

2024-2025 Scholarship Info Night



State & National Scholarships



St Lucie Education Foundation Scholarships



NCAA (athletes)



Florida Bright Futures Scholarships



Tonight's Agenda

Introductions

Local/State/National Scholarships

St Lucie Education Foundation

(Door Prizes)

NCAA (Athletes)

FL Bright Futures Scholarships

Questions



SLWCHS Counseling Department

School Counseling Department

Assistant Principal - Susan Mannion

ELL Students - Daisy Diaz

Sophomores/Juniors/Seniors by Alpha:

A-Da - Kristin Alvarez

De-Ge - Rita Markowitz

Gh-Ma - Tabitha McAdoo

Mc-Ri - Kim Herring-Nance

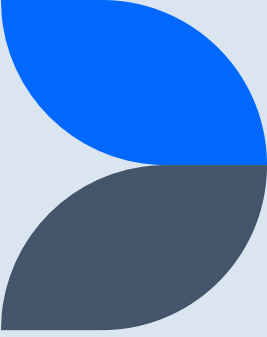
Ro-Z - Leslie Warner





Grad Coach - Jennifer Register

Guidance Clerk - Maria Miller

Registrar - Nicole Ancewicz

Local, State & National Scholarship ~ Searches and Tips



 <p>GRANTS Needs-based Don't have to pay back</p>	 <p>SCHOLARSHIPS Need or merit based Don't have to pay back</p>
 <p>WORK STUDY Need-based Don't have to pay back</p>	 <p>LOANS Pay back with interest Federal loans preferred over private</p>



Check your School email!!

Scholarships

Where can I find scholarships:

www.Fastweb.com

www.collegeboard.com/pay

www.goingmerry.com

www.salliemae.com

www.Scholarships.com

Your employer

Who can apply:

Most scholarship are for seniors.

There are several scholarships for underclassmen.

There is a difference between scholarships & contests.

Plan early!!



Offered by Universities

Community Service

Merit-based

Test scores

Arts

Heritage

Essay

Sports

For men

Residency

Need-based

Learning disability

Ethnicity

Specific majors

Military

Religious affiliation

First generation

For women

From Employers



When can I apply:

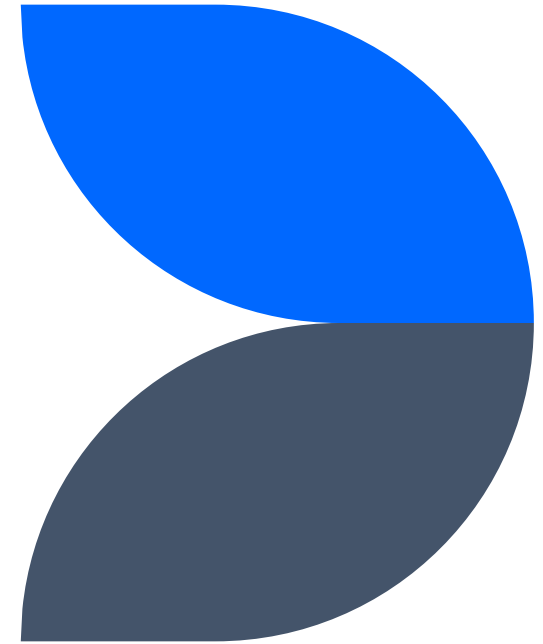
You can apply for scholarships at any point in high school...the **earlier** you start, the better.

Apply for scholarships **every year** (HS & College).

Do your research and apply for as many as you can.

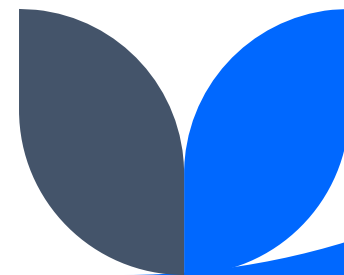
What else may I need:

- * Letters of recommendation
- * Community Service hours
- * Essays/Personal Statement
- * Clubs/Activities Log
- * Photo
- * Transcripts
- * FAFSA/Income
- * Awards list

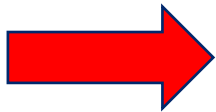


Additionally...

- Authentic scholarships do not cost anything to apply for them. Unfortunately, **scholarship scams** that cost money do exist!
- Renewable scholarships require students to **maintain eligibility** while in college.
- Most scholarship funds will be sent directly to the college/university's financial aid office to post to your account. Have that information readily available for your application.
- Always send a **"thank you"** note to your scholarship organization.



