



Senior Scholarships 101

October 6, 2026

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Housekeeping

- ➡ We are recording this presentation and will post to our website with the slides
- ➡ Closed captioning is available
- ➡ Hold questions for Q & A at the end

Learning Objectives



**Criteria &
eligibility**



**Types of
scholarships
& examples**



**Application
process**



**Award
process**

Hillsborough Education Foundation



- ➡ Non-profit organization
- ➡ Hillsborough Education Foundation's mission is to ensure every student in Hillsborough County receives an outstanding public education that equips them for a fulfilling future.



2025 – 2026 Awards



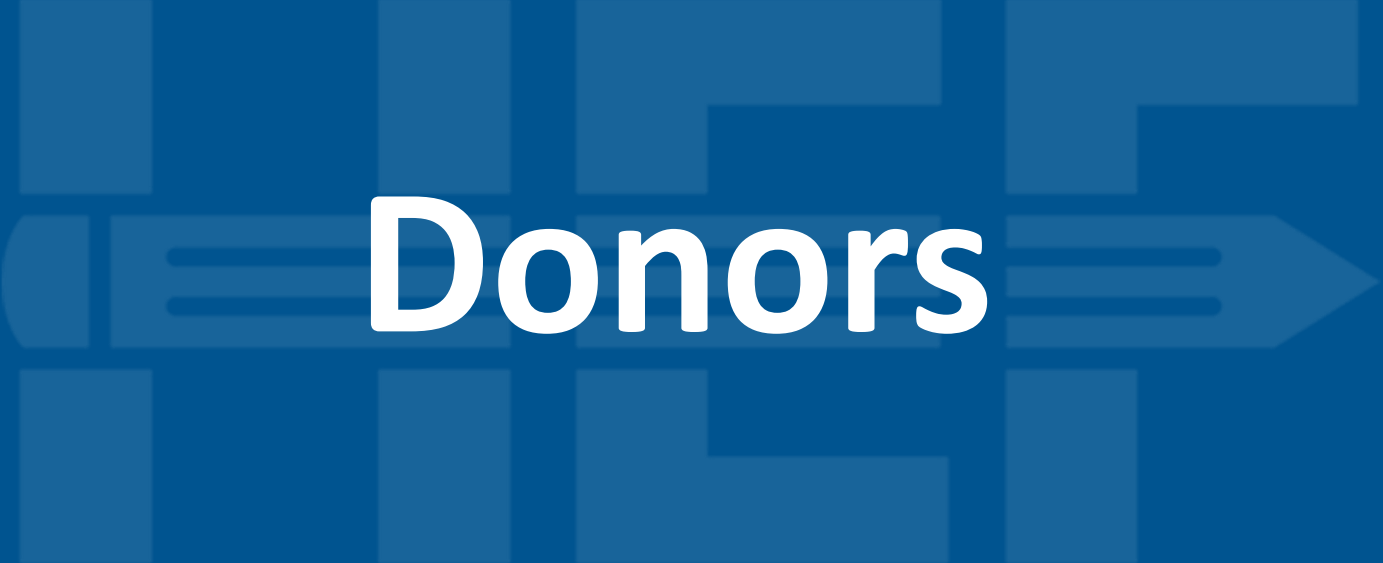
Over 400 scholarships

- \$500 to \$20,000
- 4-Year University Florida Prepaid Plans



**Total value =
\$1.2+ Million**





Donors



Who Are They?

Individuals / Families

- Gift in honor of someone
- Memorial
- Endowments

Companies

- Suncoast Credit Union
- Gerdau, Inc.

Non-Profit Organizations

- Sorority alumni
- Kiwanis Club of Tampa
- Derek Jeter Turn 2 Foundation
- Gasparilla Krewes

Over 120 Named Scholarships



Eligibility

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Eligibility

- Hillsborough county seniors
- Public school
 - Charter
 - Virtual
- Homeschool
- Private school



Eligibility

- ➡ GPA (Unweighted)
 - ➡ Cumulative State GPA
- ➡ Traditional universities, community & technical colleges
- ➡ Major
- ➡ High school
- ➡ Community service hours
- ➡ Extracurricular activities
- ➡ Financial need and more....



Demonstrating Financial Need

- Household qualifies for **ONE** of the following social assistance programs:
 - Free or Reduced Lunch
 - Medicaid
 - WIC (Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children)
 - TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families)
 - SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)
 - Housing Assistance
- Documentation only if you qualify for one of the above **AND** a scholarship that requires financial need
- Must upload at the time of application



Demonstrating Financial Need - Tax Form 1040

➡ **Free/Reduced Lunch** is supported by most recent 1040 tax form

maximum annual pre-tax earnings

- ➡ Line 9 on tax form 1040
- ➡ 2025 or 2026 tax return
- ➡ First 2 pages of tax return
- ➡ Student name must be included
- ➡ You can hide the social security numbers

➡ **OR...**

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	ANNUAL
1	\$29,526
2	\$40,034
3	\$50,542
4	\$61,050
5	\$71,558
6	\$82,066
7	\$92,574
8*	\$103,082

