



Department of School Counseling Services
SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
January 17, 2024

NAME	AMOUNT	GRADE	REQUIREMENTS	DEADLINE
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.6. Applicant completes and submits page 4. <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>	5/6/2024

AMVETS Department of Florida Donald Rhindress JROTC Scholarship	TBA	12	<p>Donald Rhindress JROTC scholarship: candidates must have at least 2- years of JROTC participation, maintain a minimum 3.0 or higher school GPA, participate in high school sponsored extra-curricular activities, participate in community service, and maintain a military appearance/demeanor while in uniform.</p> <p>For additional information and to apply, go to https://amvetsfl.org/scholarships/.</p>	4/30/2024
AMVETS Department of Florida General Scholarship	TBA	12	<p>General scholarship: candidates will have completed, at a minimum, their first year of an accredited university, must be a member of the Department of Florida AMVETS, son/daughter and or grandchild of a member of Department of Florida AMVETS.</p> <p>For additional information and to apply, go to https://amvetsfl.org/scholarships/.</p>	4/30/2024
AMVETS Department of Florida Joseph L. Kee Scholarship	TBA	12	<p>Joseph L Kee Scholarship. High school senior scheduled to graduate from high school during 2024 that has maintained a minimum 3.0 or higher school GPA, participate in high school sponsored extra-curricular activities, participate in community service, and son/daughter, grandchild and or great grandchild of a member of the Department of Florida AMVETS. This scholarship is reviewed and awarded by the AMVETS Department of Florida Service Foundation.</p> <p>For additional information and to apply, go to https://amvetsfl.org/scholarships/.</p>	4/30/2024
Arts for Life! Scholarship NEW!	\$1000	12	<p>Eligibility: High school students graduating from a public, private or virtual school or home education program in Florida in the spring of 2024. Students should demonstrate excellence in creative writing, dance, drama, music or visual arts. Portfolios, essay and resume are required.</p>	2/5/2024

			Applications are available in the College & Career Center and/or the School Counseling office at the high school. Or, students can apply online at https://artsforlifeaward.org/#apply .	
Belleair Garden Club Scholarship	\$1000	12+	Requirements are that the student be entering college in 2024, are a Pinellas county resident, and planning to study Botany, Agronomy, Horticulture, Environmental science or a related degree. For additional information and to apply, go to https://belleairgardenclub.com/scholarship-information .	4/1/2024
Brooks Law Personal Injury Scholarship	\$1000	12+	The contest is open to current high school seniors and undergraduate college students who will be attending a US college or university in the next fall semester. For additional information and to apply, go to https://brookslawgroup.com/about-us/community/scholarship/ .	12/31/2023
Call Me Mister	May include tuition & fees, book support or housing	12	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 .	Check with USF
CFY Richard O. Jacobson Postsecondary Scholarship	\$3500-10,000	12	Eligibility: Any high school senior student who attends a Pinellas County High School, public or private. Students attending St. Petersburg College are not eligible for this scholarship. Please apply for the CFY SPC Scholarship Program which is only for students who are intending to enroll at St. Petersburg College. For additional information and to apply, go to http://www.cfypinellas.org/SCHOLARSHIPS .	1/23/2024
Charlie Houchell Art Stars Scholarship NEW!	\$2500	11-12	Applicants Must: Be juniors or seniors in high school Attend school in Hillsborough, Pinellas, Manatee or Pasco county	3/8/2024

			<p>Not be previous awardees. Scholarships are awarded in each of six fine and performing arts disciplines: Dance, Theatre, Instrumental Music, Vocal Music, Visual Arts, and Literary Arts.</p> <p>For additional information and to apply, go to https://apply.mykaleidoscope.com/scholarships/charliehouchellaarts24.</p>	
FASFEPA Vivian Scott Student Scholarship	\$2000	12	<p>Student applicants must meet the following criteria to be eligible for the scholarship:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a senior who is on track to graduate in May/June of 2024; • Be eligible under current USDA guidelines as free or reduced-priced meals or Approved CEP Direct Certification for free or reduced lunch; and • Provide a picture with the application to be used in an announcement and on the FASFEPA webpage. (.jpg or .png format) <p>Google Drive Folder for Scholarship Application, Routing Form, and Scoring Criteria: 2024 FASFEPA VIVIAN SCOTT STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP</p>	2/12/2024
Florida Bright Futures Scholarship	Up to 100% tuition and 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>	8/31/2024 to complete FFAA
Florida Farmworker Student Scholarship NEW!	Tuition & Fees at a Florida public postsecondary institution	12	<p>The student must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 <p>Additional information can be found here:</p>	<p>FFAA-4/1/2024</p> <p>FAFSA-5/15/2024</p>

			https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/PDF/factsheets/FFS S.pdf To apply, students must submit a completed error-free Florida Financial Aid Application and error-free Free Application for Federal Student Aid .	
IVLA College Scholarship	\$1000	12+	Scholarship Guidelines: U.S. resident accepted to an accredited U.S. university, community college, or trade school; Submit a 300 – 500 word essay; Have a 2.5 GPA or higher; and Must be a high school senior or undergraduate student with 1+ school year(s) remaining Students can apply at https://internationalvla.com/college-scholarship-from-ivla/	4/30/2024
Jose' Marti Scholarship Challenge NEW!	\$2000	12	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/Jose Marti.pdf To apply, students must submit a completed error-free Florida Financial Aid Application and error-free Free Application for Federal Student Aid .	FFAA- 4/1/2024 FAFSA- 5/15/2024

