

**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**Consent Item**  
November 18, 2014

**SUBJECT:** Approval of Amendment to Rule 6A-20.027, Rosewood Family Scholarship Fund

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

For Approval

**AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

Section 1009.55(2), Florida Statutes, provides the Board authority to act on this item.

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This rule is amended to conform to legislative changes. The proposed rule renames the Reinstatement/Restoration Application for Students and Teachers to be called the Reinstatement/Restoration Application; programs for teachers were repealed. The proposed rule updates the term state community college to Florida College to reflect current statutory naming conventions. The 2014 Florida legislature amended Section 1009.55, Florida Statutes, to award a maximum of \$6,100 to 50 applicants, increased from \$4,000 to 25 applicants. Since the award amount and number of scholarships are in current statute, this information is being removed from the rule.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** Proposed Rule 6A-20.027, Rosewood Family Scholarship Fund. Form FFAA-3, Florida Financial Aid Reinstatement/Restoration Application is available upon request or from the Department's website at:  
<http://www.fldoe.org/board/meetings/>

**Facilitator:** Linda Champion, Deputy Commissioner, Finance and Operations

**6A-20.027 Rosewood Family Scholarship Fund.**

(1) General eligibility criteria for awards. To receive aid, a student shall meet the provisions of Sections 1009.40, 1009.42 and 1009.55, F.S. and Rules 6A-20.001 and 6A-20.0371, F.A.C., and:

(a) Be a direct descendent of the Rosewood ~~f~~Family.

(b) If an initial applicant, submit a completed application to the Department, Form FFAA-1, Florida Financial Aid Application ~~for Students~~, as incorporated by reference in Rule 6A-20.019, F.A.C., by the established April 1 deadline. If a reinstatement or restoration applicant, submit a completed Form FFAA-3, Florida Financial Aid Reinstatement/Restoration Application (effective December 2014) (insert link)~~for Students and Teachers~~ to the Department by the established April 1 deadline. Form FFAA-3 is hereby incorporated by reference in this rule ~~to become effective with the effective date of this rule~~. A copy of Forms FFAA-1 and FFAA-3 may be obtained from the Office of Student Financial Assistance, Department of Education, 325 West Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400.

(c) No change.

(d) Be enrolled in an undergraduate degree or certificate program at a state university, state Florida ~~community~~ College, or state postsecondary vocational-technical school. A certificate-seeking student must be enrolled in a program that requires a minimum of nine hundred (900) clock hours to complete.

(e) through (6) No change.

(7) Amount of award. The amount of each annual award is set in statute ~~may not exceed four thousand (4,000) dollars; the amount of tuition and fees in the state university system, the public community colleges or the public postsecondary vocational-technical schools for the equivalent of fifteen (15) semester hours or four hundred fifty (450) clock hours per term of undergraduate study; or the amount established in the General Appropriations Act, whichever is less. If the appropriation is insufficient to provide the maximum award to each of the twenty five (25) recipients, the amount of each award will be prorated.~~

(8) Award procedures. The Department will make awards based on the annual appropriation, not to exceed the number of full awardees set in statute ~~twenty five (25) scholarship awards per year.~~

(a) through (10) No change.

Rulemaking Authority 1001.02(1), 1009.55(2) FS. Law Implemented 1009.40, 1009.55 FS. History—New 10-30-94, Amended 10-15-02, 9-22-08, 10-25-10.



# FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

## Florida Financial Aid Reinstatement/Restoration Application

Florida Department of Education  
Office of Student Financial Assistance  
325 West Gaines Street, Suite 1314  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0400

1-888-827-2004

[www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org](http://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org)

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## 2014-15

# Florida Financial Aid Reinstatement/Restoration Application Conditions

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**IMPORTANT: RETAIN THESE CONDITIONS FOR YOUR RECORDS.**

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### GENERAL INFORMATION

- The *Florida Financial Aid Reinstatement/Restoration Application* applies only to grants and scholarships administered by the Florida Department of Education (FDOE), Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA). This application is not used to apply for grants and scholarships offered by private organizations or other entities in the State of Florida. Students must complete the *Free Application for Federal Student Aid* (FAFSA) in order to be considered for federal scholarship, grant, or loan programs and certain state-funded scholarships and grants.
- Students may apply for reinstatement/restoration for the programs listed below by the dates indicated:
  - José Martí Scholarship Challenge Grant Fund – April 1, 2014
  - Rosewood Family Scholarship Program – April 1, 2014
  - Scholarships for Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans – April 1, 2014
  - Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program – May 30, 2015
- Additional program-specific conditions follow the Conditions section.

