Bright Futures Eligibility and Award information by High School Graduation Year

The chart below provides eligibility, renewal, and funding information for students by their high school graduation year. Locate your high school graduation year in the far left column to determine the requirements and conditions that apply to your Bright Futures award.

(The Florida Legislature reviews the program each year and is authorized to change eligibility and funding requirements for future years.)

| Student's High School Graduation Year ¹ | Required SAT/ACT Score to Earn FAS Award | Required SAT/ACT Score to Earn FMS Award ² | Initial Eligibility Year (1st academic year after high school graduation) | Number of FAS/FMS Hours of Funding Available | Number of GSV Hours of Funding Available | Number of Years of Funding Available ² | Restoration Opportunity | FAS/FMS Graduate Study Funding Availability ⁷ |
|---|--|---|---|--|--|--|---|--|
| 2008-2009 and earlier | 1270 SAT/ 28 ACT | 970 SAT/ 20 ACT | 2009-10 and earlier | 110% of program of study up to 132 credit hours ³ | 110% of program of study up to 90 credit hours | Up to 7 years from high school graduation | For insufficient GPA and insufficient hours ⁶ | Yes, if first baccalaureate degree earned in 2010-11 academic year or after |
| 2009-2010 | 1270 SAT/ 28 ACT | 970 SAT/ 20 ACT | 2010-11 | 100% of program of study up to 120 credit hours ³ | 100% of program of study up to 90 credit hours | Up to 7 years from high school graduation | For insufficient GPA in 1 st year of funding <u>only</u> | Yes, if first baccalaureate degree earned in 2010-11 academic year or after |
| 2010-2011 | 1270 SAT/ 28 ACT | 970 SAT/ 20 ACT ² | 2011-12 | 100% of program of study up to 120 credit hours ³ | 100% of program of study up to 90 credit hours | Up to 5 years from high school graduation ⁵ | For insufficient GPA in 1 st year of funding <u>only</u> | Yes, if first baccalaureate degree earned in 2010-11 academic year or after |
| 2011-2012 | 1270 SAT/ 28 ACT | 980 SAT/ 21 ACT ² | 2012-13 | 100% of program of study up to 120 credit hours ³ | 100% of program of study up to 90 credit hours | Up to 5 years from high school graduation ⁵ | For insufficient GPA in 1 st year of funding <u>only</u> | Yes, if first baccalaureate degree earned in 2010-11 academic year or after |
| 2012-2013 | 1280 SAT/ 28 ACT | 1020 SAT/ 22 ACT ² | 2013-14 | 100% of program of study up to 120 credit hours ³ | 100% of program of study up to 90 credit hours | Up to 5 years from high school graduation ⁵ | For insufficient GPA in 1 st year of funding only | Yes, if first baccalaureate degree earned in 2010-11 academic year or after |
| 2013-2014 | 1290 SAT/ 29 ACT | 1170 SAT/ 26 ACT ² | 2014-15 | 100% of program of study up to 120 credit hours ³ | 100% of program of study up to 90 credit hours | Up to 5 years from high school graduation ⁵ | For insufficient GPA in 1 st year of funding <u>only</u> | Yes, if first baccalaureate degree earned in 2010-11 academic year or after |

High school graduation year = the academic year in which the student graduated from high school. For example, a student who graduated from high school between September 1, 2010 and August 31, 2011 graduated in the 2010-2011 academic year.

²Home educated students, who are unable to document a college-preparatory curriculum and wish to earn an FMS award, must earn a 1070 SAT or 23 ACT. Home educated students unable to document a college-preparatory curriculum graduating in 2013-14 must earn a 1220 SAT or 27 ACT.

³Extended hours of funding are available to FAS and FMS recipients in a single program of study requiring more than 120 hours to complete.

⁴Student must receive initial funding within 3 years of high school graduation.

⁵Students unable to complete their program after 5 academic years may be granted a 1-year extension to the renewal timeframe due to a verifiable illness or other documented emergency.

The award may <u>not</u> be restored if it was lost due to insufficient hours prior to the 2009-10 academic year.

⁷FAS and FMS recipients who receive a baccalaureate degree in the 2010-11 academic year or after in 7 semesters or fewer (or the equivalent in hours) may receive funding for 1 semester of graduate study, not to exceed 15 semester hours, paid at the undergraduate rate.