

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

The **2021–22 FAFSA® FORM** will still launch
on **OCT. 1, 2020**, at 1 a.m. Eastern time.



How to get ready for Fafsa

- 1** Create an FSA ID
- 2** Gather the necessary documents
- 3** Fill out the FAFSA application



These are the three big steps to receiving financial aid by filling out the FAFSA...for free! Stay tuned for more details into each of these key steps!

To Qualify for FAFSA you must:

- 1** Be a citizen or an eligible non-citizen
To find out if you are an eligible non-citizen visit
<https://studentaid.gov/help/eligible-noncitizen>
 - 2** Have a valid Social Security Number
- OR
- 3** Have an Alien Registration Number



Scholarships! There are a lot of them. And when I say a lot, I mean it. Here is a list of generally noteworthy ones:

- QuestBridge Link: <https://www.questbridge.org>

Deadline: September 29th, 2020 Award: Helps outstanding low-income high school seniors gain admission and full four-year scholarships to selected colleges in the US

- Coca-Cola Scholarship Link: <https://www.coca-colascholarsfoundation.org/apply/#programs>

Deadline: October 31st, 2020 Award: 150 scholars are selected each year to receive a \$20,000 scholarship

- Elks National Foundation Scholarship Link:

<http://www.elks.org/scholars/scholarships/mvs.cfm>

Deadline: November 15th, 2020 Award: First place winners will receive \$50,000. Second place - \$40,000. Third place - \$30,000. Fourth place - \$20,000. Runners up - \$4,000

- [Haz La U Program](#)
1 The Hispanic Heritage Foundation and Colgate-Palmolive
Amount: Varies
- [Horatio Alger National Scholarship](#)
2 The Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, Inc.
Amount: \$25,000
- [Horatio Alger State Scholarships](#)
3 The Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, Inc.
Amount: \$10,000
- [Horatio Alger Career & Technical Scholarships](#)
4 The Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, Inc.
Amount: \$2,500
- [The Cooke College Scholarship Program](#)
5 The Jack Kent Cooke Foundation
Amount: \$40,000

- 6 [Save a Life Scholarship \(2020\)](#)
American Academy of CPR & First Aid, Inc.
Amount: \$1,500
- 7 [YoungArts' National Arts Competition](#)
National YoungArts Foundation
Amount: \$10,000
- 8 [All American \\$1000 Car Review/Essay Scholarship](#)
CarHP
Amount: \$1,000
- 9 [Montem Health and Wellness Scholarship](#)
Montem Outdoor Gear
Amount: \$1,500
- 10 [Don't Text and Drive Scholarship](#)
Digital Responsibility
Amount: \$1,000

Fastweb National Scholarships

Fastweb has launched its [National Scholarship Directory](#). This Directory categorizes scholarship opportunities to provide students an efficient way to find opportunities that apply to them.

For more scholarships, here are some helpful websites:

<https://www.unigo.com/scholarships>

<https://www.scholarships.com/>

<https://bigfuture.collegeboard.org/scholarship-search#>

Want to qualify for Bright Futures? Get started now!



Florida Academic Scholars

Requirements:

- 3.5 Recalculated GPA
- SAT=1330 or ACT=29
- 100 Service Hours

Award:

- 100% tuition for a Florida Public college/university
- \$300 extra per semester

Florida Medallion Scholars

Requirements:

- 3.0 recalculated GPA
- SAT= 1210 or ACT=25
- 75 community service hours

Award:

- 75% tuition for Florida Public college/university
- Equal \$ amount as public for private institutions

Gold Seal Vocational Scholars

Requirements:

- 3.0 Recalculated weighted GPA
- Complete 3 full credits in a single Career and Technical Education program
- 3.5 unweighted GPA in the career education courses
- SAT= 24 Reading, 25 Writing and lang, 24 Math
- ACT= 17 English, 19 Reading, 19 Math
- PERT= 106 Reading, 103 Writing, 114 Math
- 30 Service hours

Requirements:
- 30 service hours
- Minimum of 5 postsecondary credit hours through CAPE certifications that articulate for college credit

Awards:
- Gold Seal Vocational scholars and Gold Seal Cape Scholars receive \$39 and \$48 per credit hour respectively

To apply for a Bright Futures Scholarship, you must submit a Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) by August 31st of your senior year. Students can also qualify through the programs:
National Merit Scholars
National Hispanic Scholars
International Baccalaureate (IB)
Advanced International Certificate of Education Diploma (AICE)

TO LEARN MORE:
<http://www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/>

State University System

[Florida SUS Matrix 2020 2021.pdf](#)

Admission to a state university in Florida is processed totally at the university. Universities base their admission criteria on minimums set by Florida Board of Governors Regulations however, they may establish higher standards. As a result of the institutions' space, faculty, resources, and policy limitations, several qualified students may, out of necessity, be denied admission to one or more of the state universities, but may be accepted for admission to others. High school students should work with guidance counselors to find the best fit for their educational needs and qualifications.

[6.001 General Admissions \(Links to an external site.\)](#)

[6.002 Admission of Undergraduate First-Time-in-College, Degree-Seeking Freshmen \(Links to an external site.\)](#)

Below are the 12 state universities in Florida:

- [Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University \(Links to an external site.\)](#)
- [Florida Atlantic University \(Links to an external site.\)](#)
- [Florida Gulf Coast University \(Links to an external site.\)](#)
- [Florida International University \(Links to an external site.\)](#)

- [Florida Polytechnic University \(Links to an external site.\)](#)
- [Florida State University \(Links to an external site.\)](#)
- [New College of Florida \(Links to an external site.\)](#)
- [University of Central Florida \(Links to an external site.\)](#)
- [University of Florida \(Links to an external site.\)](#)
- [University of North Florida \(Links to an external site.\)](#)
- [University of South Florida \(Links to an external site.\)](#)
- [University of West Florida \(Links to an external site.\)](#) (Links to an external site.) (Links to an external site.)

HBCUs



Today, all 101 HBCUs across the United States continue to play a vital role in America's prosperity — academically, socially, and economically.

HBCUs are also becoming a magnet for international students - largely due to their strong academic programs, affordability, and diverse & inclusive environments.

Although HBCUs were originally founded to educate Black Americans, today 1 in 4 students (24%) enrolled at HBCUs is non-Black (Links to an external site.).

For more information on HBCUs check out: <https://hbcuconnect.com>