Bartram Trail High School SENIORS Class of 2022



Financial Aid Seminar

Presented by your school counselors

Instructions for seniors in the Financial Aid Workshop:

Do you know your social security number?

Yes, I do! - Do NOT share your SSN with anyone!

No, I do not! – Write your Student Number on a Post-it note. A school counselor will try to help.

What is Financial Aid?

Financial aid is ANY Resource that can help you pay for college.

- Grants (you don't have to pay back)
- Scholarships (you don't have to pay back)
- Work-Study (you don't have to pay back)
- Loans (you DO have to pay back)

You can use financial aid to help pay for:

- Tuition
- Books
- Room & Board
- Supplies
- Transportation

There are FOUR ways to apply for Financial Aid

Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Florida Financial Aid

Institutional Financial Aid

Private Scholarships

Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)

Who should apply?

EVERYONE who wants to go to any type of school after high school

When should you apply?

 October of your senior year AND every year after that while enrolled in college (check with your college for specific deadlines)

What does this application cover?

Grants, Federal Guaranteed Student Loans, and Work-Study provided by the Federal Government

What do you need?

Tax forms/records, social security number, and W-2 forms

How do you apply?

Go to https://fafsa.ed.gov/

COMPLETING THE FAFSA



CREATE YOUR FSA ID

Student needs an FSA ID

Parent(s) need an FSA ID

(They may already have one if you have a sibling already in college.)

https://studentaid.gov/fsa-id/create-account

Create an Account (FSA ID)







Parents

Students

Borrowers

Whether you're a student, parent, or borrower, you'll need to create your own account to complete federal student aid tasks.

What You Can Use Your Account For

- Filling out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form
- Signing your Master Promissory Note (MPN)
- · Applying for repayment plans
- · Completing loan counseling
- Using the Public Service Loan Forgiveness Help Tool

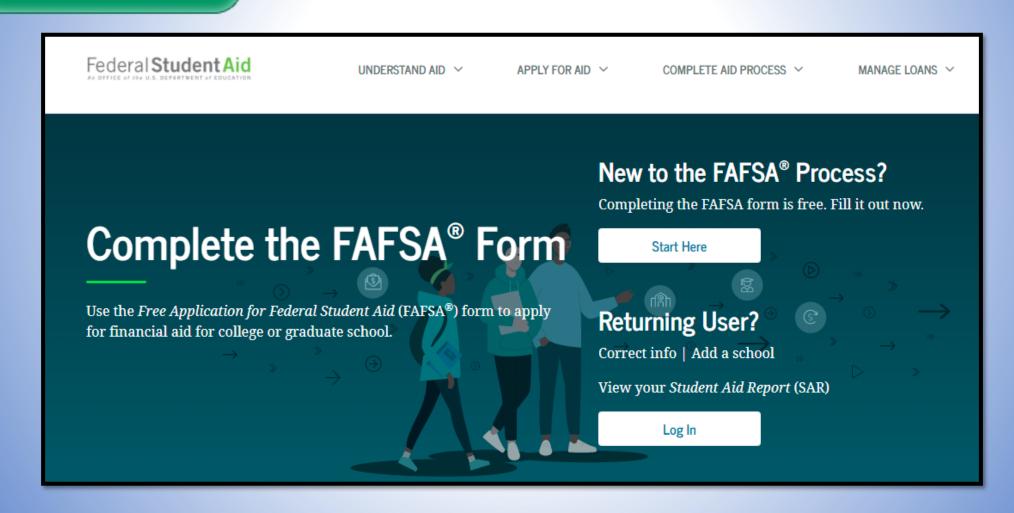
Items Needed to Create an Account

- Social Security number
- · Your own mobile phone number and/or email address

COMPLETING THE FAFSA

Step 2

www.FAFSA.gov



I finished the FAFSA, now what?

Student Aid Report (SAR)

- Summary of all the information that you put on your FAFSA
- Should receive it 1-4 days
- Check for mistakes and make corrections

Expected Family Contribution (EFC)

- Based on your parents' information (Income Taxes), this is the amount that your family is expected to pay towards your college tuition
- FYI if you are admitted to FIU and EFC is zero (0), tuition is FREE!!!
- Award Letters
 - Once you are accepted into a college, they will send you a letter explaining the financial aid they are offering you (grants, loans, work study etc.)
 - Compare these award letters from multiple schools

UNF - FAFSA Help Session Wednesday, October 13, 2021, at 5:00pm until 8:00pm



Looking for help with the FAFSA? October 15 is the UNF priority deadline for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), so please join the University of North Florida's Office of Financial Aid at a FAFSA workshop! Here's what you can expect during this visit:

- You will receive more information on Financial Aid and scholarships at UNF.
- You will be able to work on the FAFSA one-on-one with a Financial Aid counselor.

