Class of 2024 College Scholarship Opportunities

Application Opens: January 5, 2024
Application Deadline: February 20, 2024 at 11:59pm **

To Apply Visit:
https://edfoundationac.awardspring.com

- All applicants must be high school seniors attending an Alachua County Public School.
- As part of the online application process, students will be required to:
  - Answer a general questionnaire detailing general academic and financial information.
  - Upload a personal resume detailing academic and extracurricular activities.
  - Submit a Letter of Recommendation from a teacher, guidance counselor, coach, employer, or community leader.
  - The students must upload their full high school transcript to their Award Spring Application. This can be downloaded from Skyward and does not have to be official. The applicant’s College Placement Test scores (ACT, SAT, and PERT) can be found towards the end of their transcript and be included.
  - Answer the following short essay questions:
    - Describe your plans for college education and your future career goals.
    - Describe a special attribute, accomplishment or experience that you believe sets you apart.
- Please note: some scholarships require applicant to submit additional information.

For more information visit:
www.EdFoundationAC.org
Or contact Program Director Tatila Paul (Brock) at (352) 955-7250 Ext. 6416 or brocktt@gm.sbac.edu
Scholarship Opportunities Available:

1992 Rams Black Alumni $1,000 Scholarship (EHS students only): The Eastside High School Class of 1992 will award two $1,000 scholarships to Eastside seniors who demonstrate leadership and teamwork. The students must have a 3.0 GPA or higher and plan to attend a Historically Black College or University (HBCU).

Alachua Business League Scholarship (SFHS students only): Three $2,000 scholarships will be awarded to aspiring business professionals or business owners. Student must have attended Santa Fe High School for at least two years and plan to attend Santa Fe College full-time to be eligible for this scholarship. The scholarship is sponsored by the Alachua Business League.

*Alachua County Public Schools Support Staff Scholarship:* A $1,000 scholarship will be awarded to an ACPS senior who is a child of a school board of Alachua County employee who works as a support personal worker. This includes a food service worker, custodian, school bus driver or para professional.

*Alachua County Retired Educators Association Scholarship:* A $1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a student planning a career in teaching and who plans to major in education in college. The student must have a 3.0 GPA or higher and plan to attend a college or university in the state of Florida. Preference will be given to a student with an SAT score of 1150+ or ACT score of 26+.

*Barbara Finlayson Memorial Scholarship:* (EHS Institute of Culinary Arts students only): A $1,000 scholarship will be awarded to an EHS Culinary Arts Institute student who is planning to continue their education in culinary arts. This memorial scholarship was established to honor Barbara Finlayson, a former teacher and professional chef who generously volunteered her time and talents to improve the EHS program.

*Bauman Family Scholarship:* A $3,000 scholarship will be awarded to an Alachua County Public School senior who plans to attend Santa Fe College to pursue a career in a technical education program. Preference will be given to students enrolling in the Construction and Maintenance Programs of study offered at Santa Fe College. Two letters of recommendation are required. This scholarship was established in 2022 by the Bauman Family.

*Believe, Achieve, Succeed Salvamoser Family Scholarship:* A $1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a worthy and deserving high school senior with a 3.0 GPA or higher who wish to attend college. This is a financial need-based scholarship.

*Carol Mattox Memorial Scholarship:* Is a $1,000 scholarship that will be awarded to a student at Newberry High School in the Future Farmers of America (FFA) program. The student must have a 2.5 GPA or higher and demonstrate dedication and teamwork. Her family and friends established this scholarship in memory of Carol Mattox.

*Clyde Beal & Ed Roberts - Rotary Club of Gainesville Scholarships:* Two students will be awarded a $2,000 scholarship from the Rotary Club of Gainesville. The student must have a 2.5 GPA or higher. These scholarships were established in honor of Clyde Beal & Ed Roberts.

*Craig S. Oransky Memorial Scholarship:* A $1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior who is a member of the tennis team and who has demonstrated qualities of leadership, dedication and teamwork.

*Dr. Dan and Susan McKinnon Memorial Scholarships (LHS students only):* Four $2,000 scholarships will be awarded to Loften High School seniors who plans to continue their education at Santa Fe College in a
career/technical education program. This scholarship is in memory of Dr. McKinnon, a dedicated educator who influenced countless lives with his passion for vocational education and genuine kind, caring nature.

Dr. E. A. Cosby - Gainesville Alumni Chapter, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. Scholarship: A $2,000 scholarship will be awarded to a student who has at least a 2.5 GPA and plans to attend a 4-year college or university.

Dr. Eva A. Dimitrov Memorial Scholarship (BHS Students Only): Dr. Dimitrov, a Gainesville physician and Buchholz parent, established a tradition and legacy of community service in our area and abroad. A $5,000 scholarship will be awarded in her memory to a Buchholz High School senior with financial need. Students will be required to submit an additional letter of recommendation for a total of two letters submitted.

