win.</p> <p>For additional information and to apply, go to https://accountingcareers.joinaccountingplus.com/.</p>	4/15/2025
Everfi Credit Worthy Scholarship Contest	\$1000	Age 13-19	<p>OneMain Financial will be awarding thirty-six students nationally with \$1,000 in educational funding. The Credit Worthy Scholarship is open to U.S. high school students between 13-19 years old who have completed <i>Build: Credit Fundamentals</i> or at least 3 modules of a course offered in the Credit Worthy program presented by OneMain Financial. Students will submit a short essay about what they learned and how the Credit Worthy program by OneMain Financial has made an impact on them for a chance to win.</p> <p>For additional information and to apply, go to https://onemainfinancial.everfi.com/scholarship/.</p>	<p>1/15/2025 (Fall Semester)</p> <p>5/6/2025 (Spring Semester)</p>
Everfi Financial Futures Tax Simulation Scholarship	\$2500	9-12	<p>In partnership with Intuit for Education, one student winner will be awarded \$2,500 in educational funding from each semester-based entry period during the 2024-25 school year. The Financial Futures Student Scholarship Contest is open to students (age 13-19) who have completed at least one lesson within the course <i>Tax Simulation: Understanding Taxes</i>. To enter for a chance-to-win, students will be asked to submit an application form and share how learning about tax topics has made an impact on their life through a reflection essay (200-500 words).</p> <p>For additional information and to apply, go to https://turbotax.everfi.com/scholarships/?utm_source=everfi&utm_medium=web&utm_campaign=all-contests-page.</p>	<p>1/12/2025 (Fall Semester)</p> <p>5/4/2025 (Spring Semester)</p>

Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program	Up to 100% tuition & fees	12	<p>There are four different award levels with varying requirements. Bright Futures requires specific coursework, GPA, test scores and community service as well as general requirements. For additional information and to apply, go to https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHome/SAPHome?url=home and click on Create a Student Account.</p>	8/31/2025 to complete FFAA
Florida Farmworker Student Scholarship	Tuition & Fees at a Florida public postsecondary institution	12	<p>The student must: • Be a Florida resident. • Earn a minimum weighted cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.5 for all high school courses creditable toward a diploma. • Complete a minimum of 30 service hours. • As documented on the student's transcript, the student must: o Have a minimum 90% attendance rate; and, o Have no disciplinary action brought against him or her. • Be a farmworker or child of a farmworker Additional information can be found here: https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/PDF/factsheets/FFS_S.pdf</p> <p>To apply, students must submit a completed error-free Florida Financial Aid Application and error-free Free Application for Federal Student Aid.</p>	<p>FFAA-4/1/2025</p> <p>FAFSA-5/15/2025</p>
Florida Puerto Rican Parade Scholarship NEW!	Up to \$2000	12+	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Demonstrate potential for academic and leadership success within the community • Must be born in Puerto Rico or be of Puerto Rican Heritage • Indicate extracurricular activities including but not limited to sports and community activities • Show academic performance (minimum unweighted 3.0 grade point average) • Be high school seniors, GED recipients or currently attending college, technical college, or in university in • Plan to enroll in a full-time accredited college or university; • Complete a 1,000-word essay in Spanish or English 	2/27/2025

			For more information and to apply, go to https://floridapuertoricanparade.org/scholarship/ .	
Jose' Marti Scholarship Challenge	\$2000	12	<p>Requirements: Be of Spanish culture, born in or having a natural parent who was born in either Mexico or a Hispanic country of the Caribbean, Central or South America, regardless of race. Students of the following countries are not considered for an evaluation of this scholarship: Brazil, Spain and Haiti. Have earned, by the end of the seventh semester, a minimum unweighted cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale based on subjects credible toward a high school diploma for an undergraduate scholarship, or a 3.0 institutional cumulative GPA for undergraduate college work if applying for a graduate level scholarship. Demonstrated financial need on the FAFSA. Additional requirements can be found here: https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/PDF/factsheets/JoseMarti.pdf</p> <p>To apply, students must submit a completed error-free Florida Financial Aid Application and error-free Free Application for Federal Student Aid.</p>	<p>FFAA- 4/1/2025</p> <p>FAFSA- 5/15/2025</p>
Mark Wandall Foundation Scholarship NEW!	TBD	12+	<p>Graduating seniors and/or young adults (age 25 or younger) who are residents of the State of Florida seeking post-secondary education and who have suffered the death of a parent, sibling, or guardian. The distribution of funds will be determined after all scholarship applications have been received. For more information and to apply, go to https://www.themarkwandallfoundation.org/scholarship-program/.</p>	3/31/2025
PEER Scholarship	\$1000	12	Awarded to a graduating Pinellas County public high school senior who is related to our PEER/PCTA/PESPA family. Criteria for the scholarship include demonstrating above average achievement and motivation toward advancing his/her education, GPA of 2.5 or	2/28/2025

