

# 2024-25 BRIGHT FUTURES SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

## Florida Academic Scholarship (FAS) and Florida Medallion Scholarship (FMS)

### INITIAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

(As determined by the Florida Department of Education)

1. Submit the Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) no later than August 31 after high school graduation.
2. Graduate from a Florida high school with a standard high school diploma or its equivalent.
3. Complete the 16 college-preparatory courses required for admission to a state university.
4. Achieve the required weighted GPA in the 16 college-preparatory courses.
5. Achieve the required composite ACT® score, Overall Score on the Classic Learning Test (CLT), or combined SAT® score no later than August 31 of the student's graduation year (or through January 31 for mid-year graduates).
6. Complete the required number of volunteer service hours, paid work hours, or combined hours.

### REQUIREMENTS TO RECEIVE AN AWARD

(As determined by the postsecondary institution)

1. Be evaluated by the Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) as meeting initial eligibility requirements.
2. Be a Florida resident and US citizen or eligible noncitizen.
3. Enroll as a degree-or certificate-seeking student at a Florida institution in at least 6 non-remedial semester hours.

### COURSEWORK & CREDITS

#### 16 High School College-Preparatory Course Credits

- 4 English (3 must include substantial writing)
- 4 Mathematics (at or above Algebra 1 Level)
- 3 Natural Sciences (2 must have substantial lab)
- 3 Social Science
- 2 World Language (sequential, in same language)

The required coursework aligns with the State University System admissions requirements found in regulation 6.002.

### HIGH SCHOOL WEIGHTED BRIGHT FUTURES GPA

| FAS  | FMS  |
|------|------|
| 3.50 | 3.00 |

### COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS BY HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION YEAR (ACT® /CLT®/SAT®)

| FAS                              | FMS                              |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 2024-25 GRADUATES:<br>29/96/1340 | 2024-25 GRADUATES:<br>25/84/1210 |
| 2025-26 GRADUATES:<br>29/95/1330 | 2025-26 GRADUATES:<br>24/82/1190 |

### VOLUNTEER AND PAID WORK HOURS

|     | Volunteer | Paid Work | Combination of<br>Volunteer & Work |
|-----|-----------|-----------|------------------------------------|
| FAS | 100       | 100       | 100                                |
| FMS | 75        | 100       | 100                                |

### RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS (As determined by grades & hours submitted by the postsecondary institution.)

1. Students must earn the number of credit hours based on the student's enrollment type per term.
2. The renewal cumulative GPA requirements are outlined in the table below.

|  | FAS  | FMS  |
|--|------|------|
| Minimum Cumulative GPA<br>(unrounded & unweighted) | 3.00 | 2.75 |

FOR DETAILED INFORMATION, INCLUDING OTHER WAYS TO QUALIFY, PLEASE REFER TO THE BRIGHT FUTURES STUDENT HANDBOOK. ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITH EACH LEGISLATIVE SESSION. STUDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR TRACKING THEIR APPLICATION AND AWARD STATUS ONLINE AND ENSURING THAT FUNDING FOR AN ACADEMIC YEAR IS ACCURATE BY CONTACTING THEIR INSTITUTION'S FINANCIAL AID OFFICE.

# 2024–25 BRIGHT FUTURES SCHOLARSHIP REQUIREMENTS

## Florida Gold Seal CAPE (GSC) and Florida Gold Seal Vocational (GSV)

### Florida Gold Seal CAPE (GSC)

#### INITIAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

(As determined by the Florida Department of Education)

1. Submit the Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) no later than August 31 after high school graduation.
2. Graduate with a standard high school diploma or its equivalent.
3. Earn a minimum of 5 postsecondary credit hours through CAPE industry certifications that articulate for college credit.
4. Complete at least 30 volunteer service hours, 100 paid work hours, or a combination that equals a minimum of 100 total hours.

Eligible CAPE Certifications: Active Articulation Agreements Summary  
[www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/7525/urlt/active-articulation-summary.xlsx](http://www.fldoe.org/core/fileparse.php/7525/urlt/active-articulation-summary.xlsx)

#### SCHOLARSHIP RESTRICTIONS

Until a student has earned an eligible associate degree, Gold Seal CAPE (GSC) scholarships may only be used at postsecondary institutions that offer an applied technology diploma, technical degree education program (associate in applied science or associate in science), or a career certificate program.

Upon completion of an eligible associate degree program, a GSC Scholar may also receive an award for a maximum of 60 credit hours toward an eligible baccalaureate degree.

### Florida Gold Seal Vocational (GSV)

#### INITIAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

(As determined by the Florida Department of Education)

1. Submit the Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) no later than August 31 after high school graduation.
2. Graduate with a standard Florida high school diploma or its equivalent.
3. Achieve the required weighted 3.0 GPA in the non-elective high school courses.
4. Complete at least three (3) full credits in a single Career and Technical Education program.
5. Achieve the required minimum 3.5 unweighted GPA in the single Career and Technical Education program.
6. Complete at least 30 volunteer service hours, 100 paid work hours, or a combination that equals a minimum of 100 total hours.
7. Achieve the required minimum scores on one of the college entrance exams per the chart below no later than August 31 of the year the student graduates from high school.

#### COLLEGE ENTRANCE EXAMS BY HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION YEAR (ACT® /CLT® /SAT®)

| Exam Type                                  | Sub-test   | Required Score |
|--|--|----------------|
| ACT*                                       | Reading  | 19             |
|  | English  | 17             |
|  | Mathematics  | 19             |
| SAT*<br>(March 1, 2024 & thereafter)       | Critical Reading or Evidence-Based Reading & Writing | 490            |
|  | Mathematics  | 480            |
| SAT*<br>(Prior to March 1, 2024)           | Reading  | 24             |
|  | Writing & Language                                   | 25             |
|  | Math Test  | 24             |
| PERT<br>(Only applies for GSV Scholarship) | Reading  | 106            |
|  | Writing  | 103            |
|  | Mathematics  | 114            |

#### SCHOLARSHIP RESTRICTIONS

The GSV award may only be used at postsecondary institutions that offer an applied technology diploma, technical degree education program (associate in applied science or associate in science), or a career certificate program and not toward the completion of an associate in arts or a baccalaureate degree.

### Florida Gold Seal CAPE (GSC) and Florida Gold Seal Vocational (GSV)

#### REQUIREMENTS TO RECEIVE AN AWARD (As determined by the postsecondary institution)

1. Be evaluated by the Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) as meeting initial eligibility requirements.
2. Be a Florida resident and US citizen or eligible noncitizen.
3. Enroll as a degree-or certificate-seeking student at a Florida institution in at least 6 non-remedial semester hours.

#### RENEWAL REQUIREMENTS (As determined by grades & hours submitted by the postsecondary institution.)

1. Students must earn the number of credit hours based on the student's enrollment type per term.
2. Students must maintain a minimum of cumulative 2.75 GPA (unrounded and unweighted).

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