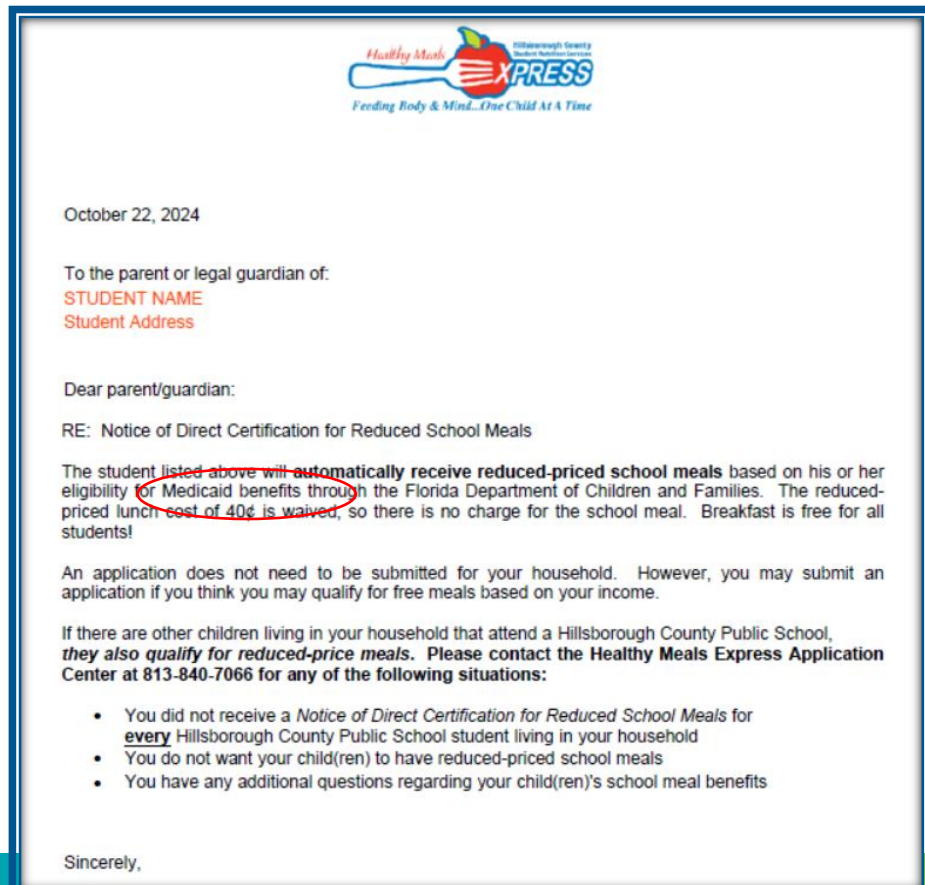
Demonstrating Financial Need – Direct Certification Letter

➡ **Free/Reduced Lunch** can be demonstrated with a Direct Certification Letter stating **HOW** qualified

➡ Parent/Guardian must request the letter from Hillsborough County Public Schools Student Nutrition Services

- (813)-840-7066
- HCPSMealBenefits@HCPS.net

➡ **OR...**



The image shows a sample letter from Hillsborough County Public Schools Student Nutrition Services. At the top right is the logo for 'Healthy Meals EXPRESS' with the tagline 'Feeding Body & Mind...One Child At A Time'. The letter is dated October 22, 2024, and is addressed to the parent or legal guardian of a student. The student's name and address are listed in red text. The letter states that the student is automatically receiving reduced-priced school meals based on Medicaid eligibility, and that the reduced-priced lunch cost of 40¢ is waived. It also mentions that an application does not need to be submitted for free meals based on income. Finally, it lists three situations where other children in the household might also qualify for reduced-price meals: if they haven't received a direct certification letter, if they don't want reduced-price meals, or if there are additional questions.

October 22, 2024

To the parent or legal guardian of:
STUDENT NAME
Student Address

Dear parent/guardian:

RE: Notice of Direct Certification for Reduced School Meals

The student listed above will **automatically receive reduced-priced school meals** based on his or her eligibility for Medicaid benefits through the Florida Department of Children and Families. The reduced-priced lunch cost of 40¢ is waived, so there is no charge for the school meal. Breakfast is free for all students!

An application does not need to be submitted for your household. However, you may submit an application if you think you may qualify for free meals based on your income.

If there are other children living in your household that attend a Hillsborough County Public School, **they also qualify for reduced-price meals. Please contact the Healthy Meals Express Application Center at 813-840-7066 for any of the following situations:**

- You did not receive a *Notice of Direct Certification for Reduced School Meals* for **every** Hillsborough County Public School student living in your household
- You do not want your child(ren) to have reduced-priced school meals
- You have any additional questions regarding your child(ren)'s school meal benefits