Advanced registration is required, LOOK on Schoology for Registration Link!



Don't let finances become a discouraging barrier!

Each year, millions of financial aid dollars go unclaimed.

This event provides qualified students with assistance in completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which is the first and most important step in applying for financial aid. Potential students who intend to enroll in college during the 2022-23 academic year can increase their chances of receiving financial aid by applying early and meeting deadlines.

Join us to receive personalized assistance!

Monday, October 4

Palatka Campus Viking Center 6 - 8 P.M.

Tuesday, October 5

Orange Park Campus

D Building

6 - 8 P.M.

Thursday, October 7

St. Augustine Campus H Building 6 - 8 P.M.

Florida Financial Aid

Who should apply?

EVERYONE

When should you apply?

Application opens October 1 (So apply NOW)

What does this application cover?

14 different Grants and Scholarships provided by the State Government, including Bright Futures!

What do you need?

Helpful hints guide located here: http://relschoolcounseling.weebly.com/resources--frequently-used-documents.html

How do you apply?

Go to http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/

Florida Academic Scholar (FAS) and Florida Medallion Scholar (FMS)

Type	16 High School Course Credits ¹	High School Weighted Bright Futures GPA	College Entrance Exams by High School Graduation Year (ACT®/SAT®)	Service Hours
FAS	4 - English (three must include substantial writing) 4 - Mathematics (at or above the Algebra I level) 3 - Natural Science	3.50	2021-22 Graduates: 29/1330 2022-23 Graduates: To be determined (TBD)	100 hours
FMS	(two must have substantial laboratory) 3 - Social Science 2 - World Language (sequential, in same language)	3.00	2021-22 Graduates: 25/1210 2022-23 Graduates: To be determined (TBD)	75 hours

Gold Seal Vocational Scholar (GVS) can only be used to fund: an Applied Technology Diploma, Technical Degree Ed Program (Associate in Applied Science or Associate in Science), or a Career Education Certificate Program.

Bright Futures Student Handbook

Snapshot of Bright Futures



- You must APPLY for the scholarship by submitting the Florida Financial Aid Application.
- Bright Futures Scholarships will renew automatically each year if the student maintains the required GPA and credit hours.
- If Seniors are planning to apply for Bright Futures, they should already be accumulating community service hours and turning them in to the Guidance desk. Hours must be turned in before Graduation Day!
- Seniors should try to meet all Bright Futures requirements by the end of the first semester.

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- Bright Futures GPA is NOT the same as report card GPA.
- Bright Futures weighs honors, AP, and dual enrollment classes equally with 0.5 per credit earned – NOT 1.0 weight for AP or DE!
- Bright Futures will also accept two additional academic electives toward the GPA calculation if it benefits the student.
- You are permitted to use qualifying scores from the June 2022, ACT or SAT to qualify for the Bright Futures test criteria if you did not qualify prior to graduation!

What should students do now to qualify for a Bright Futures Scholarship?

12TH GRADE

- Review your Bright Futures Report.
- See your school counselor if there are any errors on your transcript.
- Take note of what is "Missing" to qualify for each award.
- Take steps to improve your Bright Futures GPA if it is borderline.
- Submit any remaining service hours by winter break.
- Take or re-take SAT or ACT and report your scores to a Florida school.

Institutional Financial Aid

Who should apply?

Talk to the college/university financial aid office to determine what programs you will qualify for

When should you apply?

Contact college/university as every school has different deadlines

What does this application cover?

Grants and Scholarships provided by the University or College

What do you need?

 Usually, the FAFSA has to be filled out first but contact the college/university to find out more information

How do you apply?

College and Universities generally have a separate application process for financial aid

Applicants can apply beginning OCTOBER 20, 2021 through April.



Dear Scholarship Applicant,

Congratulations on your decision to pursue a college degree! You are well on your way to a bright and promising future as you make crucial decisions about your goals and chosen career path. On behalf of the SJR State Foundation, I would like to thank you for your interest in our scholarship program.

Your completed online application must be received between October 20 and April 1 to be considered for the scholarship program. Scholarships are typically awarded in early summer of each year for the following fall semester. Please note that the Foundation awards additional scholarships on a rolling basis as they become available.

Young adults have the power to make decisions that will impact this country and the world for years to come. It all starts with a good education, and the SJR State Foundation wants to help you on your journey to greatness. Please see below a detailed description of our online process for scholarships.

Sincerely,

Carolina D. Tingla

SJR State Vice President for Development and External Affairs

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	e first time you log in, you must create a new account e email address you provide is valid, all scholarship c	
New User?		Create New Account
New User? Please create a	new account.	Create New Account

Private Scholarships

Who should apply? EVERYONE

When should you apply? Now and continue searching for scholarships even when you're in college

What do you need? Academic history, letter(s) of recommendation, essay(s), scholarship application

How do you find scholarships?

