



# **BRIGHT FUTURES SCHOLARSHIPS**

**FOR CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION  
STUDENTS**

**GOLD SEAL VOCATIONAL SCHOLARS**

**AND**

**GOLD SEAL  
CAPE SCHOLARS**

**BRIGHT FUTURE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR OUR  
CTE STUDENTS**

# GOLD SEAL VOCATIONAL SCHOLARS (GSV) REQUIREMENTS:

Complete	Complete required high school coursework that results in a standard Florida high school diploma.
Earn	Earn 3 full credits in one approved CTE Program of Study
GPA	Achieve a minimum 3.0 weighted GPA using non-elective high school courses
GPA	Achieve a minimum 3.5 unweighted GPA for 3 credits in CTE approved CTE Program of Study
College Entrance Exams	Achieve a minimum score on the PERT, SAT or ACT college entrance exams
Hours	Complete 30 volunteer service hours OR 100 work hours*
Info	*See slide 6, 7 and 8.

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- Students must be a Florida resident (determined by college).
- Initial Eligibility Requirements must be met prior to graduation from a Florida public high school or a registered FDOE private high school.
- Students seeking state scholarships must complete a [Florida Financial Aid Application \(FFAA\)](#) during their senior year of high school before graduation.
- Award Amount –See Bright Futures site for more specific information.

Award Name	Required Coursework <i>(Required coursework for FAS and FMS aligns with the State University System admission requirements found in Regulation 6.002)</i>	High School Bright Futures GPA	College Entrance Exams <i>(Tests must be completed by June 30 of graduation year)</i> <i>(See Note 4 Below)</i>	Volunteer Service Work Hours Required	Work Hours Required																												
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# GOLD SEAL CAPE SCHOLARS (GSC)

**POSTSECONDARY CREDIT FOR INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS THAT ARTICULATE FOR COLLEGE CREDIT**

**STUDENTS NEED TO EARN AT LEAST 5 POSTSECONDARY CREDITS (# OF CREDITS LISTED ON THE RIGHT-HAND SIDE)**

## Gold Seal Cape Scholars (GSC) Postsecondary credits

Cert. Code	Certification Title	# of Credits
ADESK002	Autodesk Certified User - AutoCAD	3
ADESK008	Autodesk Certified User – Revit Architecture	3
ADESK011	Autodesk Certified User - Autodesk Inventor	3
ADESK021	Autodesk Certified Professional - CAD	3
ADESK024	Autodesk Certified Professional - Inventor	3
ADESK025	Autodesk Certified Professional - Revit	3
ADESK032	Autodesk Certified User - Fusion 360	3
ADOBE023	Adobe Certified Professional in Video Design	3
ADOBE024	Adobe Certified Professional in Visual Design	3
ADOBE025	Adobe Certified Professional in Web Design	3
CARCH002	Chief Architect Certified Apprentice	3
CPREC001	Child Development Associate	9
FDMQA030	911 Public Safety Telecommunicator	3
FEDAA013	FAA Ground School	3
HVACE001	HVAC Excellence Employment Ready - Heat Pump	4
HVACE002	HVAC Excellence Employment Ready - Air Conditioning	4
HVACE011	HVAC Excellence Employment Ready - Electrical	4
INTUT001	Quickbooks Certified User	3
MICRO080	Microsoft Technology Associate (MTA) - HTML5 Application Development Fundamentals	3
MICRO104	Microsoft Technology Associate (MTA)- Introduction to Programming Using Java Script	3
MICRO112	Microsoft Technology Associate (MTA)- Introduction to Programming Using Python	3
MICRO114	Microsoft Technology Associate (MTA) - Introduction to Programming Using Java	3
MSSCN001	MSSC Certified Production Technician (CPT)	15
NATEX001	Air Conditioning Service Technician	3
NCATT003	Aerospace/Aircraft Assembly (AAA)	9
NCCER018	NCCER HVAC - Level 1	3
NIASE076	ASE Auto Maintenance and Light Repair (G1)	3
NIFMS001	NIMS Machining Level 1 - CNC Milling: Programming Setup & Operations	3
NIFMS013	NIMS Machining Level 1 - Drill Press Skills 1	3
NRAEF002	National ProStart Certificate of Achievement	3
NRAEF003	Certified Food Protection Manager (ServSafe®)	3
SOLID003	Certified Solidworks Associate - Academic (CSWA-Academic)	3
USINS001	Small UAS Safety Certification	1

# VOLUNTEER SERVICE AND PAID WORK INFO SHEET

## ***Bright Futures Scholarship Volunteer Service and Paid Work Information Sheet***

Per the state of Florida, eligibility for a Florida Bright Futures Scholarship award requires that students meet grade point average minimums, take certain courses and meet testing requirements. For specific requirements concerning grade point average, courses needed and minimum SAT or ACT scores, please see the [Florida Bright Futures Website](#) and/or contact your high school counselor.