Sincerely,

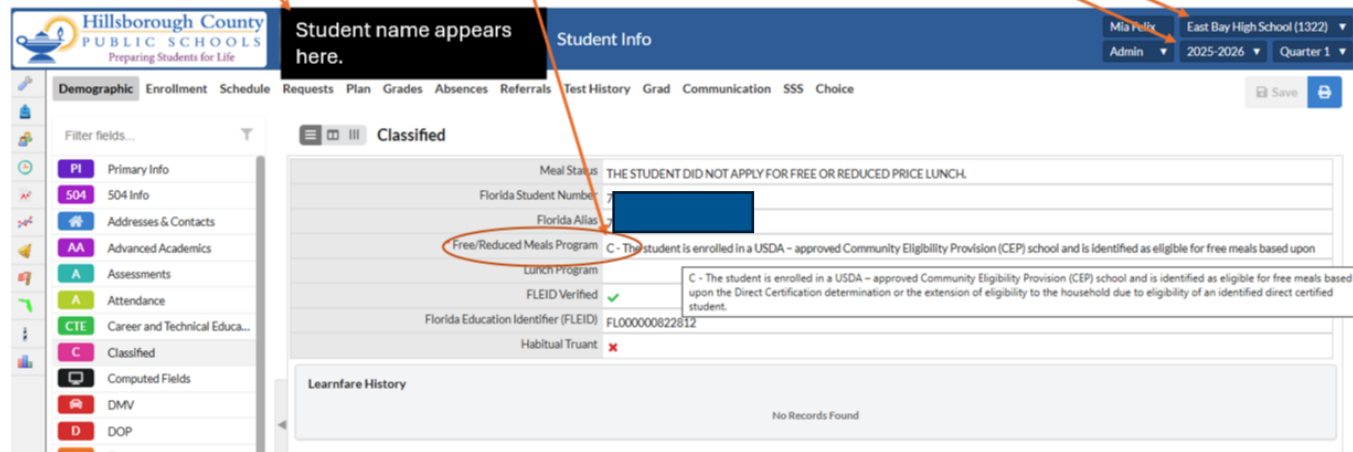
Demonstrating Financial Need – Screenshot from School Counselor

➡ “C” or States HOW qualified = social assistance program qualification

To demonstrate financial need, school counselors can access this screen from “Student Info” and then clicking on the “Classified” Tab.

Students can obtain a screenshot from their counselors that shows their Free/Reduced Meal Program Eligibility. The screenshot must contain the following elements:

- Free/Reduced Meals Program WITH Option C
- Student Name
- High School Name
- Current School Year



Student name appears here.

Student Info

Mia Pelly East Bay High School (1322)

Admin 2025-2026 Quarter 1

Demographic Enrollment Schedule Requests Plan Grades Absences Referrals Test History Grad Communication SSS Choice

Filter fields...

PI Primary Info

504 504 Info

Addresses & Contacts

AA Advanced Academics

A Assessments

A Attendance

CTE Career and Technical Edu...

C Classified

Computed Fields

DMV

DOP

Meal Status THE STUDENT DID NOT APPLY FOR FREE OR REDUCED PRICE LUNCH.

Florida Student Number 7

Florida Alias

Free/Reduced Meals Program C - The student is enrolled in a USDA - approved Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) school and is identified as eligible for free meals based upon the Direct Certification determination or the extension of eligibility to the household due to eligibility of an identified direct certified student.

LUNCH Program

FLEID Verified

Florida Education Identifier (FLEID) FL000000622612

Habitual Truant

Learnfare History

No Records Found

Demonstrating Financial Need

- ➡ **Housing Assistance** - HUD documentation
- ➡ **Medicaid** - Medicaid card, eligibility letter or benefit summary from the State of Florida Department of Children and Families
- ➡ **SNAP** - Eligibility letter or benefit summary from the State of Florida Department of Children and Families
- ➡ **TANF** - Eligibility letter or benefit summary from the State of Florida Department of Children and Families
- ➡ **WIC** - Eligibility letter or benefit summary from the State of Florida Department of Children and Families

Scholarships

Scholarships

- Traditional College / University
- Community College
- Technical College / Trade School
- In Florida & Out of State
- 1-year
- Multi-year
 - Require annual update
 - Some are conditional with GPA minimums
- \$500 to \$20,000
- Florida Prepaid Plans



Scholarship Examples

Arthur H. Henderson
Memorial Kiwanis
Scholarship
\$2,500

- Minimum 3.25 UNWEIGHTED GPA
- 75+ community service hours
- Financial need
- Two additional essays
- Preference for students majoring Education, or Early Childhood - Preschool Education / Development

Braulio & Adelfa Alonso
Scholarship
\$1,000

- Alonso High School senior
- Must attend a college or university

Tribeca Memorial
Scholarship
\$2,500

- Minimum 3.0 UNWEIGHTED GPA
- Majoring in Cosmetology for hair styling
- Preference for students with art, theater, or music background
- One additional essay

The Application

Application

- ➡ Online platform - AwardSpring
- ➡ One general application
 - ➡ Filters answers for all scholarships & displays eligibility
- ➡ Two required 250-word essays
 - ➡ Essay #1: We want to know about you. Tell us your story and what is special about you, in at least 250 words.
 - ➡ Essay #2: You are competing against many other students for funding. Please tell us 1) about your future plans and 2) why you, out of all of the applicants, deserve a scholarship.
 - ➡ **Additional essays based on eligibility**
- ➡ Four sections
 - ➡ Student information
 - ➡ Postsecondary school & future plans
 - ➡ Household & financial information
 - ➡ Acknowledgements & authorizations
 - Parent / Guardian or student over 18



Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI)

- ➡ Student's original work in their own authentic voice.
- ➡ Include personal experiences, reflections, and perspective.
- ➡ AI - helpful for brainstorming, organizing ideas, or proofreading.
- ➡ Final response should reflect own thoughts, experiences, and writing style.
- ➡ Looking for honesty and authenticity.
- ➡ Your final essay should still sound like you and reflect your own experiences, ideas, and goals.

Apply!

