



## Bright Futures Appeal Form

The Bright Futures scholarship program provides an appeal process for students who do not meet the renewal requirements. Appeals may be filed when a student does not meet minimum grade point average and/or credit hours requirements due to one of two circumstances: 1) verifiable illness or 2) an emergency beyond the student's control. The appeal must include a statement of the circumstances of the illness or emergency and its impact on the student's performance along with documentation of the circumstances.

**DEADLINE:** The deadline to appeal the reduction or non-renewal of a Bright Futures Scholarship based on academic performance is two years from the last day of the term for which the appeal is sought.

### A. Student Information

Last Name	First Name	M.I.	B# Student ID

### B. Scholarship for which you are appealing:

- Florida Bright Futures Academic Scholarship (FAS - 3.0 minimum GPA)
- Florida Bright Futures Medallion Scholarship (FMS - 2.75 minimum GPA)
- Florida Bright Futures Gold Seal Scholarship (FVGS - 2.75 minimum GPA)
- Florida Bright Futures Gold Seal CAPE Scholarship (GSC - 2.75 minimum GPA)

**Credit Hour Renewal Requirements for Bright Futures:**  
 12 credit hours earned for each term paid if enrolled full-time  
 9 credit hours earned for each term paid if enrolled  $\frac{3}{4}$  time  
 6 credit hours earned for each term paid if enrolled  $\frac{1}{2}$  time

### C. Required Documentation *(submit both 1 & 2):*

1. Attach a **typed, signed, detailed letter** explaining how an illness or an extenuating circumstance beyond your control prevented you from meeting the Bright Futures GPA and/or credit hour requirements.
2. Attach **date specific supporting documentation** from a disinterested third party. Documentation must be relevant to the semesters in which academic difficulty was experienced. Acceptable documentation may include but is not limited to:
  - a. Letter (not prescription) from a physician or counselor indicating the dates of the medical care
  - b. Copy of a death certificate, obituary, or third-party documentation of the death of a family member
  - c. Accident / Police Reports / Court Records, etc.

*Note:* Do not submit original documentation. Please provide legible copies.

## D. Certification and Signature

By signing below I certify that all of the information reported is complete and correct.

**WARNING: If you purposely give false or misleading information, you may be fined, sent to prison, or both.**

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Student's Signature

Can be signed electronically if submitted via Financial Aid Document Upload Tool in myEFSC.

Date

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## E. Document Submission

You may submit this document by the following methods:

**1. FINANCIAL AID DOCUMENT UPLOAD TOOL (RECOMMENDED)**

Complete and sign this document, scan, and upload using the **Financial Aid Document Upload Tool** in **myEFSC** under *Financial Aid Forms & Upload*.

**2. BY MAIL**

Mail your document to the Office of Financial Aid at:

Eastern Florida State College  
Office of Financial Aid  
Building 2, Room 209  
1519 Clearlake Road  
Cocoa, FL 32922

**3. IN-PERSON**

Please visit [easternflorida.edu/go/aidcontacts](http://easternflorida.edu/go/aidcontacts) for current hours and availability.

## QUESTIONS?

Financial Aid Specialists are available by phone at 321-433-7339 and via e-mail at [finaid@easternflorida.edu](mailto:finaid@easternflorida.edu).

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