- http://www.fastweb.com/
- https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search
- https://www.raise.me/
- Bartram Trail High School Counseling Website
- Parents' Employers
- Church and Civic Organizations
- Unions



Scholarship Tips

- Start searching for scholarships early and continue searching throughout college.
- Apply to EVERY scholarship for which you are eligible.
- Essays can be reused and tailored for each new application.
- Review your social media accounts and remove inappropriate material.

Get Organized!

Make a list of deadlines and don't miss them.

Keep a folder/file/binder with everything that is needed to apply for multiple scholarships.

- ACT/SAT/PERT scores
- High school transcript (request one from Parchment)
- Letters of recommendation (because you may be able to use one for multiple scholarships)
- Resume of activities, community service, and leadership roles
- Essays (because you may be able to use one essay for multiple scholarships)

Create a new email account solely for college information and make sure you have an appropriate email address.

- JohnSmith01@gmail.com (YES)
- BigDaddy01@gmail.com (NO)

Beware of Scams!



- NEVER pay for scholarships or searches.
- Scholarships are never "guaranteed".
- Feel too good to be true? It probably is! Do more research and ask around.
- Trust your instincts.
- Scholarships are gifts; they never have to be repaid.
- Never give out bank account, credit card, or social security information.



Please listen to these directions!

- Please take all of your belongings with you to a computer.
- Go to www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org
- Use the CHEAT SHEET at your computer!
- Make sure your email address and SSN are entered correctly.
- Your BF log in information will be sent to your email address.
- Continue working towards BF eligibility.

#1 - Go to the BTHS website, then click on School Counseling





#2 - Scroll down to Financial Aid, then click on Bright Futures

Private Colleges and Universities of Florida **FINANCIAL AID Financial Aid Bright Futures Community Service Hours** FAFSA – Free Application for Federal Student Aid **SCHOLARSHIPS** Scholarships - Information and Tine

#3 – Click on FLDOE – Bright Futures Information

Welcome to the

Office of Student Financial Assistance

Student Loans -Information for Students,Parents, Schools & Lenders

State Grants, Scholarships & Applications

Florida Automated System for Transferring Educational Records

Florida Department of Education









Mission Statement

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Go to www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org



Florida Student Scholarship Grant Programs

Once your Application is complete, this is where you will go to log back in.

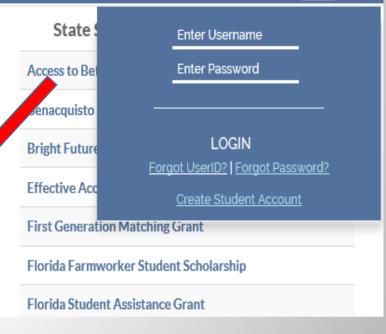


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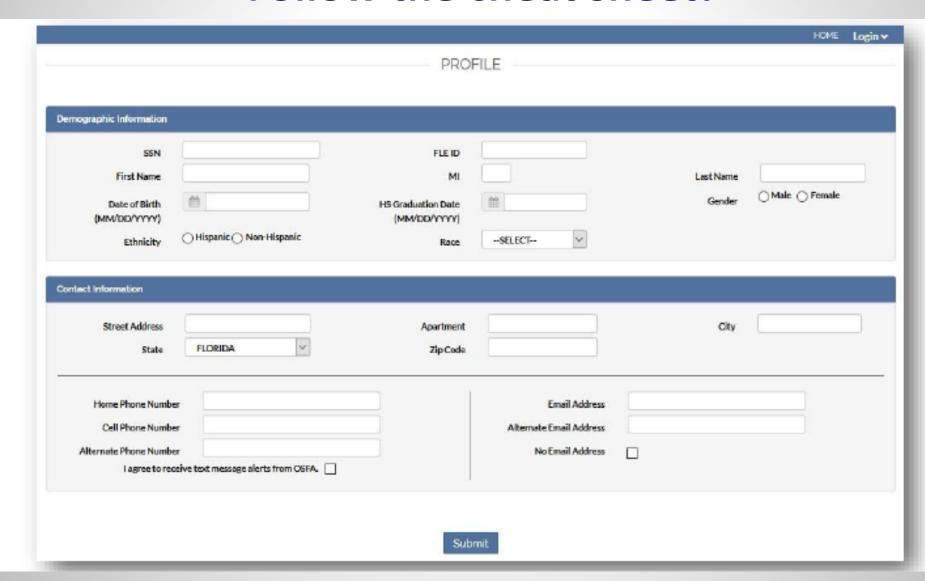