- Application Period
 - October 1 through January 31, 2027

- 2025-2026
 - 4,484 started application
 - 1,981 completed application

- Go to EducationFoundation.com/SeniorScholarships
 - Click on link to **Apply**



AwardSpring - Register



➡ Click on **Register** and use the student's information

➡ Do NOT use HCPS email address



Use student name & email (not parent) when registering. Do NOT use HCPS email; it rejects our communications.

Scholarships

Donors

Sign In

Register

Sign In

Email

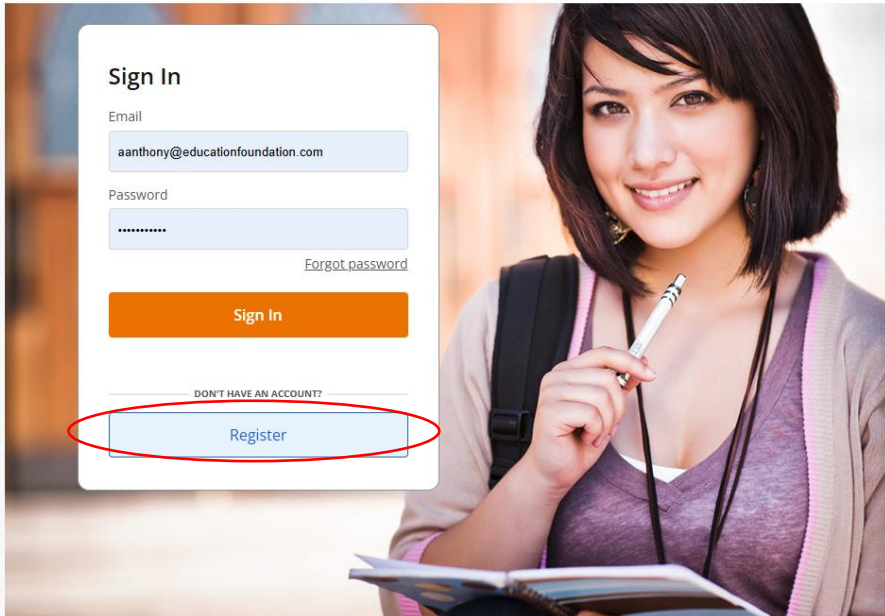
Password

[Forgot password](#)

Sign In

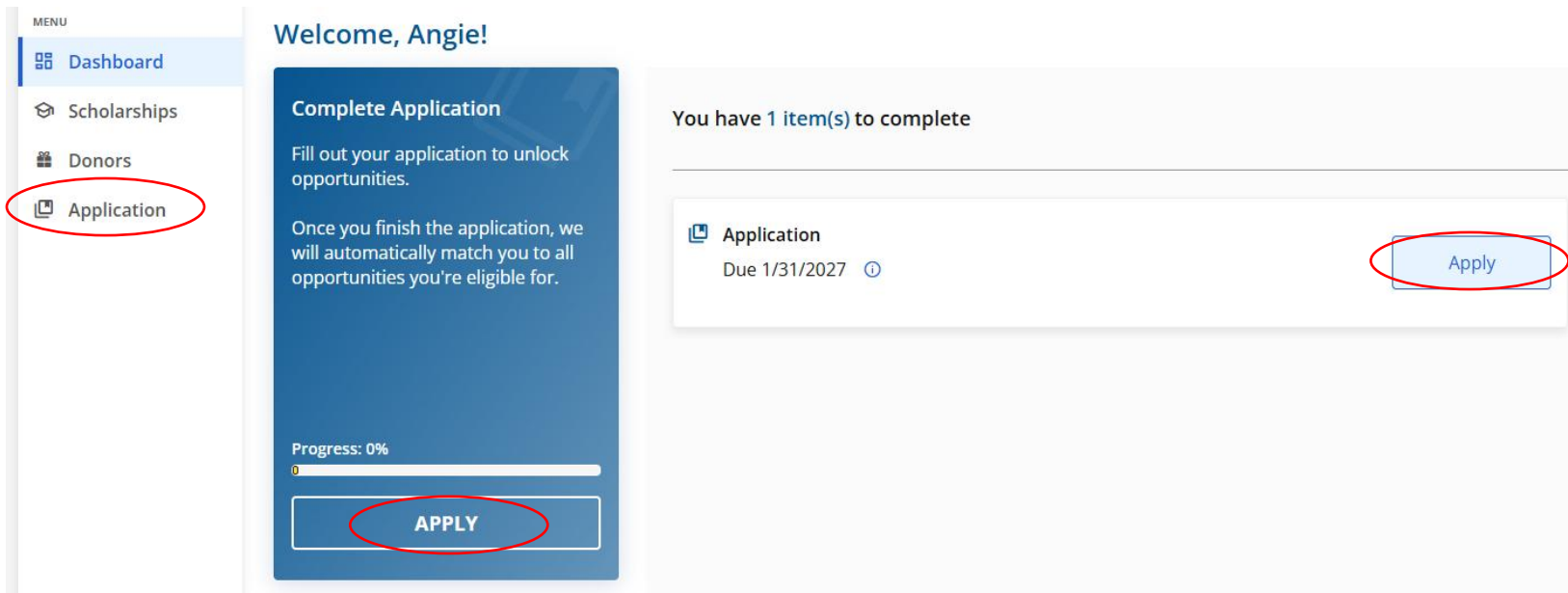
DON'T HAVE AN ACCOUNT?

