

The Foundation for Seminole County Public Schools 2018 Senior Student Scholarship Application

Information Page Due 3/30/18 4 P.M.

The Foundation for Seminole County Public Schools will award the following scholarships to deserving students planning to attend community colleges, 4-year colleges and universities, or vocational-technical programs throughout the country. Scholarships are privately funded by individuals and the business community, are managed by **The Foundation for Seminole County Public Schools**, and are viewed as an investment in the education of the students of Seminole County.

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for these scholarships, an applicant must:

- be a 2018 graduating senior of a Seminole County public high school;
- enroll as a full-time undergraduate student in a postsecondary university (public or private), fine arts school, community college or vocational-technical programs for the 2018-2019 year (except where noted);
- Submit a completed application, including reference letter(s), official transcript (in a sealed envelope), SAT and/or ACT scores, evidence of college acceptance or processing, and student essay (specific to scholarships) to The Foundation for SCPS Scholarship Committee. Applications must be received in our office by **Friday, March 30, 2018, 4:00 p.m.**;
- provide proof of college registration and Social Security Number upon award of this scholarship;
- Note: Financial need will be considered in some circumstances, so you must detail financial need under "Statement of Financial Need", and in your essay if applicable.

No person shall be denied the opportunity to apply for the award because of race, creed, age, color, national origin, sex, or family status.

Value of Scholarship

These are one-year (non-renewable) scholarships, which will be sent directly to the college or university of your choice (except where noted).

Application Deadline: Friday, March 30, 2018, 4:00 p.m.

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Scholarships will be awarded at the Senior Awards Night at the recipient's school or, if not possible, at an agreed upon time and place.

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Please indicate by **checking the appropriate box** for the scholarship(s) for which you are applying and attach Pages 2- 4 to your application. Applicants need to submit only one application even if applying for more than one scholarship. However, please note the specific requirements for each scholarship, and include all materials needed for the scholarship for which you are applying. Check all that apply.

Brown Midway Scholarship – Award: \$1,000.00

Requirements: Graduating African American student attending **any Seminole County public high school** that has been accepted to a 4-year college or university; currently reside in Midway (Sanford, FL); possess a minimum 2.50 GPA and present a letter of recommendation from a high school AND community leader.

Raymond Gaines Scholarship - Award: \$1,000.00

Requirements: Graduating student must attend **any Seminole County public high school**; possesses a 3.0 or higher GPA; has been accepted to a 4-year college or university; will pursue a degree in education or an education-related field; and must have completed or in the process of completing 25 hours of community service. Each applicant must submit a 300 (maximum) word typed essay that describes why the applicant wants to enter the teaching profession, and present one letter of recommendation each from a high school and community leader.

Anthony J. Hall Midway Scholarship – Award: \$1,000.00

Requirements: Graduating student must attend **any Seminole County public high school**; has been accepted to a 4-year college or university; **currently resides in the Midway (Sanford, FL) community**; and possesses a minimum 2.50 GPA. Each applicant must complete a 200-500 (maximum) word typed essay describing the impact and importance of a college education in his/her life, and present one letter of recommendation each (total of 2) from a high school and community leader.

Eric Stephen Krylic Memorial Scholarship - Award: \$1,000.00

Requirements: Graduating student must attend **Lake Mary or Lyman High School** and possess a minimum 2.50 GPA. Student must plan to pursue undergraduate studies in the visual arts. Student must exhibit financial need. Each applicant must submit a 200-500 (maximum) word typed essay describing the importance of art in his/her life.

Kuiper Scholarship - Award: \$2,000.00

Requirements: Graduating student of **any Seminole County High School**, who has an overall (weighted) 3.50 GPA. Each applicant must submit a two letters from teachers and/or administrative staff. Selection should be based on academic performance and financial need.

The Seminole County Retired Educators Scholarship Fund - Award: \$1,000.00

Requirements: Graduating student must attend **any Seminole County public high school** and possess a minimum of 2.5 GPA. The student must plan to pursue undergraduate studies in any field relating to public service. These fields include police and criminal justice, firefighting, EMT/paramedic, and medical/technical. Applicants will be required to complete the application which will include an essay and information on membership in service organizations and

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community service accomplished. Also submit two letters of recommendation from teachers or administrative staff.

❑ **Eddie Campbell Memorial Scholarship – Award: \$500.00**

Requirements: The applicants must be a **Lyman High School** Junior Varsity OR Varsity graduating senior wrestler. In addition to citizenship, sportsmanship and demonstrated academic ability, the applicants must show dedication to team and personal progress to continue on to post-secondary education. The applicants must submit an essay describing what their wrestling experience has meant to them AND what they feel they have contributed to the team AND include how long they have been participating in the Lyman High School wrestling program. The applicants must present a letter of recommendation from their wrestling coach AND one other teacher. The recipient must be enrolled at a community college, 4 year college/university or technical/trade school by the following spring semester after graduating from Lyman High School in order to receive this one time award.

❑ **Lalit K. Masih Memorial Art Scholarship – Award: \$1,000.00**

Requirements: Graduating senior of **any Seminole County High School** pursuing higher education in visual arts or art history. GPA above 2.5%. Student does not have to have financial needs, but if there is need, please specify. Submit two letters of recommendation from teachers/admin staff and 250-500-words outlining the importance of art in his/her life and how this award will help them pursue their goals. Essays will be judged on vision and motivation rather than on writing skill.

