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MEMORANDUM

TO: Financial Aid Directors at Postsecondary Institutions Participating in State Scholarship and Grant Programs

FROM: Shawn Haskin,
Director, State Scholarship and Grant Programs

DATE: April 1, 2026

SUBJECT: Postsecondary Certifications for State Student Financial Aid Programs

Postsecondary institutions (PSI) are asked to provide academic information for their students who apply for state-funded financial aid programs. Please review below for programs, deadlines and data required for PSI certification of restoration applicants.

To assist with timely 2026-27 program evaluations, please submit the institutional cumulative grade point average (GPA) certification (**as of the end of the spring 2026 term**) for the three programs below by May 15, 2026.

1. Rosewood Family Scholarship (RFS)
2. Scholarships for Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans (CSDDV)
3. Randolph Bracy Ocoee Scholarship Program (OCOE)

Please note there are two years of certification available for Bright Futures students with the deadlines listed below.

Certification Instructions

- Go to www.FloridaStudentFinancialAidsg.org;
- **Log in** and select **Postsecondary Institution**; and
- Select **Initial/Renewal Reporting**.

Suzanne Pridgeon
Deputy Commissioner, Finance and Operations

Program Deadlines for PSI Certification

June 5, 2026: Deadline for 2025-26 Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program PSI Certifications. The 2025-26 Bright Futures Student Reinstatement/Restoration (BF-RR) Application remains open through May 30, 2026. Please certify the institutional cumulative GPA and/or hours for these students by June 5, 2026.

June 4, 2027: Deadline for 2026-27 BF-RR PSI Certifications. The 2026-27 BF-RR Application remains open through May 30, 2027. Please certify the institutional cumulative GPA and/or hours for these students by June 4, 2027. The 2026-27 Bright Futures **restoration applicants** will be evaluated after PSIs have certified:

- Institutional cumulative GPA and/or hours **as of the end of the spring 2026 term**; and/or
- Institutional cumulative GPA and/or hours through summer 2026, if it benefits the student.

Should a student's reported grade and hours lead to an eligible status, this will count as the student's one-time restoration opportunity.

Security

The financial aid director or appointed security designee is the contact for your institution. Please note that all User IDs and Passwords are deactivated after 150 days of inactivity. If you forgot your password or your access has been deactivated, please contact the security designee at your institution to reset your password or reactivate your User ID.

Webinar Information

OSFA will host an informational training session on Tuesday April 14, 2026, from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM (EST) for school personnel to better understand the topics outlined in this memorandum and address general questions.

To request attendance, please send an email to Pedro.Hernandez@fldoe.org with the following information:

- Attendee's First and Last Name,
- Email Address,
- Phone Number, and
- Institution Name.

If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Rob Ivany at Robert.Ivany@fldoe.org or call 888-827-2004.

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