Scholarship eligibility also requires that students complete volunteer service or paid work hours as approved by the local school district for Florida Bright Futures Program. Students must be a high school student, enrolled in grades 9 – 12. (NOTE: Summer before 9<sup>th</sup> grade is acceptable once the student has been promoted to the 9<sup>th</sup> grade and IF the Volunteer Service/Paid Work Plan has been submitted.)

Florida Statute 1009.534, 1009.535, 1009.536 regarding the Bright Futures Volunteer Service and Paid Work:

The student must complete a program of volunteer service or, beginning with a high school student graduating in the 2022-2023 academic year and thereafter, paid work, as approved by the district school board, the administrators of a nonpublic school, or the Department of Education for home education program students, which must include:

- Florida Academic Scholarship – 100 hours volunteer service OR 100 hours paid work
- Florida Medallion Scholarship – 75 hours volunteer service OR 100 hours paid work
- Florida Gold Seal Scholarship - 30 hours volunteer service OR 100 hours paid work
- Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholarship - 30 hours volunteer service OR 100 hours paid work

The student may identify a social or civic issue or a professional area that is of interest and develop a plan for personal involvement in addressing the issue or learning about the area. The student must, through papers or other presentations, evaluate and reflect upon their volunteer service or paid work experience.

Such volunteer service or paid work may include, but is not limited to, a business or governmental internship, work for a nonprofit community service organization, or activities on behalf of a candidate for public office. The hours of volunteer service or paid work must be documented in writing, and the document must be signed by the student, the student's parent or guardian, and a representative of the organization for which the student performed the volunteer service or paid work.

# VOLUNTEER SERVICE OR PAID WORK PLAN

## Bright Futures Scholarship Volunteer Service or Paid Work Plan



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student # \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Florida Bright Futures Scholarships are based on specific academic requirements, and volunteer service or paid work hours earned in grades 9-12. The volunteer service and paid work hours are as follows:

- Florida Academic Scholarship – 100 hours volunteer service OR 100 hours paid work
- Florida Medallion Scholarship – 75 hours volunteer service OR 100 hours paid work
- Florida Gold Seal Scholarship - 30 hours volunteer service OR 100 hours paid work
- Florida Gold Seal CAP Scholarship - 30 hours volunteer service OR 100 hours paid work

Students must submit their Work Plan for planning purposes. If at any time the volunteer service or paid work plan changes, a new Plan should be submitted for review.

Current seniors who would like to be considered for any of the Florida Bright Futures award levels at the seventh semester eligibility review should submit the Volunteer Service/Paid Work Log no later than the end of the 1<sup>st</sup> semester. Seniors who complete their volunteer service or paid work hours during the eighth semester must submit the Volunteer Service/Paid Work Log prior to graduation to be considered for the Florida Bright Futures award in the reevaluation conducted following graduation.

This Plan is being submitted for:

- Volunteer Service Hours  Paid Work Hours

Section 1 - Identify a social issue, a civic issue, or a professional area of interest:

\_\_\_\_\_

Section 2 - Name of agency (or agencies) where volunteer service or paid work is to be performed:

\_\_\_\_\_

Section 3 - Type(s) of volunteer service or paid work to be performed:

\_\_\_\_\_

Section 4 - Method of self-evaluation of service or paid work experience: The intent of this section is to determine the method students will use to reflect upon the service work or paid work experience. Students consider the difference they have made in their community and/or the life-long learning skills of planning, organization, collaboration, and leadership they have acquired.

