High School Students

State Programs

Initial Eligibility

October
- Initial Student Florida Financial Aid Application opens October 1

January
- Service Hours and Test Score deadline for Bright Futures Early Evaluation is January 31
- Bright Futures Mid-Year Graduate Final Eligibility deadlines is January 31

February
- Bright Futures receives Early Evaluation transcripts for seniors

March
- Bright Futures Early Evaluation results posted on student’s Financial Aid Recipient History (FARH)**
- Login and check the status of your award online

April
- April 1 application deadline for José Martí Scholarship Challenge Grant Fund, Scholarships for Children/Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans, Randolph Bracy Ocoee Scholarship Program, and Rosewood Family Scholarship

May
- Bright Futures service hours deadline for Final Evaluation – speak to a high school counselor for specific deadline date

June/July
- Test date deadline for Bright Futures Final Evaluation is June 30
- Final award notifications posted for in June for the Rosewood Family Scholarship and José Martí Scholarship Challenge Grant Fund; award notifications posted in July for Scholarships for Children/Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans

August
- Bright Futures Final Evaluation results posted on student’s FARH
- Login and check the status of your award online
- Final award notifications posted for Florida Farmworker Student Scholarship and Randolph Bracy Ocoee Scholarship Program

*For Mid-year Graduates: Early Evaluation – Service hours and test scores deadline is June 30; Final Evaluation – Service hours and test scores deadline is January 31 with final status posted in February. Deadline to apply is December 31.

**Eligibility status is only posted online to student’s FARH.
Table of events:

**July - September**
- Students verify accuracy of information online
- Award amounts posted online
- Funding disbursed by postsecondary institution after last day of drop/add for fall term

**November**
- Academic Top Scholars selected and notified on student’s Financial Aid Recipient History (FARH)

**January**
- Funding disbursed by postsecondary institution after the last day of drop/add for spring term

**February**
- Reinstatement/Restoration Application opens
- Check the status of your application online

**May/June**
- Grade and hours reported by postsecondary institution
- Students automatically evaluated for renewal based on cumulative GPA and total hours earned for the year submitted by postsecondary institutions

*Students may change information online. Eligibility status is only posted online to student’s FARH.*