First-Time Applicants

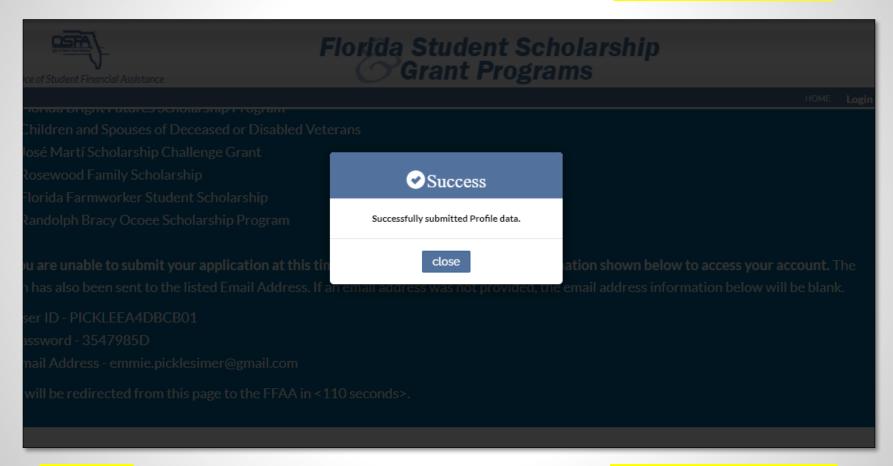
Students must submit a completed Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) to OSFA for programs denoted by an asterisk (*). In order to apply for State Scholarship & Grant Programs, a student must first <u>Create a Student Account</u>. After logging into your account, you may proceed to complete the FFAA.



You will first need to complete your Student Profile! Follow the cheat sheet!



You will see this screen once you have successfully submitted your **Profile Info**.



Next you will complete your **Application**.

Once you get to this screen, it is VERY important you follow these steps IN ORDER!

You have successfully completed your profile. To receive an evaluation for any of the programs below, <u>please click here to complete your Florida</u>

Financial Aid Application (FFAA). Scholarship programs included within the FFAA are:

- Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program
- Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans
- José Martí Scholarship Challenge Grant
- Rosewood Family Scholarship
- Florida Farmworker Student Scholarship
- Randolph Bracy Ocoee Scholarship Program

AFTER you have taken a picture, then click to continue the

#2

If you are unable to submit your application at this time, please write down the login information shown below to access your account. The login has also been sent to the listed Email Address. If an email address was not provided, the email address information below will be blank.

#1

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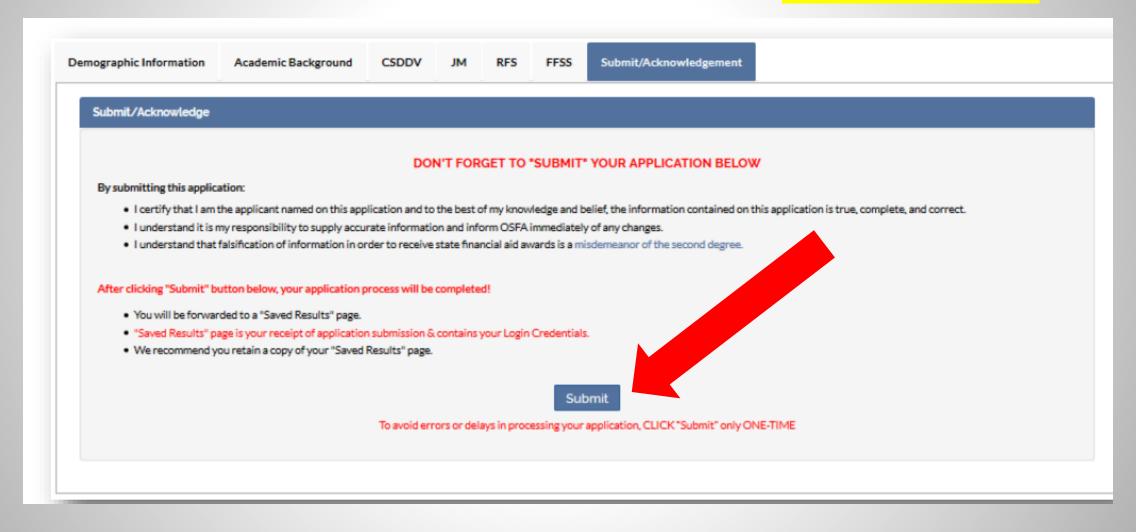
Password - I

Email Address -

FIRST, take a picture of your login information or write it down!!!

You will be redirected from this page to the FFAA in <84 seconds>.

Once you complete your Application, you will see this screen. It is VERY important you click SUBMIT!





For More Information

- Visit <u>www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org</u>
- Contact Customer Service 888-827-2004
- Email OSFA@fldoe.org
- www.FloridaStudentFinancailAid.org/FASTER/
- FSTR@fldoe.org