Bright Futures Application Helpful Hints

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

#1 Create your Student Account

Go to State Grants, Scholarships & Applications, then click 'State Grants, Scholarships & Applications'



Then click 'Create a Student Account'



Use the following information to assist you in creating your Student Account:

- 1. Social Security Number needs to match school records
- 2. FLE ID SKIP this question
- 3. First Name Needs to match school records!
- 4. MI Middle Initial; Needs to match school records!
- 5. Last Name Needs to match school records!
- 6. Date of Birth 4-digit year
- 7. High School Graduation Date 05/20/2026
- 8. Gender Male or Female
- 9. Ethnicity Choose Hispanic or Non-Hispanic
- 10. Race Select One
- 11. Street Address Put the number and Street name (no commas or hyphens)
- **12.** Apartment Skip if none
- 13. City Spell out the entire city name (Example Saint Augustine or Saint Johns)
- 14. State Florida
- 15. Zip Code Your 5-digit zip code
- **16.** Phone number at least one phone number is requested
- 17. E-mail address **IMPORTANT** this is the only way you will be able to reset your username/password!
- 18. VERIFY THAT YOU HAVE TYPED EVERYTHING IN CORRECTLY
- 19. Click Submit
- 20. Click Close



#2 Next, Complete your Application

IMPORTANT – BLUE BOX Quickly take a picture of your login information BEFORE proceeding!



- 21. FIRST, take a picture of your UserID and Password. You will also receive an email with this information.
- 22. Verify your demographic information is correct
- 23. At the bottom: Is Florida your state of legal residence? Yes
- **24.** Citizenship Status Have a green card? You are an Eligible Non-Citizen
- 25. Guilty of a felony charge SAY NO UNLESS YOU WERE CONVICTED OF AN ADULT FELONY
- 26. Are you a Dependent child or spouse of a veteran who has been classified as deceased or 100% disabled, POW or MIA You will need the veteran's information if answering yes
- 27. Family affected Rosewood incident You will need information on that ancestor if answering yes
- 28. Hispanic American You will need information about country of Hispanic origin if answering yes
- 29. Farmworker You will need information on eligibility if answering yes
- 30. Current African American resident of Ocoee, FL You will need information on eligibility if answering yes
- 31. Click Next
- 32. Will you graduate or have graduated from a Florida high school, Home School, or with a GED? Yes
- **33. Select your Florida high school graduation option** Public
- 34. Identify the Florida county where you attended school Saint Johns
- **35.** Select the Florida high school you attended Use the drop-down menu to select Bartram Trail High School
- 36. Have you or will you have earned a baccalaureate degree prior to the fall term of the 2025-26 academic year? No
- 37. BTHS does NOT provide an AICE Diploma nor IB Diploma. Only select Yes if you are an AP Capstone student.
- 38. Fall 2025 classified as Freshman, first time in college (even if you have taken dual enrollment)
- **39.** What is the location and name of the primary postsecondary institution you are planning to attend? Choose In State School (even if you think you're going out of state)
- **40. Select the Postsecondary location and institution you plan to attend-** Using the **five** drop down menus, put any state school that you're interested in right now, but make sure to update by June to reflect where you will go- this is where Bright Futures will send the \$\$\$\$\$\$
- 41. Click Next
- 42. If you answered YES to any of the Veteran, Rosewood, Hispanic American, or Farmworker questions, you will need to enter more information in this section. (If you answered no, this does not apply to you.)
- 43. Read the information carefully!!!!!
- 44. Click SUBMIT
- 45. Click Close. The next time you log in, you will be prompted to create a new password and security question. Write down this info!!! Your School Counselors do not have access to this.