Ernest M Lee Visual Arts Scholarship: A $1,000 scholarship will be awarded to an Alachua County Public School senior who plans to major in visual arts in college. Preference will be given to a student who participated in visual arts including drama and theatre during their high school career. The scholarship was established by friends of the Star Center Theatre.

FAMU Alachua County Alumni Scholarship: Three $1,000 scholarships will be awarded to students who have a 3.0 Unweighted GPA, demonstrate financial need and who will attend Florida A&M University (FAMU) for the 2024-2025 academic year.

Frankie W. and Robert B. Ayer Jr. Memorial Scholarship: A $1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a high school senior with a 3.0 GPA or higher. The student must be planning to attend a state of Florida HBCU college/university; studying teacher education, science, technology, engineering, arts, or math (STEAM). This scholarship is dedicated in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Ayer Jr., who together, served over 60 years, teaching, leading, mentoring, and inspiring students of Alachua County Public Schools.

Fred Sivia & Beverly Cannon Memorial Scholarship (GHS students only): One $5,000 scholarship will be awarded to a Gainesville High School senior. The student must have a 3.5 GPA or higher and submit an additional essay. This scholarship was established in memory of Fred Sivia Jr. and Beverly Cannon two long-term Alachua County Public School system employees who functioned as an outstanding team in providing leadership for our school system’s facilities department.

There is an additional essay (approx. 500 words): Please research the cultural impact of any one of the following and discuss your findings while also selecting one song and describing how and why it appeals to you.

1. Early Motown on the Civil Rights and anti-war movements

2. Early Bob Dylan on the Civil Rights and anti-war movements

3. John Denver on the peace and environmental movements
Future Educator JumpStart Scholarship: The Education Foundation is offering JumpStart Scholarships for graduating students who demonstrate financial need and meet the eligibility requirements. Recipients receive a 1-Year Florida Prepaid College Plan valued at over $3,100 to attend a Florida public college, university, or career and technical college. The Future Educator JumpStart Scholarship is for a student who must be entering the educational field, broadly defined, and can include fields such as school paraprofessionals and school-related employment. Preference will be given for graduates from the Academy of Future Teachers at Gainesville High School.

Gainesville Charitable Foundation Scholarship: The 10th Masonic District will award six $1,000 Santa Fe College scholarships to at least one hardworking student from each school in the district.

GFWC Alachua Woman’s Club Scholarship (SFHS students only): One $1,000 scholarship will be awarded to one female graduate of Santa Fe High School Class of 2023. Student must have been taking classes on Santa Fe High School campus for 2 years and be receiving their high school diploma from SFHS.

GHS Class of 1962 Scholarship: A $3,500 scholarship will be awarded to an outstanding and deserving Gainesville High School graduating senior in honor of the GHS Class of 1962.

Greg Schol Cross Country/Track Memorial Scholarship: A $2,000 scholarship will be awarded to a Buchholz Cross Country/Track Team Member with demonstrated leadership and teamwork qualities. The student must have a 2.5 GPA or above. This scholarship was established to honor the memory of Greg Schol an outstanding 1992 BHS graduate and team leader.

GRU Brighter Tomorrow Scholarship: This $4000 ($1,000 each year) scholarship will be awarded to qualified applicants aspiring to become an engineer. The students must enroll at either University of Florida, Florida A&M University (Engineering Schools), another HBCU or Santa Fe College (and then transfer to UF’s College of Engineering). Preference will be given to applicants who can be identified as first-generation college students and whose family may have financial challenges that hinder their ability to pay for school. Strong preference will be given to applicants who are a part of underrepresented populations as it related to the engineering field.

HCA Florida North Florida Hospital Unlock Possibilities Scholarship: Two $2,350 scholarships will be awarded to two students planning to major in nursing. The student must have a 3.5 GPA or higher and participation in one of the healthcare academies highly recommended. This scholarship was established by HCA Florida North Florida Hospital.

Herman J.W. Gauggel and Evelyn H. Gauggel Scholarship: Need-based scholarships for worthy and deserving high school seniors in Alachua County, Florida who wish to attend college and study scientific and related fields such as engineering. Two students will receive $3,000.

Infotech STEM Career Support Scholarship: Two $2,000 scholarships will be awarded to seniors who have a 2.5 GPA or above and who plan to pursue a career in a Science, Technology, Engineering or Math (STEM) field. The student should have a financial need. This scholarship was established by Infotech in 2023.

Jean McCall Memorial Scholarship (GHS students only): One $1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a student who is a part of the Gainesville High School Academy of Future Teachers and completes the program. The student must have a 2.0 GPA and be planning to major in education. Priority will be given to students who are not receiving other scholarships.

Jon Howard Snyder, Jr. Thespian Troupe 3614 Scholarship (GHS students only): This $2,000 scholarship shall be awarded to a graduating senior who is, and has been for at least two years, a member of the Theatre Department of Gainesville High School. The student should demonstrate qualities of dedication and teamwork,
to honor the memory of Jon H. Snyder, Jr., a 1996 GHS graduate and passionate thespian. This is a financial-need based scholarship sponsored by Jonny’s parents, father Jon H. Snyder, Sr. and wife Sheri’ Snyder, and mother Sonia McKenna and husband Mike McKenna.

