



Department of School Counseling Services
SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
March 23, 2023

| NAME | AMOUNT | GRADE | REQUIREMENTS | DEADLINE |
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| American Muslim Alliance of Florida Inc. Scholarship | \$500-1000 | 12 | <p>Criteria: must be graduating from a public, private, or home school within the state of Florida and entering college as a full-time student; must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0; two letters of recommendations from teachers of core subjects; school counselor must complete counselor section of application; one-page, single-spaced essay; and open for students of all faith and race.</p> <p>Copies of the application are available from your School Counseling office and College & Career Center.</p> | 5/8/2023 |
| AMVETS Scholarships NEW | TBA | 12 | <p>The Department of Florida AMVETS Scholarship Committee members and Service Foundation now accepting applications for three different scholarships.</p> <p>Applications must be postmarked prior to April 30.</p> <p>The eligibility requirements for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Don Rhindress JROTC candidates are 2 years of ROTC and be a graduating high school senior. • General scholarship requires the candidate to have completed at least one year of college from an accredited institution. <p>Joseph Kee scholarship is for all eligible graduating high school seniors.</p> <p>For more information and to apply, go to</p> | 4/30/2023 |

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| | | | http://www.amvetsfl.org/scholarships/ | |
| Balkhi Higher Education Scholarship NEW! | \$1000 | 12 | <p>Current high school seniors with a 3.5 weighted or unweighted GPA with financial need are encouraged to apply. Important dates are below.</p> <p>Student Applications Open April 1, 2023 Student Applications Close Saturday, April 15 at 11:59pm EST Teacher Recommendation forms (sent via email) Due Friday, April 28 at 11:59PM EST.</p> <p>For more information and to apply, go to https://balkhifoundation.com/.</p> | 4/15/2023 |
| Belleair Garden Club Scholarship | \$2000 | 12 | <p>Applicants must be a resident of Pinellas County, FL and plan to pursue education in one of the following fields: Agronomy, Horticulture, Botany, Environmental Science or related field. For more information and to apply, go to https://belleairgardenclub.com/scholarship-information#:~:text=The%20Belleair%20Garden%20Club%20sponsors,Environmental%20Studies%20or%20related%20field.</p> | 4/1/2023 |
| Central Gulf Coast Sons and Daughters of Italy Scholarship | \$1000 | 12 | <p>Criteria: Italian descent; intend to enroll as a full-time student at an accredited junior college, college or university immediately upon graduating from high school; 500-750 word essay.</p> <p>Copies of the application are available from your School Counseling office and College & Career Center.</p> | 4/17/2023 |
| CGCS-Bernard Harris Math & Science Scholarship | \$5000 | 12 | <p>Four scholarships for two boys and two girls, with a value of \$5,000 each, will be awarded in June 2023 to two Black and two Hispanic students currently completing their senior year of high school in a member district of the Council of the Great City Schools (see list of member districts on left). Applicants must be accepted for full-time enrollment at a four-year college or university in the next academic year and pursuing a degree in Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM).</p> <p>For more information and to apply, go to</p> | 4/10/2023 |

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| | | | https://apply.mykaleidoscope.com/scholarships/CGCS-BernardHarris2023 . | |
| College Fund of Pinellas Scholarship | \$1200 (Renewable) | 12+ | Eligibility: US Citizen with permanent home address in Pinellas; recipient of a Pell Grant; plan to attend a regionally accredited college or university full time in the Fall of 2023; planning to earn a Bachelor's degree; have a minimum high school GPA of 2.5 or college GPA of 2.0. For more information and to apply, go to www.collegefundpinellas.org . | 6/14/2023 |
| Donald P. Rhindress JROTC Scholarship | TBA | 12 | Candidates must have at least 2 year of JROTC participation, maintain a 3.0 or higher GPA, participate in high school sponsored extra-curricular activities, participate in community service, and maintain a military appearance/demeanor while in JROTC uniform. For additional information and to apply, go to: http://www.amvetsfl.org/scholarships/ . | 4/30/2023 |
| EVERFI Empowered Seal Scholarship | \$500-1000 | 9-12 | Requirements: Students must learn in a school district that earned the 2022 Empowered Seal; complete at least three EVERFI lessons in one or more courses during the 2022-23 school year; and answer one writing prompt. For additional information and to apply, go to https://everfi.com/k-12/scholarships-contests/ . | FALL CONTEST: 12/2/2022 SPRING CONTEST: 5/5/2023 |
| FAPA Student Award for Literary Excellence NEW! | \$500 | 12+ | Eligibility: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Any full-time undergraduate or graduate student registered at a college or university in the state of Florida, or any Florida resident attending an in-state or out-of-state accredited college or university as a full-time undergraduate or graduate student may apply. Applicants should be pursuing a degree in the fields of writing, publishing, or related field, such as Communications, English, Journalism, Creative Writing, Book Design, Library Science, Illustration, Poetry, etc., or be actively pursuing a career in writing or publishing. Lyricists may also submit lyrics as poems. For more information and to apply, go to: | 4/30/2023 |