Register



AwardSpring - Dashboard

- ➡ Lands on the **Dashboard** when you log in
- ➡ Click on **Application or Apply** to begin



The screenshot displays the AwardSpring dashboard interface. On the left, a vertical menu lists 'Dashboard', 'Scholarships', 'Donors', and 'Application', with 'Application' circled in red. The main content area features a blue 'Welcome, Angie!' banner with the heading 'Complete Application' and instructions to fill out the application to unlock opportunities. Below this is a progress bar at 0% and a large 'APPLY' button, also circled in red. To the right, a section titled 'You have 1 item(s) to complete' contains a card for the 'Application' due 1/31/2027, with an 'Apply' button circled in red.

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Welcome, Angie!

Complete Application

Fill out your application to unlock opportunities.

Once you finish the application, we will automatically match you to all opportunities you're eligible for.

Progress: 0%

APPLY

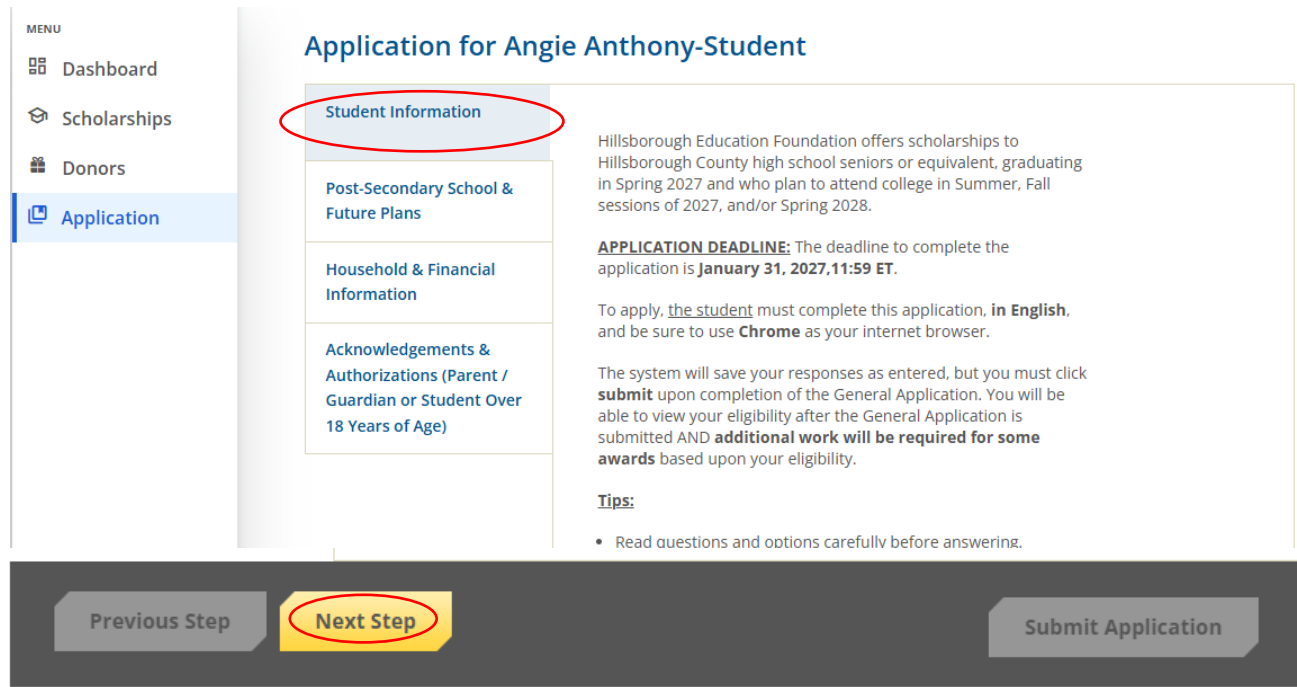
You have 1 item(s) to complete

Application
Due 1/31/2027 ⓘ

Apply

AwardSpring - Application

- ➡ Application tabs show sections to be completed and your progress
- ➡ Click **Next Step** to go to the next section
- ➡ Saves as you go



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Application for Angie Anthony-Student

Student Information

Post-Secondary School & Future Plans

Household & Financial Information

Acknowledgements & Authorizations (Parent / Guardian or Student Over 18 Years of Age)

Hillsborough Education Foundation offers scholarships to Hillsborough County high school seniors or equivalent, graduating in Spring 2027 and who plan to attend college in Summer, Fall sessions of 2027, and/or Spring 2028.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: The deadline to complete the application is **January 31, 2027, 11:59 ET**.

To apply, the student must complete this application, **in English**, and be sure to use **Chrome** as your internet browser.

The system will save your responses as entered, but you must click **submit** upon completion of the General Application. You will be able to view your eligibility after the General Application is submitted AND **additional work will be required for some awards** based upon your eligibility.

Tips:

- Read questions and options carefully before answering.

Previous Step **Next Step** Submit Application

AwardSpring – Application

- ➡ You do not need to complete everything at the same time
- ➡ Tabs show your progress status

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Application for Angie Anthony-Student

Student Information
In Progress

Post-Secondary School & Future Plans

Household & Financial Information

Acknowledgements & Authorizations (Parent / Guardian or Student Over 18 Years of Age)

This section of the application is to provide information about your plans for college or trade school.

Please read the questions thoroughly and answer carefully.