McDonalds HACER National Scholarship	Up to \$100,000	12	<p>Requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You're a high school senior • Must be a legal U.S. Resident, U.S. Citizen or a DREAMER/DACA recipient • You're under 21 years old • You carry a minimum 2.8 GPA • You're eligible to attend a two- or four-year college, university or vocational/technical school with a full-time course of study • You'll disclose other scholarship programs that you've applied for • You'll enroll and attend an accredited institution in the academic year after your selection (verification needed, as scholarship funds are paid directly to the schools) • You have at least one parent of Hispanic/Latino heritage 	2/5/2024
Mensa Foundation Scholarship	\$2500	12+	<p>There are two requirements for applicants:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicants must be enrolled in a degree program in an accredited U.S. institution of higher learning during the academic year following the application date. • Applicants must submit an application and essay explaining his or her career, academic and/or vocational goals. <p>For additional information and to apply, go to: https://www.mensafoundation.org/what-we-do/scholarships/us-scholarships/.</p>	1/15/2024
Minority Teacher Education Scholars NEW!	TBD	12	<p>The student must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a Florida resident and a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen. A student's residency and citizenship status are determined by the postsecondary institution. Questions regarding such status should be directed to the financial aid office or admissions office of the institution the student plans to attend. 	7/1/2024 for all 2024 Funding

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have not earned more than 18 hours of upper-division-level courses in education at the time of application. • Belong to one of the following racial groups: African American/Black, Hispanic/Latino, Asian American/Pacific Islander or American Indian/Alaskan native. • Be admitted into a teacher education program at any of the program's eligible participating postsecondary institutions. Additional information can be found here: https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/PDF/factsheets/MTE S.pdf. <p>Applications are available on the FFMT website.</p>	
Paul Toomey IT Scholarship NEW!	\$3800	12	<p>Criteria: Graduating high school seniors who have excelled in their pursuit of a career in a computer-related field; above-average achievement & motivation towards advancing education in computer-related field, outstanding service to school & community; involvement in extracurricular events; & admirable leadership.</p> <p>Applications are available in the College & Career Center and/or the School Counseling office at the high school.</p>	4/1/2024
PEER Scholarship	\$1000	12	<p>Criteria: 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 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. An interested student needs to complete the PEER Scholarship Application and essay, attach an official copy of his/her current high school transcript through the first semester of senior year, and send them postmarked (or in the PCTA/PESPA Office) by February 29, 2024 to:</p>	2/16/2024

			<p>PEER Scholarship Committee, c/o Sheryl Lane</p> <p>Jade Moore Building</p> <p>650 Seminole Blvd,</p> <p>Largo, FL 33770</p> <p>Students or their parent/guardians may obtain applications from the PCTA/PESPA website (www.pcta-pespa.org) and clicking on either the PEER link or the 2024 PEER Scholarship link or by contacting Terry Plaia at (727) 799-2937 or tplaia1@tampabay.rr.com.</p>	
<p>Pinellas Education Foundation Traditional Senior Scholarship</p>	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>	1/31/2024
<p>Randolph Bracy Ocoee Scholarship</p> <p>NEW!</p>	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>FFAA-4/1/2024</p> <p>FAFSA-5/15/2024</p>

			To apply, students must submit a completed error-free Florida Financial Aid Application and error-free Free Application for Federal Student Aid .	
Rosewood Family Scholarship NEW!	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.</p> <p>Additional information: https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/PDF/factsheets/Rosewood.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-4/1/2024</p> <p>FAFSA-5/15/2024</p>
Scholarships for Children & Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans NEW!	Up to 110% of the credit hours towards first bachelor's degree or certificate program	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. Additional Information: https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/PDF/factsheets/CSDV.pdf.</p> <p>To apply, students must submit a completed error-free Florida Financial Aid Application.</p>	FFAA-4/1/2024
SPC Promise Scholarship	Tuition & Fees	12	2024 graduate of one of the following schools who will be attending SPC in the Fall 2024: 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 2024 and complete SPC Promise Scholarship Form. For additional information, please go to www.spcollege.edu/promise .	Check with SPC

Sunshine Opportunity Scholarship	\$6250 per year for 4 years	12	Applicants should be high achieving high school seniors in Hillsborough, Pasco or Pinellas counties who have overcome significant obstacles in life and who plan to attend an in-state public university for their undergraduate studies. For additional information and to apply, go to http://www.sunshineopportunitiescholarships.com .	3/2/2024
The Dream US National Scholarship	Tuition & Fees	12	Open to undocumented immigrant students with or without DACA or TPS who came to the U.S. before the age of 16 and before Nov. 1, 2018. In addition, must have significant unmet financial need, have graduated or will graduate from a US school before Fall 2024, GPA of 2.5 or higher on 4.0 scale, intend to enroll full-time in an associate or bachelor's degree program at a Partner College in your state, and are eligible for in-state tuition. For additional information and to apply, go to https://www.thedream.us/scholarships/national-scholarship/ .	2/29/2024
The Mark Wandall Foundation Scholarship	TBD	12+	Eligibility: 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. For more information and to apply, go to https://www.themarkwandallfoundation.org/scholarship-program/ .	3/31/2024
United States JCI Senate Foundation Scholarship	\$1500	12	Graduating senior in the US where that state has an active JCI Senate program who plans to continue their education at an accredited post-secondary college or university in the US. Must be a US citizen. Applications are available in the College & Career Center and/or the School Counseling office at the high school.	1/19/2024
United States JCI Senate Foundation Vocational/Industrial Scholarship	\$1000	12	Graduating senior in the US where that state has an active JCI Senate program who plans to continue their education at an	1/19/2024

			<p>accredited vocational or industrial school in the US. Must be a US citizen.</p> <p>Applications are available in the College & Career Center and/or the School Counseling office at the high school.</p>	
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****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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