



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 hour requirements due to one of two circumstances: verifiable illness or 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 is two years from the last day of the term in which the student failed to meet the renewal criteria.

A. Student Information

_____			B# _____
Last Name	First Name	M.I.	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 ¾ time
 6 credit hours earned for each term paid if enrolled ½ 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.

Student's Signature

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

Date

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 Financial Aid Office at:

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

3. IN-PERSON

Please visit 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.

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