If you have any questions, please contact Angie Anthony, Director of Scholarships, at aanthony@educationfoundation.com or 813-574-0273.

FIELD OF STUDY/MAJOR

When selecting your **field of study/major**, please remember that several scholarships are seeking students majoring in certain subjects on this list. If you are studying something that is not specifically listed but a broader category is, please select the

AwardSpring – Application

➡ All sections will show status as **completed** when you finish the general application

Student Information <i>Completed</i>
Post-Secondary School & Future Plans <i>Completed</i>
Household & Financial Information <i>Completed</i>
Acknowledgements & Authorizations (Parent / Guardian or Student Over 18 Years of Age) <i>Completed</i>

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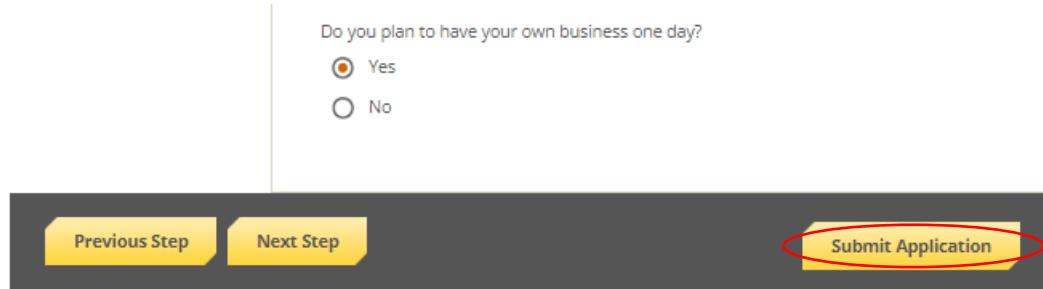
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Tips:

AwardSpring - Application

- ➡ When all sections are completed, the **Submit Application** button will be enabled
- ➡ Click **Submit Application**
- ➡ You can return to make changes after submitting

A screenshot of the AwardSpring application form. The form is displayed within a white rectangular frame. At the top, the question 'Do you plan to have your own business one day?' is followed by two radio button options: 'Yes' (which is selected) and 'No'. Below the form area, there is a dark grey navigation bar. On the left side of this bar are two yellow buttons: 'Previous Step' and 'Next Step'. On the right side is a yellow button labeled 'Submit Application', which is circled with a red oval to indicate it is the active or next step.

Do you plan to have your own business one day?

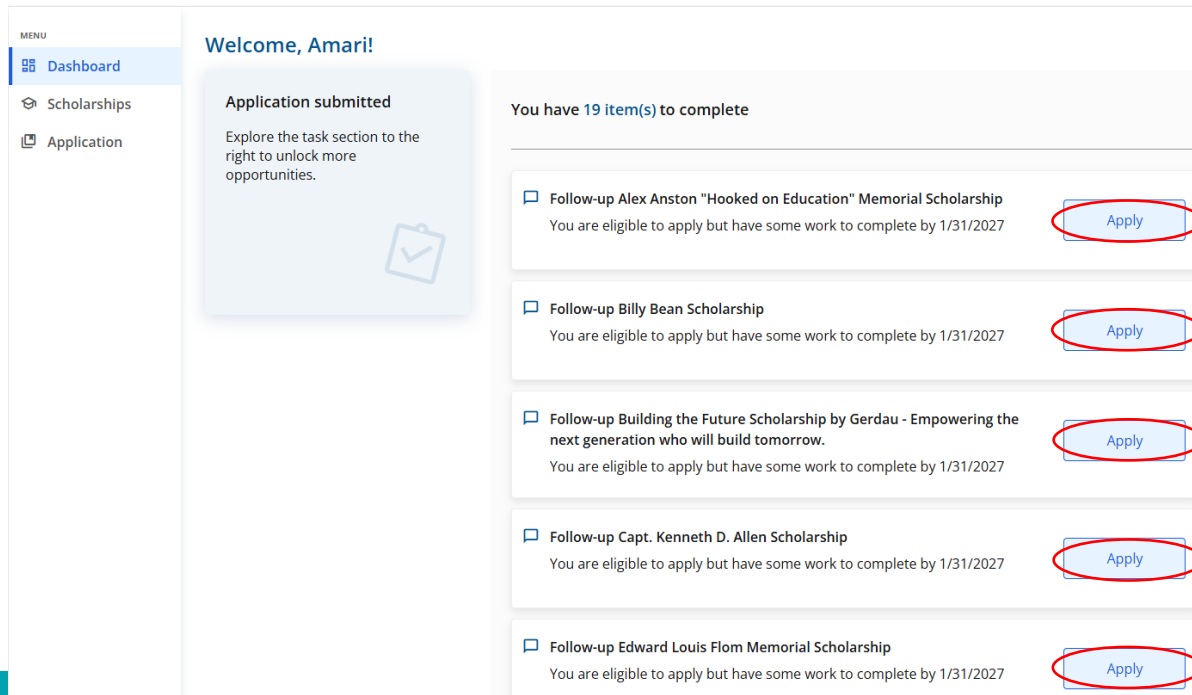
☒ Yes

☐ No

Previous Step Next Step **Submit Application**

AwardSpring – Follow-Ups

- ➡ Lands back on **Dashboard** and shows follow ups for scholarships you qualify for
- ➡ Click on **Apply** to see what you need to do next to complete your application for specific scholarships
 - ➡ Letters of recommendation
 - ➡ Additional essays
 - ➡ Upload financial need documentation



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Welcome, Amari!