### Activate your User ID and PIN - **Know it, Use it, Be Responsible** for your state financial aid!

- It is your responsibility to ensure all required certifications and additional documentation are submitted to OSFA on or before the program deadline. Detailed program information is available at [www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org](http://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org) or by calling toll-free at 1-888-827-2004.

### CHANGES IN INFORMATION/TRANSFERS BETWEEN INSTITUTIONS

- If you change your postsecondary institution during the application process, please be aware that not all state-funded programs can be used at all institutions. For details on updating information and/or transferring your Bright Futures award between institutions, please click the following link:  
<http://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org/SSFAD/PDF/BFHandbookChapter2.pdf>.

### APPEALS

- For further information regarding the appeals process for your Bright Futures award, please click the following link:  
<http://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org/SSFAD/PDF/BFHandbookChapter3.pdf>.

### USE OF THE APPLICANT'S SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER (SSN)/ NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

The Privacy Act of 1974 requires state agencies to inform applicants of the reasons for requesting their Social Security Numbers (SSN). The FDOE requests an SSN on all applications for student financial assistance in order to correctly identify applicants, match each applicant's financial aid record with the student record at the postsecondary institution the applicant attends, and help coordinate state student aid programs with federal student aid programs.

An applicant will not be denied financial assistance for failure to disclose the SSN. Without an SSN, correct identification of an applicant's record cannot be assured and may result in an error in the award amount or a delay in the disbursement of an award. However, if you do not have or chose not to provide an SSN on the *Initial Student Florida Financial Aid Application*, the "Social Security Number" field will generate your assigned Pseudo Number.

Pursuant to Section 1000.05, Florida Statutes, state student financial assistance is provided to eligible applicants without discriminating on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, gender, disability, or marital status. Minority status will be considered when required by law as a condition of eligibility or selection.

## FLORIDA BRIGHT FUTURES SCHOLARSHIP

**A. A reinstated student** refers to an eligible student who did not receive funding during the previous academic year (fall through spring). Please refer to the website below regarding specific requirements for a reinstated student. The requirements for reinstated students are specific to the year you graduated from high school.

<http://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org/SSFAD/PDF/BFHandbookChapter3.pdf>

**B. A restored student** refers to a student who lost eligibility for a specific program award due to an academic standard(s) deficiency, and, after the subsequent summer or at least one academic year without specific program funding, re-established eligibility for a specific program award. Please refer to the website below regarding specific requirements for a restored student. The requirements for restored students are specific to the year you graduated from high school.

<http://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org/SSFAD/PDF/BFHandbookChapter3.pdf>

**C. To request reinstatement or restoration, a student must:**

- Submit a *Florida Financial Aid Reinstatement/Restoration Application*. The academic year for which a student is applying is noted at the top of the application.

**Note:** A Spring/Summer Cohort student refers to a student who may receive the Bright Futures award for no more than two semesters in a given academic year with specific renewal, reinstatement, and restoration requirements per Section 1009.215, Florida Statutes. Please refer to the website below regarding specific requirements for a Spring/Summer cohort student.

<http://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org/SSFAD/PDF/BFHandbookChapter3.pdf>

## JOSÉ MARTÍ SCHOLARSHIP CHALLENGE GRANT

**A. A reinstated student** refers to an eligible student who did not receive funding for the previous academic year (fall through spring). A student who was previously eligible for an award, but did not accept an award during the previous academic year may apply for reinstatement.

**B. A restored student** refers to a student failed to meet the GPA required for renewal. The student will lose eligibility for renewal for at least one academic year. A student may apply for restoration during a subsequent application period by April 1. A student who failed to earn the minimum number of credit hours will not be allowed to restore.

**C. To request reinstatement or restoration, a student must:**

- Submit a *Florida Financial Aid Reinstatement/Restoration Application*. The academic year for which a student is applying is noted at the top of the application.
- Submit a completed, error-free *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)* processed by May 15th prior to the academic year for which funds are requested.

## ROSEWOOD FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**A. A reinstated student** refers to a student who is a Rosewood descendant and who was eligible for an award, but did not accept an award during the previous academic year (fall through spring). The student may apply for reinstatement.