Join
Mrs. Nemo's
TEAMS page



College & Career TEAMS

Join the College & Career TEAMS page to find out about:

- Scholarships
- Volunteer/Community Service Opportunities
- NCAA Information
- College & University updates and events
- Pre-Collegiate Summer Programs



Students and Parents are encouraged to join.

SCAN ME

Parents will need to have or create their own Microsoft Teams account.
Parents: email Kayleigh.Nemo@stlucieschools.org to be added.

St. Lucie

PUBLIC SCHOOLS



STLUCIESCHOOLS.ORG



Seniors,

Need assistance with:

- ✓ Bright Futures applications/questions
- ✓ Scholarship applications
- ✓ College/University applications



Kayleigh Nemo, District College & Career Advisor
will be here to assist YOU!

WHEN: Friday, January 31st

WHERE: Media Center

TIME: 7:30 – 1:00pm

You may send her a Teams message to set up a time
or stop by with a pass from your teacher.



St Lucie Education Foundation

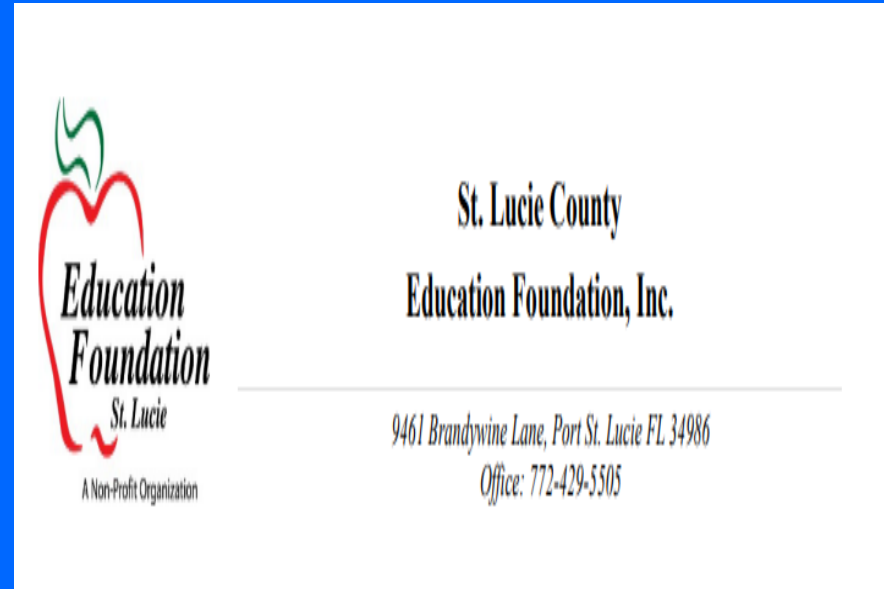
The Education Foundation is a non-profit association whose mission is to promote, encourage, and recognize excellence in public education, by **providing student scholarships**, teacher and school grants, and teacher and employee recognition.

With the support of many local organizations and individuals, the Foundation can ease some of the financial burdens of educators and schools in furthering student education.

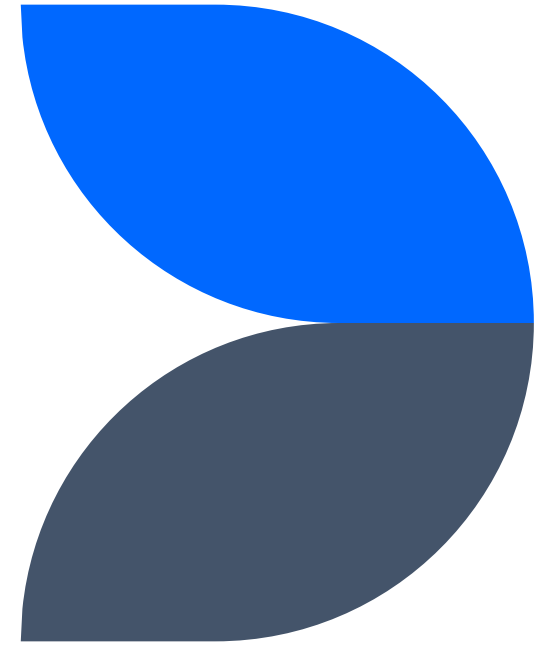


<https://www.educationfoundationstlucie.org/p/12/scholarships>

1. Online application opens in January 2025.
2. Over 60 scholarships.
3. Various deadlines.
4. Scholarships are for St Lucie Public School students **ONLY**.
5. Two sections of scholarships:
 - a. Foundation Scholarships (1 application)
 - b. Managed Scholarships (separate applications)



Door Prizes!!!





What is NCAA?