Application submitted

Explore the task section to the right to unlock more opportunities.

You have 19 item(s) to complete

☐ Follow-up Alex Anston "Hooked on Education" Memorial Scholarship	Apply
You are eligible to apply but have some work to complete by 1/31/2027	
☐ Follow-up Billy Bean Scholarship	Apply
You are eligible to apply but have some work to complete by 1/31/2027	
☐ Follow-up Building the Future Scholarship by Gerdau - Empowering the next generation who will build tomorrow.	Apply
You are eligible to apply but have some work to complete by 1/31/2027	
☐ Follow-up Capt. Kenneth D. Allen Scholarship	Apply
You are eligible to apply but have some work to complete by 1/31/2027	
☐ Follow-up Edward Louis Flom Memorial Scholarship	Apply
You are eligible to apply but have some work to complete by 1/31/2027	

AwardSpring – Follow Ups

- ➡ Complete the additional information and click **Submit Application**
- ➡ You will need to do this for each scholarship that requires additional work
- ➡ Click SUBMIT for each requiring financial need documents

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Scholarships - Arthur H. Henderson Memorial Kiwanis Scholarship

Submit Application

Overview

This scholarship is for high school seniors with a minimum UNWEIGHTED GPA of 3.25, financial need, 75+ Community Service hours and who plan to obtain a 4-year degree. Preference for students majoring Education, or Early Childhood - Preschool Education/Development.

Quick Facts

Apply by Jan 31, 2027
\$2,500.00

Essay:

Briefly discuss the most meaningful lessons you have learned from your community service experience. How do you plan to apply it to your life?

Recipients and 2 guests are expected to attend an awards luncheon will be held with the Kiwanis Club of Tampa, date to be announced.

Qualifications

- ✓ Must be in 12th grade or have enough credits to graduate in May 2027
- ✓ Must attend a Hillsborough County Public School
- ✓ Minimum UNWEIGHTED GPA of 3.25
- ✓ Must have minimum of 75 community service hours
- ✓ Must demonstrate financial need
- ✓ Must plan to pursue a 4-year degree at a college or university

Apply for this Scholarship

*Briefly discuss the most meaningful lessons you have learned from your community service experience. How do you plan to apply it to your life?

200 word(s) min

400 word(s) left

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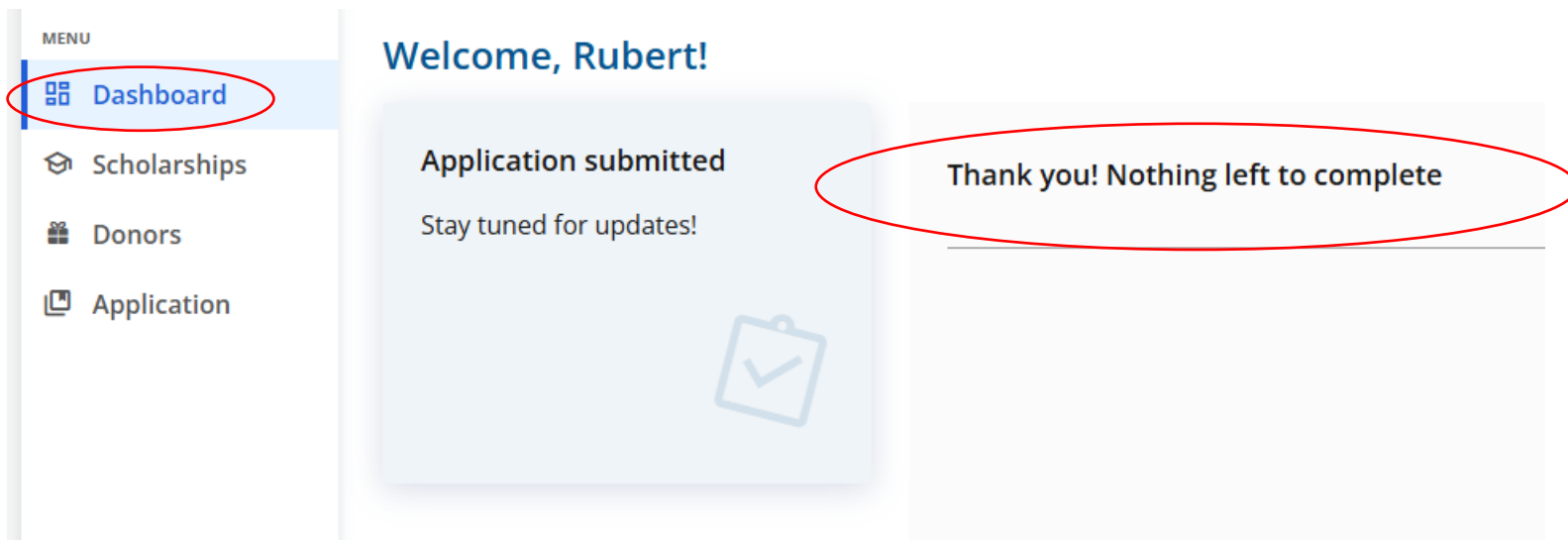
This scholarship is for students who demonstrate financial need; in the application, you indicated the household qualifies for one of the programs listed below.