❑ **Dede Schaffner Scholarship – Award: \$3,000.00 ***NEW*****

Requirements: Graduating senior of **any Seminole County High School**, who has an overall (weighted) GPA of 3.5. The student must be planning to attend an accredited 4-year college or university or technical program. Must have performed community service during his/her high school career. Must submit a 500-word essay on future plans. Student must show financial need. Student must have qualified to receive a Bright Futures Scholarship (75% or 100%). Must have an employment history. Also submit three letters of recommendation from teachers or administrative staff.

❑ **Connie E. Collins Scholarship – Award: \$2,500.00 ***NEW*****

Requirements: Graduating female senior of **any Seminole County High School** who has been accepted at an accredited college or university. Applicants for the Connie E. Collins scholarship award must have a 3.0 or higher weighted grade point average, and demonstrate financial need. The scholarship is to be awarded to a young woman who intends to pursue a career in health, education, or computer science. Applicants should submit a short essay (250 words maximum) on “Making an Impact in a Global Society”, describing how they intend to positively impact our society through their chosen field of study.

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APPLICATION FORMAT AND SUBMISSION

Due 3/30/2018 4P.M.

Application Process

Enclose the following items in the EXACT order listed below, in a large manila envelope.
(Please use the appropriate postage.):

1. Completed Scholarship application - incomplete applications will not be considered.
2. Official high school transcript of grades 9 through 12 (in a separate sealed envelope from Guidance);
3. SAT and/or ACT Scores;
4. Essays – IMPORTANT (specific to scholarships);
5. Letter of personal reference from your school (others if applicable);
6. Evidence of college acceptance or processing (unless otherwise specified);
7. Attach Information Pages 2 and 3.

APPLICATION REVIEW AND SELECTION PROCESS

All applications shall be reviewed by the Scholarship Committee of **The Foundation**, which shall award points based upon scholastic standing in courses related to career goals, citizenship, extracurricular activities and work experience, the legibility of the application, essay, and financial need, where applicable.

DISBURSEMENT OF AWARDS

The number of scholarships awarded will be determined by the total funds available for the scholarship program. The recipient must use the award within one year of issuance. A check in the amount of the award shall be disbursed to the educational institution that the student will attend (unless otherwise noted). In the event the recipient decides not to use the scholarship, he/she must notify **The Foundation for Seminole County Public Schools** immediately. **Selection of the winners is final.**

(Please type or print information)

Student Information

Name: _____ Age: _____
Last First Middle

Address: _____
Street City Zip

Telephone: _____ County: _____

Email Address: _____

School: _____ Guidance Counselor: _____ Telephone: _____

Cumulative GPA _____ SAT Score _____ ACT Score _____

Schools to which you have applied: _____ Accepted? _____

_____ Accepted? _____

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_____ Accepted? _____

Florida School You Plan to Attend: _____

Field of Study: _____

Family Information

Father: _____

Address: _____

Street	City	State	Zip
Employer: _____	Position: _____	_____	_____

Mother: _____

Address: _____

Street	City	State	Zip
Employer: _____	Position: _____	_____	_____

Parents: MARRIED: _____ DIVORCED: _____

Dependents living at home:

BROTHERS/SISTERS: _____ AGES: _____

OTHERS: _____ AGES: _____

Please respond to the following, using a separate sheet of paper. Number your responses 1-5 as shown below.

- Statement of Financial Need:**
Include information you would like the Committee to consider, such as number of dependents in the home, occupation(s) of parent(s), family income, etc. You are encouraged to submit copies of the most current income tax return or other verification of household income, but this is not required. All information is confidential. If parental assistance is not available, how do you intend to finance your education? Explain why you need financial assistance to continue your education.
- School Activities/Recognition/Honors:**
Academic, athletic, vocational, and extracurricular; including leadership roles.
- Community Activities:**
Clubs and organizations, volunteer services, church/synagogue/mosque, etc.
- Employment Experiences:**
Employers, length of employment and job description.
- Education and Career Goals - ESSAY:**
In a 200-500 (maximum) word typed essay, describe future goals, including the field in which you intend to major. NOTE: Some scholarships have different essay requirements, so read scholarship information carefully. The essay is weighted heavily in the judging process. In the event of applications with similar qualifications, the essay will be the determining factor.
- Personal Reference:** - Recommendation from a high school staff member or guidance counselor

Have you applied for/received other financial aid or scholarships? (Circle one) YES NO

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List: _____

Are you eligible for the Bright Futures Scholarship? (Circle one) YES NO

Have you already received financial aid? (Circle one) YES NO Amt. received: \$_____

Signature of Applicant (Mandatory)

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian (Mandatory)

Date

Sending Application

Hard copies via mail or hand-delivery are preferred over fax and e-mail. Please use a large manila envelope for mailing your application(s). The application form, official transcript, essay, SAT scores and/or ACT scores, reference letter(s), and college acceptance letter must be mailed in the same envelope. Transcripts and reference letters may be sealed in separate envelopes, but must be included in the large envelope in order for your application to be considered. Note: Failure to comply with steps in applying will result in application being disqualified.

Return completed information packet via mail, fax or e-mail to:

Roderick Henderson, Business Manager
The Foundation for Seminole County Public Schools
400 E. Lake Mary Boulevard
Sanford, FL 32773-7127
(407)320-0181 (phone) (407)320-0285 (fax)
Foundation_Scholarships@scps.k12.fl.us (e-mail)

Notification

The scholarship recipients will be notified by his/her school administration after all applications are reviewed by the committee.

NOTE: This information is considered confidential and will not be released without your written permission. If you are selected to receive a scholarship award, please sign here to give The Foundation for Seminole County Public Schools permission to honor you on our website by publishing (1) your name, (2) high school attended, (3) name of institution where you plan to continue your education, and (4) your intended field of study.

Student Signature

Date

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