

## News from Ms. Greene, BRACE Advisor

Greetings from the Brace Office! Please call (754) 323-1817 with any questions you may have regarding BRACE News.

**Bookings** - I have set up my Bookings App page. If you would like to schedule a brief meeting (25 minutes or less) **or** a post-secondary conference (approximately 45 minutes) you can log in to: <https://outlook.office365.com/owa/calendar/MsGreeneBraceAdvisor@browardcountyschools.onmicrosoft.com/bookings/>

Brace Office Website:  
[bit.ly/sbhsbrace](http://bit.ly/sbhsbrace)

**FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid** - The 2021-2022 FAFSA opened on **Oct. 1st**. Students and families will need to use 2019 income tax information to complete the FAFSA. The FAFSA is not only for the "financially needy." I encourage all families to complete the FAFSA as a complete FAFSA may open the student up to scholarship opportunities. Additionally, I suggest that all students check off that they are interested in the work-study program. This does not require them to work, but it does give the opportunity to be reviewed for on campus jobs. Families can always decline loans or any other offers that they do not want.

\*\*Students and families can complete the 20-21 FAFSA now, using their 2018 tax information. Then they can just do an update for the 21-22 FAFSA, after October 1st, using their 2019 taxes.

**FFAA - Florida Financial Aid Application** - The FFAA is an application that students complete in order to be reviewed for Florida Aid. I often refer to it as the Bright Futures authorization form. This website opened Oct. 1st. Students have between Oct. 1st of their senior year to graduation to complete this form. I will be scheduling a virtual Bright Futures authorization day. I suggest that you wait to complete this form until then, as I will explain the Bright Futures program as well as other financial aid opportunities. If you would rather not wait, here is the link: <https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/SAPHome/SAPHome?url=home>.

**South Broward Virtual College Visits** – Representatives from universities all around the country have scheduled virtual visits with South Broward to meet with YOU! The visits are held after school from 3:30 – 4:30 pm. These visits are a great opportunity to see if a school is the right fit for you, learn about scholarships opportunities and speak with the individuals who will be the first people to read your applications! If there is a school that you are interested in it is a good idea to add them to your “colleges that I am thinking about” list. This way you will get a personal invite to their visit. Also, you may be notified if they are hosting any events outside of our school visits.

## October:

10-14 - Barry University - <https://barry-edu.zoom.us/j/87395387615> (Links to an external site.)

10-14 - Sheridan Technical College

- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88649314128?pwd=dGFMdDJTdmJYNVRnbTJxMWxDdEFUUT09> (Links to an external site.)

10-15 Washington & Jefferson College - <https://washjeff-edu.zoom.us/j/2050885896> (Links to an external site.)

10-15 Webber International University - <https://zoom.us/j/97173512197> (Links to an external site.)

10-20 Florida Institute of Technology - <https://admissions.fit.edu/register/?id=8f7ad8cb-3f4c-459d-9f30-7f712de8acd4> (Links to an external site.)

10-21 Hamilton College - <https://hamilton.zoom.us/j/93157144442> (Links to an external site.)

10-22 Florida Polytechnic University

- <https://floridapoly.zoom.us/j/97733089897?pwd=ZTU1cmF4QkxWZGUxVlliNU9HbXBhUT09> (Links to an external site.)

10-26 New College of Florida

- <https://ncf.zoom.us/j/96296149784?pwd=ekVOblR3T2k5NzZQYk83ektuaUhHUT09> (Links to an external site.)

10-27 University of West Florida - <https://uwf.zoom.us/j/92027662122> (Links to an external site.)

10-28 Flagler College - St. Augustine

- <https://flaglercollege.zoom.us/j/98808494849?pwd=c0ljTGNVLzdRM3BLZUpCUjI3Qm1RUT09> (Links to an external site.)

10-29 Keiser University - <https://zoom.us/j/9493699512> (Links to an external site.)

10-29 Marymount University - <https://marymountuniversity.zoom.us/j/99744960283>

## November:

11-2 Lynn University - <https://lynn-edu.zoom.us/j/94942473262> (Links to an external site.)

11-4 University of Central Florida

- <https://ucf.zoom.us/j/99443399053?pwd=R2tRWkZHQnoyc1ppSEdiY1hZRzY1QT09> (Links to an external site.)

11-5 Saint Leo University - <https://saintleo.zoom.us/j/94275524847> (Links to an external site.)

11-9 Florida International University - <https://fiu.zoom.us/j/97103522205> (Links to an external site.)

11-10 University of Colorado -Denver - <https://ucdenver.zoom.us/j/95413841965> (Links to an external site.)

11-12 Valdosta State University

- <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/72890428486?pwd=TEIYU090VEVCeHVBOVBJTWJaTzq2Zz09>

## Off Campus Events -

Students can register here:

<https://heydays.io/events/b2l-virtual-college-and-career-fair>



### [Bridge 2 Life Virtual College and Career Fair - Heydays](https://heydays.io/events/b2l-virtual-college-and-career-fair)

Join us for the B2L October 21st Virtual College and Career Fair! Here is your opportunity to engage with Florida colleges, Ivy League schools and HBCUs. We will kick off with information sessions on college admissions, FAFSA, scholarships, higher education options during high school and careers. Then you will have the chance to Zoom directly with colleges and universities of your choosing!

[heydays.io](https://heydays.io)

## Common Black App College Fairs

<https://commonblackcollegeapp.com/>

**Bright Futures Scholarships Update** - Beginning in fall 2021, Bright Futures Florida Medallion Scholarship students enrolled in an associate degree program at a Florida College System (FCS) institution will receive 100 percent of tuition and specific fees. Upon completion, a student may transfer their award to another institution and receive 75 percent of tuition and specific fees.

- Review the [Bright Futures Handbook](#) for changes

New test scores from the class of 2021. Florida Academic Scholars (FAS) – minimum ACT® composite score of 29 or minimum SAT® combined score of 1330. Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS) – minimum ACT® composite score of 25 or minimum SAT® combined score of 1210.