**Joseph A. Domenech, III Memorial Scholarship (GHS Cross Country/Track Team Members only):** A $2,500 scholarship will be awarded to a member of the Gainesville High School Cross Country or track team. The student must have a 3.0 GPA or higher. This scholarship was established in memory of Joseph Domenech, a 1994 GHS graduate.

**Katie's Foundation Scholarship (BHS students only):** This scholarship was established in memory of Katie Beth Morgan, a Buchholz graduate who was passionate about working with children. One $5,000 scholarship will be awarded to a deserving Buchholz High School student who represent Katie’s Foundation motto, ‘Dedicated to caring, sharing and making the world a brighter place.’ The student must have a 2.5 GPA or higher and be planning to attend Santa Fe College or The University of Florida. Priority will be given to students who are not receiving other scholarships.

**Kiwanis Club of Gainesville, Florida Foundation (Key Club students at Buchholz, Eastside and Gainesville High School only):** Two $1000 scholarships will be awarded to Key Club students who have demonstrated outstanding volunteer service to the school community and/or nation at one of the following high schools: Buchholz, Eastside and Gainesville High School (one scholarship per school). These scholarships are named in honor of Ned Cannon and Sam Butz.

**Lenton & Marie Herring $1,000 Scholarship:** A $1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a deserving student in honor of two educators who retired in 2007 with more than 70 years of combined service to Alachua County students. Lenton Herring worked at Hawthorne High School as a teacher and dean for 37 years while Marie Herring taught math at both Hawthorne and Eastside High School.

**Martha Stark Memorial Scholarship (GHS Band Members only):** One Gainesville High School band student will be selected for this $4,000 award in memory of former band director Martha Stark. Field of study is not limited to music and two letters of recommendation from people other than GHS band directors must be included with application. The selected student will receive $1,000 each year for a maximum of four years if enrolled in college full time with a minimum 2.50 GPA.

**Medical Skills JumpStart Scholarship:** The Education Foundation in partnership with HCA Florida North Florida Hospital is offering a JumpStart Scholarship for a graduating senior who demonstrate financial need and meet the eligibility requirements. Recipients receive a 1-Year Florida Prepaid College Plan valued at over $3,100 to attend a Florida public college, university, or career and technical college. The Medical Skills JumpStart Scholarship is for a student who must be entering the medical field, broadly defined, can include fields such as medical technicians, CNAs, equipment sterilization, patient transport, food service or medical supply chain. Preference will be given for graduates from the Medical Skills Program at Eastside High School.

**Mr. John Dukes Jr. Memorial $1,000 Scholarship:** A $1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a deserving student who plans attend a Historically Black College or University (HBCU) and plans to major in an Education, Math or Science field. The student should demonstrate financial need and have completed community services hours. This scholarship is in memory of John Dukes, Jr. who dedicated 50 years of service to the Alachua County Public Schools system. Mr. Dukes Jr. was the principal at the old Lincoln High, the first principal at Eastside High, and served his remaining time as the assistant Superintendent.

**Pinkoson Scholarship (Professional Academies @ Loften High School Students Only):** Two Professional Academies students will be selected for this $2,000 scholarship to fund their Post-Secondary education to gain further knowledge and experience in their chosen field.
Rays of Hope Foundation Scholarship: A $1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a high school senior planning to attend a vocational or technical school. The student must have a 2.5 GPA or higher and demonstrate dedication and teamwork. Preference will be given to a student not receiving other scholarships. This scholarship is sponsored by Rays of Hope Foundation.

Robert Alan Eubank Memorial Scholarship (GHS students only): The Robert Alan Eubank Memorial Scholarship is awarded annually to a GHS student who has demonstrated through their actions a genuine concern for others above self and who reflect Rob's outlook on life: to live each day to the fullest, to choose to be positive in all situations, to forgive easily and to work to improve the lives of others. The scholarship is for $2,000.

The Judy Edwards Memorial Scholarship: A $2,000 scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior who is a member of the Take Stock in Children Program.

The Linda Hoosier Scholarship: A $2,000 scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior who is a member of the Take Stock in Children Program.

The Shafer Family Merit Scholarship: This is a $1,000 merit-based scholarship for a Buchholz High School senior planning to attend and accredited University. The senior must have a minimum 3.6 GPA (4.4 Weighted), a minimum of 200 community service hours, and involvement in extracurricular activities with a leadership role.

The Shirley Hughes Memorial Scholarship: A $2,000 scholarship will be awarded to a graduating senior who is a member of the Take Stock in Children Program.

Twila Robinson-Browder Legacy of Love Scholarship - This $1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a high school senior who is graduating with a 3.2 or higher GPA. The student can use the scholarship at any two-year or four-year college, university or technical school. Students wanting to apply will need to write an additional essay using the topic, ‘What is the importance of love and the need to love?’ Essays should be at least 500 words.