**B. A restored student** refers to a student who is a Rosewood descendant and who fails to earn the minimum number of credit hours and/or GPA required for renewal. The student will lose eligibility for renewal for at least one academic year. A student may apply for restoration during a subsequent application period by April 1.

**C. To request reinstatement or restoration, a student must:**

- Submit a *Florida Financial Aid Reinstatement/Restoration Application*. The academic year for which a student is applying is noted at the top of the application.
- Submit a completed, error-free *Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)* processed by May 15th prior to the academic year for which funds are requested.

## **SCHOLARSHIPS FOR CHILDREN AND SPOUSES OF DECEASED OR DISABLED VETERANS**

**A. A reinstated student** refers to a student who was eligible for an award, but did not accept an award during the previous academic year. The student may apply for reinstatement if the student meets general eligibility requirements.

**B. A restored student** refers to a student who fails to earn the minimum number of credit hours and/or GPA required for renewal. The student will lose eligibility for renewal for at least one academic year. A student may apply for restoration during a subsequent application period by April 1.

**C. To request reinstatement or restoration, a student must:**

- Submit a *Florida Financial Aid Reinstatement/Restoration Application*. The academic year for which a student is applying is noted at the top of the application.

**The Department will electronically collect the student's cumulative GPA and/or credit hours from the last Florida postsecondary institution the student attended as degree- or certificate-seeking.** The cumulative GPA and/or credit hours, as reported by the postsecondary home institution, will determine the student's eligibility to restore. A student must include an official transcript **only** if the postsecondary institution was out-of-state. An official transcript from an out-of-state postsecondary institution should be mailed to:

Florida Department of Education  
Office of Student Financial Assistance  
Centralized Programs  
325 West Gaines Street  
Suite 1314  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0400



Application Checklist and Responsibilities  
2014-15 Florida Financial Aid Reinstatement/Restoration Application  
Student Responsibilities for State Scholarship and Grant Program Applicants

**Keep track of your application process. This is for your records only.**

- Submit Application** – Students must submit a completed *2014-15 Florida Financial Aid Reinstatement/Restoration Application* to the Office of Student Financial Assistance (OSFA) to be considered for state scholarships and grants. Submit **one application** for consideration of the following programs:

<b>Program</b>	<b>Deadline</b>
• José Martí Scholarship Challenge Grant Fund	April 1, 2014
• Rosewood Family Scholarship Program	April 1, 2014
• Scholarships for Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans	April 1, 2014
• Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program	May 30, 2015

- Keep All Information** – Print a copy of the application and the Saved Results page and keep a record of all information sent to and from OSFA.

- Activate your User ID and PIN - Know it, Use it, Be Responsible for your state financial aid!**

- Access your User ID and PIN the day after you apply by going online to [www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org](http://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org) and select:
  - State Grants, Scholarships & Applications
  - Application Status & Award History
  - Get My User ID and PIN

- Review Your Application Status and Certifications** – Review certifications and application status frequently to ensure that certifications are complete by program deadlines. Retrieve your User ID and PIN to access your status page at [www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org](http://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org). Select “State Grants, Scholarships & Applications” and “Application Status & Award History.” Under “Reinstatement/Restoration Application Status” select “Application/Certification.”

- Update Information** – Keep your e-mail and postal mail addresses, telephone numbers, as well as the postsecondary institution you plan to attend updated.

- Watch for a Bright Futures Award or Denial Notification** – Following eligibility or ineligibility determination, a Bright Futures award or denial notification will be posted to your Financial Aid Recipient History.

- Watch for Award or Denial Notifications from other State Scholarships and Grants** – Beginning in **June**, notifications will be posted to your Financial Aid Recipient History screen for:

- José Martí Scholarship Challenge Grant Fund
- Rosewood Family Scholarship Program
- Scholarships for Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans

- Check with your Postsecondary Institution Financial Aid Office** – All funds are sent directly to eligible postsecondary institutions. Each postsecondary institution has its own disbursement process. Check with your institution to find out when and how you will receive your scholarship and grant funds.

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
OFFICE OF STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

**REINSTATEMENT/RESTORATION APPLICATION  
for 2014-15 AWARDS**

- 2014-15 Funding for Student Enrollment in the 2014-15 Academic Year

**APPLICANT CERTIFICATION**

By signing and submitting this application:

- I certify that I am the applicant named on this application and to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information contained on this application is true, complete, and correct.
- It is my responsibility to supply accurate information and inform OSFA immediately of any changes.
- I understand that falsification of information in order to receive state financial aid awards is a misdemeanor of the second degree.