✓ Three Divisions

Eligibility Center accounts

✓ Academic requirements

✓ Amateurism requirements

Who should apply?

✓ Any student who plans on attending a Division I or II College/University and competing in intercollegiate athletics

*Recommend for junior college as well



The Student - Athlete



Example Schedule
How to Plan Your High School Courses to Meet the 16 Core-Course Requirement

4 x 4 = 16

9 th GRADE	10 th GRADE	11 th GRADE	12 th GRADE
(1) English (1) Math (1) Science (1) Social science and/or additional	(1) English (1) Math (1) Science (1) Social science and/or additional	(1) English (1) Math (1) Science (1) Social science and/or additional	(1) English (1) Math (1) Science (1) Social science and/or additional
4 CORE COURSES	4 CORE COURSES	4 CORE COURSES	4 CORE COURSES



How much does it cost to sign up for the NCAA Eligibility Center?



- Profile Page Accounts are FREE
- Certification accounts require a \$100 registration fee

Fee waivers for eligible applicants:

- If qualified for SAT/ACT waiver
- TRIO
- Upward Bound
- McKinney-Vento
- Public Housing



Junior Colleges (JUCOs) can be a pathway to the NCAA for student-athletes.

NIL - NIL stands for "name, image, and likeness". It's a policy that allows college athletes to profit from their personal brand and endorsements.

Valid email address – Be sure to use an email that is frequently checked and one that you will have access to after high school. The email you provide is where the NCAA will contact you if they have any questions about your account or require you to take additional steps.



Bright Futures Scholarship

General Requirements & The Basics|

1. Florida Resident and U.S. Citizen or eligible noncitizen
2. Earn a standard high school diploma, or its equivalent
3. Not have been found guilty of a felony charge, unless student was granted clemency
4. Be accepted by, and enroll in a degree or certificate program at, an eligible Florida public or independent postsecondary institution.
5. Be enrolled in at least six non-remedial semester credit hours per term
6. The Bright Futures application opens October 1st each year.
Students apply during their senior year.
7. Complete the FFAA (Bright Futures application) no later than August 31st
Students graduating one semester early and seeking to use funding for that spring semester complete the FFAA no later than December 31st of senior year.



Bright Futures Award Categories

- Students can qualify for one of the four award categories.
- Each category has specific requirements:
 - Coursework
 - GPA
 - Volunteer and/or work hours
 - Test scores (ACT, SAT, or PERT)
- There are other ways to qualify for FAS and FMS
 - Most common are earning your AICE or IB diploma
 - See BF Handbook for additional ways.

Award Acronym	Award Name
FAS	Florida Academic Scholars
FMS	Florida Medallion Scholars
GSC	Florida Gold Seal CAPE Scholars
GSV	Florida Gold Seal Vocational Scholars

Florida Academic & Florida Medallion

Type	16 High School College-Preparatory Course Credits ¹	High School Weighted Bright Futures GPA	College Entrance Exams by High School Graduation Year (ACT [®] /CLT [®] /SAT [®])	Volunteer Service Hours ²	Paid Work Hours ²
FAS	4 - English (three must include substantial writing) 4 - Mathematics (at or above the Algebra I level) 3 - Natural Science (two must have substantial laboratory)	3.50	2023-24 Graduates: 29/96/1340 2024-25 Graduates: 29/96/1340	100 hours	100 hours
FMS	3 - Social Science 2 - World Language (sequential, in same language)	3.00	2023-24 Graduates: 25/84/1210 2024-25 Graduates: 25/84/1210	75 hours	100 hours

¹ The required coursework aligns with the State University System admission requirements found in Florida Board of Governor's Regulation 6.002. Additional information regarding high school coursework can be found within the [Florida Counseling for Future Education Handbook](#).

² Students must earn the required volunteer service hours, 100 paid work hours, or a combination that totals a minimum of 100 hours.

Gold Seal Vocational & Gold Seal Cape

Gold Seal Vocational (GSV)

- Must be enrolled in a career education (A.S. or A.A.S) or certificate program
- Weighted 3.0 GPA in non-elective high school courses
- Take at least 3 full credits in a single CTE program
- Unweighted 3.5 GPA in career education course
- Complete 30 service hours, 100 paid work hours, OR 100 hours of a combination of both.
- Achieve a minimum score on one of the college entrance exams (SAT, ACT or PERT)

Gold Seal Cape (GSC)

- Must be enrolled in a career education (A.S. or A.A.S) or certificate program
- Earn a min. of 5 postsecondary credit hours through CAPE industry certifications that count for college credit
- Complete 30 service hours, 100 paid work hours, OR 100 hours of a combination of both.



Q & A