- Presentation  Personal response essay

Signatures - Student and Parent Signatures below indicate that student and parent understand that:

- Student may only earn service or paid work hours in Grades 9-12 (summer before 9<sup>th</sup> grade is acceptable after student has been promoted). Paid work hours are acceptable starting July 2022.
- Transportation to and from outside agencies and/or organizations is the responsibility of the family.
- I understand that volunteer service or paid work hours may not be earned through:
  - Court mandated community service
  - Family related activities or service to family members (ex. babysitting, completing assigned chores, etc.)
  - Religious activity which can be interpreted as proselytizing (definition: to advocate, promote or attempt to convert (someone) from one religion, belief, or opinion to another). This does not include religious education or service.
  - Donations, such as Locks of Love or giving blood
  - Service work that earns the student academic credit (except for credit earned through an approved service-learning course).
  - An activity where there is no responsible adult or supervisor on site to evaluate and confirm student performance.

Student's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

*Principal or designee signature below indicates that the student has presented an appropriate Volunteer Service/Paid Work Plan for meeting the volunteer service or paid work requirement of the Bright Futures Scholarship Program.*

Principal's (or Designee) Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_





# BRIGHT FUTURES SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

FFAA Application:

- <https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHome/SAPHome>
- Deadline to apply is Aug. 31 after the student's senior year of high school (after graduation).



# BRIGHT FUTURE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD AMOUNTS: GOLD SEAL VOCATIONAL & GOLD SEAL CAPE SCHOLARS

## Award Amounts

**Florida Academic Scholars (FAS)** will receive an award to cover 100% of tuition and applicable fees. Students attending a public institution will have tuition and applicable fees covered. Students attending a nonpublic institution will receive a comparable amount as noted in the [Private Award Chart](#). FAS students can receive an award during the summer sessions to cover tuition and applicable fees.

**Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS)** will receive an award to cover 75% of tuition and applicable fees. Students attending a public institution will have tuition and applicable fees covered. Students attending a nonpublic institution will receive a comparable amount as noted in the [Private Award Chart](#). FMS students can receive an award during the summer sessions to cover tuition and applicable fees. Beginning in fall 2021, students enrolled in an associate degree program at a Florida College System institution will receive an award to cover 100% of tuition and applicable fees.

The applicable fees for both FAS and FMS recipients include the activity and service fee, health fee, athletic fee, financial aid fee, capital improvement fee, campus access/transportation fee, technology fee and tuition differential fee.

Other award recipients will receive a fixed cost per credit hour based on award level, institution type, and credit type as outlined in the table below.

2021-22 Bright Futures Scholarship Per Hour Award Amounts			
	Credit Hour Award		Clock Hour Award
	Semester	Quarter	
<b>Gold Seal Vocational Scholars (GSV) &amp; Gold Seal CAPE Scholars (GSC)</b>			
Career Certificate Program (PSAV)	\$39	\$26	\$1.30
Applied Technology Diploma Program (ATD)	\$39	\$26	\$1.30
Technical Degree Education Program (AS, AAS, CCC)	\$48	\$32	\$1.60
Bachelors of Science (BS)* Bachelors of Applied Science (BAS)*	\$48	\$32	

\* GSC recipients who earn a qualifying A.S. or A.A.S. degree may receive an award toward a qualifying B.S. or B.A.S. degree.

A disbursed FAS student in each district is awarded an additional per credit hour award for fall and spring. FAS students who attend in the fall following high school graduation are ranked on the product of their Bright Futures weighted GPA and their best college entrance exam score.

2021-22 Academic Top Scholars			
	Semester	Quarter	Clock
Per Hour Award Amounts	\$44	\$29	\$1.47

The Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program has helped more than 725,000 Florida students attend a postsecondary institution. Bright Futures awards include: Florida Academic Scholars award (FAS), Florida Medallion Scholars award (FMS), Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars award (GS) and the Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars award (GSV).

# BRIGHT FUTURE SCHOLARSHIPS BROCHURE



STEP

1

Go to [www.brightfutures.org/SAPBFMAIN/FAFSA](http://www.brightfutures.org/SAPBFMAIN/FAFSA) to find out how to qualify for a Bright Futures Scholarship.

Go to [www.brightfutures.org/Aidsg.org](http://www.brightfutures.org/Aidsg.org) and submit a completed, error-free Initial Student Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) during your last year of high school, by graduation.

STEP

3

**Make the grade, earn the score...and graduate!** The Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program is created to establish a lottery-funded scholarship program to reward any Florida high school graduate who merits recognition of high academic achievement. The graduate must enroll in a degree program, certificate program or applied technology program at an eligible Florida public or private postsecondary education institution.