Retain a completed copy of this application for your records.

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**Applicant's Signature**

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**Date**

**NOTICE:** If you purposely give false information on this form, you may be subject to fine or imprisonment or both under Section 837.06, Florida Statutes.

Questions/Fields marked with an asterisk (\*) require a response.

<b>Please indicate program(s) applying for:</b>	<b>DEADLINE *</b>
<b>José Martí Scholarship Challenge Grant Fund</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>04 / 01 / 2014</b>
<b>Rosewood Family Scholarship Program</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>04 / 01 / 2014</b>
<b>Scholarships for Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>04 / 01 / 2014</b>
<b>Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>05 / 30 / 2015</b>

\*If mailed, the postmarked date must meet program deadline.

**SECTION A: Applicant Demographic Information**

The Florida Department of Education, Office of Student Financial Assistance will communicate with you based on information you supply in this portion of your application. It is your responsibility to keep this information current. Should your contact information change, please visit [www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org](http://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org) and select **State Grants, Scholarships & Applications**, then **Application Status & Award History** and the appropriate option to update this information. Call toll-free at 1-888-827-2004 for assistance.

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**Questions/Fields marked with an asterisk (\*) require a response.**

1. \*Social Security Number

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2. \*Date of Birth: (mm/dd/yyyy)

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**SSN Disclaimer:** Financial assistance will not be denied for failure to disclose the SSN. However, without an SSN, correct identification of the applicant's record cannot be assured and may result in an error in the award amount or delay in the disbursement of an award.

3. \*First Name

4. MI

5. \*Last Name

6. \*Gender

Female

Male

7. \*Phone Number (at least one phone number is requested)

Home

-    -

Alternate

-    -

Cell

-    -

or  I do not have or choose to disclose a phone number.

8. \*Mailing Address (alpha-numeric only; no commas or hyphens)

(Maximum 32 characters including spaces)

9. Apartment

10. \*City

11. \*State

12. \*Florida County

13. \*Zip Code + 4

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14. \*E-mail Address

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Alternate E-mail Address

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or  I do not have or choose to disclose an e-mail.

(OSFA will post all official/award notifications to your online record)

15. \*Have you been on active duty military at any time since high school graduation?

Yes     No

16. \*Check the appropriate box and write in the **postsecondary institution** you plan to attend in the **2014-15** academic year on the line provided.

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In-state school  
 Out-of-state school

17. \*Check the appropriate box and write in the information for the postsecondary institution you last attended prior to the fall 2014 semester, whether you were funded or not.

Note: If you are a Spring/Summer cohort student, you must indicate the postsecondary institution you last attended prior to spring 2014, whether you were funded or not.

(If you never attended a postsecondary institution, check “Never Attended”)

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In-state school  
 Out-of-state school  
 Never Attended

Sign (on page 1) and mail this completed application by the program deadline(s) listed in the Conditions section of this application to the address on the cover of this application. Retain a copy of this signed application for your records.

- OSFA will enter your *Florida Financial Aid Reinstatement/Restoration Application* in the State Student Financial Aid Database upon receipt.
- Follow the steps below:
  - Access your User ID and PIN the day after you apply by going online to [www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org](http://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org) and select “State Grants, Scholarships & Applications,” followed by “Application Status & Award History.” Select “Get My User ID and PIN.”
    - After selecting “Application Status & Award History” select “Financial Aid Recipient History.” Your correspondence will be available in Section VII- Correspondence History.
  - A PDF copy of your correspondence will be available by selecting the [blue](#) hyperlink for that letter.
  - If you need assistance or are unable to complete these steps, call toll-free at 1-888-827-2004.

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- Go to [www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org](http://www.FloridaStudentFinancialAid.org)
- Choose **State Grants, Scholarships & Applications**, and then
- Choose **Application Status & Award History**, and then:
  - To update information, go to **Reinstatement/Restoration Application Update** and select:
    - **Name, Address, and Institution**, or
    - **Pseudo Number**
  - To monitor **your** status, go to **Reinstatement/Restoration Application Status** and select:
    - **Application/Certification**, or
    - **Award/Notifications**