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| | | | https://www.myfapa.org/scholarship . | |
| Florida Bright Futures Scholarship | Up to 100% tuition and fees | 12 | 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. | 8/31/2023 to complete FFAA |
| Florida Farmworker Student Scholarship NEW! | TBA | 12 | 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. For additional information and to apply, go to https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHome/SAPHome?url=home and click on Create a Student Account. Must also have a completed FAFSA (www.studentaid.gov) by 5/15/2023. | 4/1/2023 |
| FSCA Scholarship NEW! | \$250 | 12 | High School student criteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current 12th graders on track to graduate either during the current spring or summer; and; • Intent to enroll in a postsecondary institution in the upcoming summer or fall following high school graduation. • The application requires a 250-500 words response to the following: <i>How my school counselor made a difference in my high school years?</i> For additional information and to apply, go to: https://www.fla-schoolcounselor.org/scholarship-information/ . | 4/14/2023 |
| GTE Financials 2023 | \$3000 | 12 | Applicants must meet all of the following criteria to be eligible for | 6/4/2023 |

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| <p>Scholarships NEW!</p> | | | <p>this scholarship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The applicant must be a member of GTE Financial and be the primary account holder at the time of application. (Not a member yet? Join GTE Financial for free before applicable deadline to become eligible for the GTE scholarship.) • The applicant must be an incoming freshman or a continuing full-time student pursuing an undergraduate degree or trade school certificate. Graduating high school seniors, students pursuing a trade certificate from an accredited vocational school, undergraduate freshman, sophomore, junior, or senior continuing their undergraduate education in the following academic year is eligible. Not applicable for graduate level students. • Applicants must be attending courses full-time at an accredited vocational school or two-year/four-year college/university in the United States. • Previous high school and undergrad applicants and winners are eligible and encouraged to reapply. • Minimum of a 2.0 GPA required. • There are no age limitations on applying for the scholarship as long as applicants meet the eligibility requirements stated above. <p>For additional information and to apply, go to https://www.gtefinancial.org/personal/for-students/student-scholarships.</p> | |
| <p>Innovation in Education Scholarship</p> | <p>\$500</p> | <p>9-12+</p> | <p>Criteria: Must currently be enrolled as a high school or college/university student within the United States or Canada. Must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 (or the equivalent). Must be a citizen of, permanent resident of, or hold a valid student visa in the United States or Canada. Must have designed an innovative project that makes a difference</p> | <p>Monthly Drawing- must be in by the 20th of the month</p> |

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| | | | in the lives of others (This could be a website, series of blogs, an app, fundraising event, etc.) For additional information and to apply, go to: https://www.latutors123.com/scholarship/ | |
| Jose Marti' Scholarship Challenge NEW! | \$2000 | 12 | <p>The student must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. o A prospective undergraduate student must apply during senior year of high school and ensure that either the high school principal or designee certifies online the student's 7th semester unweighted cumulative GPA to the Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) by a date established by the Florida Department of Education (FDOE). o A prospective graduate student must ensure that an admissions office official at the postsecondary institution the applicant plans to attend certifies the student's institutional cumulative GPA online to OSFA by a date established by FDOE. • Demonstrate a minimum of \$2,000 in financial need by timely completing and submitting the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) in time to be processed error-free by the U.S. Department of Education on or before May 15, 2023. <p>For additional information and to apply, go to https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHome/SAPHome?url=home and click on Create a Student Account. Must also have a completed FAFSA (www.studentaid.gov) by 5/15/2023</p> | 4/1/2023 |
| Joseph L Kee Scholarship | TBA | 12 | Candidate is a high school senior scheduled to graduate from high school during 2023 that has maintained a min. 3.0 GPA, participate | 4/30/2023 |

