Paying for School

Where can you find scholarships and financial aid?

There is no "one-stop shop". It is important to know some of the common avenues to explore to find scholarships <u>and</u> financial aid opportunities.

Below are some of the more common avenues:

Commonly Used Scholarship Search Engines/Websites









Bright Futures Scholarship:

(www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org)

-Available October 1st (Senior Year)

-Award Levels: Florida Academic, Florida Medallion, Florida Gold Seal CAPE, Florida Gold Seal Vocational -See your School Counselor or the website above to learn about eligibility requirements

FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)

(www.studentaid.gov)

- -Available December 1st (Senior Year)
- -Apply each year you are in college
- -Grants, loans, and student work study (based on eligibility)

IRSC Foundation Scholarships

Available January 2025

St. Lucie Education Foundation

Available TBD/Spring 2025

CSS Profile

(www.cssprofile.org)

- -Available October 1st
- -Application for institutional aid to over 400 colleges/universities
- -Must complete FAFSA
- -Allows you to explain special circumstances

Individual College/University

Financial Aid, Admissions, & Foundation Offices

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) Employer

Tuition Assistance Benefit

Tips: Be aware of scams. Keep deadlines in mind. Personalize your applications. Do not ignore scholarships with smaller dollar amounts. Double-check/proofread everything.