



Guide to Other Scholarship Opportunities

Florida Scholarship Opportunities

Access to Better Learning and Education Grant

This program provides tuition assistance to students attending participating private Florida universities or colleges. Eligibility is determined by the school and the award amount is determined each year by the state legislature.

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org>

Bill Bankhead Educational Scholarship

The Florida Juvenile Justice Foundation awards a \$1,000 college scholarship to Florida youth who have been involved in the juvenile justice system.

<http://www.djjfoundation.org/content/view/19/29/>

Commercial Motor Vehicle Operator Training Program

Students are awarded up to \$2,500 to cover educational costs after studying for and obtaining a Commercial Vehicle Drivers License (Class A for trucks) at a participating postsecondary institution.

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org>

Cost of Attendance and Adult Norm-Referenced Disability Testing

Students with learning disabilities attending schools that require adult norm-referenced testing may qualify to have their testing costs covered by their school.

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org>

Ethics in Business Scholarship Program

This program provides assistance to students attending a community college or an eligible private Florida college or university. Scholarship recipients must have financial need, perform community service and take an ethics course.

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org>

First Generation Matching Grant Program

In Florida, this new program provides need-based grants for students whose parents have not earned baccalaureate degrees. The grant can be used to attend public state universities.

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org>

Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program

This program rewards Florida students for their academic achievements in high school. Funded by the Florida Lottery, the program gives out three kinds of scholarship awards for students seeking higher education in the state: Florida Academic Scholars, Florida Medallion Scholars and Gold Seal Vocational Scholars.

- **Florida Academic Scholars Awards** cover 100 percent of tuition and fees at public institutions and a limited percentage of tuition and fees at private institutions. The highest academically ranked senior in every county also receives a bonus \$750 per semester as part of the Academic Top Scholars Awards.
- **Florida Medallion Scholars Awards** cover 75 percent of tuition and fees at public institutions, 100 percent of tuition and fees for associate degrees programs at public community colleges and a limited percentage of tuition and fees at private institutions.
- **Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars Awards** cover 75 percent of tuition and fees at public institutions and a limited percentage of tuition and fees at private institutions.

<http://www.myfloridaeducation.com/brfuture/>

Florida Resident Access Grant Program

The William L. Boyd, IV Florida Resident Access Grant provides tuition assistance to Florida resident students attending nonprofit colleges and universities within the state.

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org>

Florida Student Assistance Grant Program

This program provides need-based grants from \$200 to \$1,722 for students working toward degrees from state universities, eligible private nonprofit colleges or eligible technical institutes. These programs award scholarships to students who demonstrate great financial need.

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org>

Florida Work Experience Program

The Florida Work Experience Program is a state work-study program for students that offers employment based on financial need. Work opportunities, eligibility, applications and award amounts are determined by each participating institution.

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org>

Jim and June Grant Foster Child Scholarship

At the University of South Florida, students who have been in foster care before attending college are eligible for an award of up to \$5,000 annually through this program, established through the estates of Jim and June Grant.

http://usfweb2.usf.edu/admissions/freshmanfoundation_scholarships.htm

Jose Marti Scholarship Challenge Fund Grant

Florida students of Hispanic origin who have a combination of the highest ranked GPA and the highest financial need can receive a \$2,000 grant for use at a Florida public or eligible private institution.

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org>

Juvenile Justice Educational Success Incentive Program

This \$1,000 scholarship is for Florida students who have been in the juvenile justice system. The program aims to help students receive the educational and career training they need to achieve productive lives and reduce recidivism.

<http://www.djjfoundation.org/content/view/17/29/>

Mary McLeod Bethune Scholarship Program

This program offers scholarships to students attending Bethune-Cookman College, Edward Waters College, Florida A&M University or Florida Memorial University. Students must demonstrate great financial need.

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org>

Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program

This highly competitive federal program administered through the state of Florida provides scholarships of \$1,500 per year to academically outstanding students. Students must be nominated by their high school principals based on GPA and ACT scores.

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org>

Rosewood Family Scholarship

This scholarship was created to provide financial assistance for 25 eligible minority students who attend a state university, public community college or public postsecondary vocational-technical school. Direct descendants of Rosewood, Fla., families affected by the city's massacre in January 1923 will receive priority for the awards. Award recipients receive up to \$4000.

<http://www.firn.edu>

Scholarships for Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans and Servicemembers

This program provides financial assistance to dependent children or un-remarried spouses of Florida veterans who have died on active duty or who are permanently disabled. The program provides full scholarships to students attending Florida public postsecondary institutions. Students attending private institutions receive an amount equivalent to full scholarships at comparable public institutions.

<https://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org>

Talented 20 Program

Through this Florida program, students who graduate in the top 20 percent of their class are guaranteed admission to one of 11 state universities. Students in the "Talented 20" with financial need are also given priority for funding from the Florida Student Assistance Grant.

<http://www.fldoe.org/Talented20/>

National Scholarship Opportunities

Academic Competitiveness Grants

This new federal grant provides up to \$750 for the first year of undergraduate study and up to \$1,300 for the second year of undergraduate study to students who have completed a rigorous high school academic program as determined by their state or local education agencies.

<http://www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov/>

Casey Family Scholars

Approximately 100 scholarships of \$2500 to \$6000 are awarded every year to students who have spent at least one year in foster care. The scholarships, administered by the Orphan Foundation of America, can be used for college or a vocational institute.

<http://www.orphan.org/scholarships.html>

Federal Pell Grants

Pell grants are awarded nationally through school financial aid offices to students based solely on financial need. Grants currently range from \$400 to \$4,050 a year, but can change from year to year.

<http://www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov/>

Federal Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants

These grants, ranging from \$100 to \$4,000 a year, are awarded nationally through school financial aid offices to undergraduate students with exceptional financial need. The grant amount is determined by need and also the amount of other aid received by the student.

<http://www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov/>

Federal Work-Study Program

This program provides on- and off-campus jobs paying at least minimum wage for students demonstrating financial need. The program encourages community service work and work related to the student's course of study.

<http://www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov/>

National Science and Mathematics Access to Retain Talent (SMART) Grants

This new federal grant awards up to \$4,000 for the third and fourth years of undergraduate study to students maintaining a 3.0 GPA and majoring in mathematics, technology, engineering; physical, life, or computer sciences; or in a foreign language determined critical to national security.

<http://www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov/>

Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship Program

This program, which is federally funded and state-administered, recognizes exceptionally able high school seniors who show promise of continued excellence in postsecondary education. Students receive scholarships for college expenses.

<http://www.ed.gov>