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| | | | in high school sponsored extra-curricular activities, participate in community service and is son/daughter, grandchild or great grandchild of a member of the Dept. of FL AMVETS. For more information and to apply, go to http://www.amvetsfl.org/scholarships/ . | |
| Paul Toomey IT Scholarship | \$3400 | 12 | Criteria for the scholarship includes above-average achievement and motivation towards advancing his/her education in a computer-related field, outstanding service to their school and/or the community, involvement in extracurricular events, and admirable leadership. <u>Failure to submit ANY of the requested documents and information will warrant scholarship disqualification.</u> Copies of the application are available from your School Counseling office and College & Career Center. | 4/3/2023 |
| Pinellas County School District Teacher Scholarship | \$8000 | 12 | 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 four-year university in Florida (must be accepted by 3/31/2023); demonstrate financial need via the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA); and minimum weighted GPA of 3.0. Copies of the application are available from your School Counseling office and College & Career Center. | 4/1/2023 |
| Pinellas Seminole Club Scholarship NEW! | \$1000-1500 | 12+ | Scholarships will be awarded to Pinellas County students pursuing a degree from FSU. Incoming and returning students are eligible. GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ELIGIBILITY Incoming Student Applicants: ➤ Be a U.S. citizen and resident of Pinellas County ➤ Be eligible for a standard diploma from an accredited Pinellas | 4/19/2023 |

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| | | | <p>County high school</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Be planning to enroll as a full-time degree-seeking student in an undergraduate program at FSU ➤ Have a minimum unweighted high school GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale <p>Copies of the application are available from your School Counseling office and College & Career Center. You can also apply online at https://fsu.academicworks.com/ if you are an incoming freshmen to FSU who has already been accepted and committed to attend FSU.</p> | |
| <p>Randolph Bracy Ocoee Scholarship NEW!</p> | Up to \$6100 | 12 | <p>The Randolph Bracy Ocoee Scholarship Program was created by the 2021 Florida Legislature to provide student financial assistance for a maximum of 50 eligible 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 and will receive an amount up to \$6,100 annually not to exceed the amount of the student's tuition and registration fees.</p> <p>For additional information and to apply, go to https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHome/SAPHome?url=home and click on Create a Student Account. Must have a completed FAFSA (www.studentaid.gov) by 5/15/2023.</p> | 4/1/2023 |
| <p>Rosewood Family Scholarship NEW!</p> | Up to \$6100 | 12 | <p>The Rosewood Family Scholarship Program was created to provide student financial assistance for a maximum of 50 eligible students</p> | 4/1/2023 |

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| | | | <p>who prove they are direct descendants of Rosewood families affected by the historical incidents of January 1923. Applicants are required to supply the descendant information on the Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) for verification. Eligible students must attend a state university, public state college, or public postsecondary technical center in Florida. Funds for the Rosewood Family Scholarship are contingent each year upon the appropriations made available to the Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) by the Florida Legislature.</p> <p>For additional information and to apply, go to https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHome/SAPHome?url=home and click on Create a Student Account. Must have a completed FAFSA (www.studentaid.gov) by 5/15/2023.</p> | |
| <p>Salute to Scholars Scholarship NEW!</p> | \$500-3,000 | 12 | <p><u>Application Criteria:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. You must be a 2023 graduating senior from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Any Hillsborough or Pinellas County high school in Tampa Bay, FL - Widefield High School in Colorado Springs, CO - Mesa Ridge High School in Colorado Springs, CO 2. You must carry a minimum 2.5 grade point average. 3. You must have a parent/guardian who is either active duty, retired, or deceased military. 4. You must plan to attend an institution of higher education, including a four-year university, vocational college, or community | <p>5/1/2023 by 5pm</p> |

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| | | | <p>college.</p> <p>5. Students attending any of the service academies are NOT eligible to apply.</p> <p>6. If any part of the application is blank or missing, the application will be disqualified. Please submit only COMPLETE application packets, including all required additional documents listed below.</p> <p>For additional information and to apply, go to https://form.jotform.com/AllisonGorrell/2023-salute-to-scholars-scholarship.</p> | |
| Scholarships for Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans | TBA | 12 | <p>The child must: • Be between the ages of 16 and 22. • Be initially eligible prior to his or her 23rd birthday. • Be a dependent child of a qualified veteran whose official military and residency status is certified by the Florida Department of Veterans Affairs. • Receive educational opportunity until such a time as the parent classified as prisoner of war or missing in action is returned alive or otherwise classified.</p> <p>For additional information and to apply, go to https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHome/SAPHome?url=home and click on Create a Student Account.</p> | 4/1/2023 |
| Varsity Tutors | \$1000 monthly | | <p>Monthly scholarship where students must write an essay in response to a monthly prompt. For more information visit http://www.varsitytutors.com/college-scholarship</p> | Monthly deadlines |

****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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