To finish applying for this scholarship, please upload documentation that includes the



AwardSpring – Complete

- ➡ **Dashboard** indicates when all additional items are completed
- ➡ Click on **Scholarships** to see a list



AwardSpring - Status in Default View



- ➡ Default is Tile View
- ➡ Statuses
 - ➡ Applied
 - ➡ Not Qualified
 - ➡ Complete Follow-up

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Scholarships

122 open

Search scholarships by name, keyword, or sponsor

Filters Tiles Table

Adelle R. Harris Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is for a high school seniors with a minimum UNWEIGHTED GPA of 2.5 who currently...

AMOUNT: \$1,500 DEADLINE: Jan 31, 2027 (in 122 days)

View details Not Qualified

Alex Anston "Hooked on Education" Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is for high school seniors with a minimum UNWEIGHTED GPA of 3.0, demonstrated...

AMOUNT: \$1,500 DEADLINE: Jan 31, 2027 (in 122 days)

View details Applied

Andrew Lubrano Scholarship

This scholarship is for high school seniors with a minimum UNWEIGHTED GPA of 2.8 and who plan to...

AMOUNT: \$750 DEADLINE: Jan 31, 2027 (in 122 days)

View details Not Qualified

TECHNICAL COLLEGE / TRADE SCHOOL

Aparicio-Levy Technical College Scholarship

This scholarship is for high school seniors who have a minimum 2.0 UNWEIGHTED GPA, financial need, and...

AMOUNT: \$1,000 DEADLINE: Jan 31, 2027 (in 122 days)

View details Not Qualified

EDUCATION

Arthur H. Henderson Memorial Kiwanis Scholarship

This scholarship is for high school seniors with a minimum UNWEIGHTED GPA of 3.25, financial need...

AMOUNT: \$2,500 DEADLINE: Jan 31, 2027 (in 122 days)

View details Complete follow-up

Bay Area Manufacturers Association Scholarship

This scholarship is for high school seniors with financial need and a minimum 3.0 UNWEIGHTED GP...

AMOUNT: \$1,500 DEADLINE: Jan 31, 2027 (in 122 days)

View details Not Qualified

HEALTHCARE

Bethune Family Health & Wellness Scholarship

This scholarship is for a high school senior who has a minimum UNWEIGHTED GPA of 3.0, performed 450+...

AMOUNT: \$1,000 DEADLINE: Jan 31, 2027 (in 122 days)

View details Not Qualified

Billy Bean Scholarship

This scholarship is for high school seniors with a minimum 3.0 UNWEIGHTED GPA, who are strong alli...

AMOUNT: \$5,000 DEADLINE: Jan 31, 2027 (in 122 days)

View details Complete follow-up

Billy Turney Foundation Hillsborough College Scholarship

This scholarship is for a high school senior who has a minimum 3.4 UNWEIGHTED GPA, financial need and...

AMOUNT: \$1,000 DEADLINE: Jan 31, 2027 (in 122 days)

View details Not Qualified

AwardSpring – Status in Table View

- ➡ Table View
- ➡ Statuses
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 - ➡ Qualified
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Billy Turney Foundation University Scholarship		Jan 31, 2027	☑ Applied		

Review Process

Review Process

- Donors or independent volunteer reviewers (3+)
- Sign a Conflict of Interest statement
- Not included
 - Student name & contact information
 - Financial need
 - Race / ethnicity
 - Gender
- Review Categories
 - GPA
 - Extracurricular activities & leadership
 - Community service hours
 - Content of essays
 - Employment hours
 - Bonus points



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Awards

Awards

- ➡ Table View
- ➡ Status
 - ➡ Awarded
 - ➡ Denied
 - ➡ Applied
 - ➡ Not Applied
 - ➡ Not Qualified

➡ Award amounts will display

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Awards & Claiming Funds

- Late April/Early May
 - Notification emails from Angie Anthony / AwardSpring
 - Check your dashboard and scholarship tab for statuses
- Claiming Funds
 - College enrollment verification
 - Information release
 - Social media, press releases, etc. - no obligation
 - Thank you letter for donor
- Check is sent directly to the college
- Most awards cover tuition, books, fees, housing & meal plans
- **Claim funds by January 31, 2028**



Helpful Hints

Helpful Hints

- ⇒ Read instructions and questions thoroughly
 - ⇒ Unweighted GPA (Cumulative State GPA)
- ⇒ Review answer choices carefully
- ⇒ Select all extracurricular activities & sports that apply
- ⇒ Answer the essay questions & **follow ups**
 - ⇒ Stay on topic
 - ⇒ Word count
 - ⇒ High scoring points
 - ⇒ Only use AI as a tool

Don't wait till
the last
minute!

Don't forget to
hit Submit
Application!

Important Dates



October 1, 2026
Application opened



January 31, 2027
Last day to apply



April – May 2027
Award notifications
via email

Expressing Gratitude

“Because of you I get to pursue a college education, a dream, and a future.”

*“You are not only making our dreams a reality,
but you are also sowing the seeds of hope in the hearts of our families,
who sacrificed their lives to bring us into this country.”*

*“I look forward to being able to give back to the community once I begin to
understand how my career plays an important role toward a diverse society.”*

*“Saying thank you a million times wouldn’t fully capture how appreciative
I am for all your support. But once more, thank you so much
for all of your help in making my dreams come true.”*

Questions

Angie Anthony

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