			above, service to school and community, leadership and good character, and an immediate family relationship (parent, sibling, grandparent or legal guardian) with a PCTA, PESPA or PEER member. Applications can be obtained by contacting Terry Plaia at 727-799-2937 or tplaia1@tampabay.rr.com or on the website https://www.pcta-pespa.org/ by clicking on PEER link.	
Pinellas County School District Teacher Scholarship	2 Year Florida Prepaid (valued at \$8000)	12	<p>Criteria: Graduating senior from a Pinellas County School District high school; Florida resident; have a valid Social Security Number; interest in pursuing a degree in Education; attend a Florida college or university; demonstrated financial need; and minimum weighted GPA of 3.0.</p> <p>Please request a copy of the application from your college & career coordinator or your high school counselor.</p>	3/3/2025
Pinellas Education Foundation Traditional Senior Scholarship	Varies	12	<p>Each year, the Foundation awards approximately \$700,000 in scholarships ranging from \$500 to \$5,000 to high school graduating seniors in the Pinellas County Public School system. Students only need to fill out one application to match their needs and future interests with over 120 scholarship opportunities.</p> <p>For additional information and to apply, go to https://pinellaseducation.org/initiatives/multiple-pathways/scholarships/.</p>	1/31/2025
Paul Toomey IT Scholarship NEW!	\$3000	12	<p>Criteria for the scholarship includes above-average achievement and motivation towards advancing his/her education in a computer-related field, outstanding service to school and the community, involvement in extracurricular events, and admirable leadership. <u>Failure to submit ANY of the requested documents and information will warrant immediate scholarship disqualification.</u></p> <p>Please request a copy of the application from your college & career coordinator or your high school counselor.</p>	4/7/2025
The Polar Scholarship NEW!	\$1000	12	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Must be a high school senior. 2. Must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale. 	2/28/2025

			<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Must plan to continue education at a two- or four-year institution or vocational school. 4. Must have a minimum SAT score of 1040 or a minimum ACT score of 21. 5. Must be a Florida resident. 6. Must have at least 200 community service hours. <p>For additional information and to apply, go to https://www.thepolarfoundation.com/scholarship.</p>	
Randolph Bracy Ocoee Scholarship	Up to \$6100	12	<p>Eligibility: Students who are either (1) a direct descendant of victims of the Ocoee Election Day Riots of November 1920, or (2) current African-American residents of Ocoee, Florida. Applicants must provide proof of ancestry or proof of residency to the Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) for initial eligibility consideration. Eligible students must attend a state university, public state college, or public postsecondary technical center in Florida. Additional information: https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/PDF/factsheets/OC OE.pdf.</p> <p>To apply, students must submit a completed error-free Florida Financial Aid Application and error-free Free Application for Federal Student Aid.</p>	<p>FFAA-4/1/2025</p> <p>FAFSA-5/15/2025</p>
Rosewood Family Scholarship	Up to \$6100	12	<p>Eligibility: Students who prove they are direct descendants of Rosewood families affected by the historical incidents of January 1923. Eligible students must attend a state university, public state college, or public postsecondary technical center in Florida. Additional information: https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/PDF/factsheets/Rosewood.pdf.</p>	<p>FFAA-4/1/2025</p> <p>FAFSA-5/15/2025</p>

			To apply, students must submit a completed error-free Florida Financial Aid Application and error-free Free Application for Federal Student Aid .	
SPC Promise Scholarship	Tuition & Fees	12	2025 graduate of one of the following schools who will be attending SPC in the Fall 2025: Boca Ciega, Clearwater, Gibbs, Hollins, Lakewood, Northeast, Pinellas Park and Tarpon Springs. The SPC <i>Promise Scholarship</i> covers your tuition and fees after other possible financial aid has been applied. Must apply to SPC, complete the FAFSA, enroll in at least 6 credits for Fall 2025 and complete SPC Promise Scholarship Form. For additional information, please go to www.spcollege.edu/promise .	Check with SPC
Sunshine Opportunity Scholarship	Up to \$25,000	12	Applicants must have a GPA of 3.0 or higher, must have overcome significant obstacles in life and must attend public or private high schools in specific geographic areas of Florida, South Carolina and North Carolina: the counties of Pinellas and Hillsborough in the Tampa Bay area of Florida; the cities of Florence and Marion in South Carolina, and the county of Avery in North Carolina. For additional information and to apply, go to https://sunshineopportunitiescholarships.com/ .	3/2/2025
Trial Pro P.A. Discover the Difference Scholarship NEW!	\$5000	12	<p>Eligibility Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be eligible, an individual must be a high school senior currently enrolled in a public school located in one of the following Florida counties: Orange, Seminole, Brevard, Osceola, Hillsborough, Pinellas, Lake, Polk, Lee, Charlotte, or Collier. • Applicant must have a minimum unweighted 3.0 GPA. • Student must be a US citizen or permanent resident. <p>Please request a copy of the application from your college & career coordinator or your high school counselor.</p>	4/4/2025

****Please see your counseling department for scholarships specific to your school****

NEW! – This scholarship is being posted for the first time during this scholarship cycle

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