The new 2022-2023 Free Application for **Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** will be available on October 1, 2022. Use the FAFSA form to apply for financial aid for college. To begin your application, please visit https://studentaid.ed.gov.

The Florida Bright Futures application for 2022-2023 will be available October 1, 2022. Seniors should register for Bright Futures before graduation, even if they are not currently planning to attend a Florida university. Please visit www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org to apply. If you have any questions about the Bright Futures scholarship, please contact Katherine White at katherine.white@okaloosaschools.com.

All students are encouraged to visit www.floridashines.org and register. Students should verify their name, address, date of birth, and social security numbers are accurate. A wealth of information is available, including the ability to check Bright Futures Scholarship status, see high school summary and grades, research colleges and scholarships in Florida, learn about higher education opportunities in Florida, determine career objectives, apply to colleges online, and much more!

The PB&J Scholarship is for students who have experienced personal challenges that may not have allowed them to perform well academically, but still have the drive to succeed. There is no GPA requirement, however, applicants are evaluated based on their personal statement and letters of recommendation. This scholarship awards up to \$1,000 and is eligible to applicants who are current high school seniors and plan on attending a two or four year college next school year. For more information, please click here.

- Student Scholarships has a monthly newsletter that sends out information and links to scholarship opportunities. To sign up for the newsletter, please go to https://studentscholarships.org/newsletter.php.
- Fort Walton Beach Woman's Club is offering three \$1,000 scholarships for three deserving female students in the Senior Class of 2023. The scholarship will be available for females who will be attending a Florida college, university, or technical school. Applications and additional information are available in the Guidance office. The application deadline is March 3, 2023.

The Emerald Coast Public Relations Foundation provides two \$1,000 scholarships to worthy high school students who intend to pursue a higher education field of study in public relations, communication, marketing, or journalism. To be eligible, applicants must be high school seniors residing in Okaloosa, Walton, or Santa Rosa counties, be a U.S. citizen, planning to pursue a college or university major course of study in public relations, communication, marketing, or journalism. Applications and additional information are available online at www.ecpro.org or in the Choctaw Guidance office. The application deadline is March 15, 2023.

The Department of Florida AMVETS Scholarship Committee members and Service Foundation are now accepting applications for two different scholarships for high school seniors. The eligibility requirements for the Don Rhindress JROTC candidates are two years of ROTC and be a graduating high school senior, and the Joseph Kee scholarship is for all eligible graduating high school seniors. Applications for both scholarships can be found at http://www.amvetsfl.org/scholarships/. The application deadline is April 30, 2023.

- Farm Credit of Northwest Florida is excited to share information regarding their 2023 AgVocator Scholarship Program. One \$24,000 scholarship will be awarded to a high school senior, college freshman or sophomore with plans to pursue a career in agriculture. Preference will be given to students who plan to seek a career in production agriculture, ag education, ag economics, agribusiness, or another field related to agriculture. Information and application materials are available at www.gorural.net or in the Guidance office. The application deadline is February 10, 2023.
- P.E.O. Sisterhood is a Philanthropic Educational Organization. It was founded more than 150 years ago by seven women as a college society, similar to later sororities. P.E.O. sisters take great pride in providing educational opportunities to women in their communities. Chapter DH, Florida was the first P.E.O. Chapter formed in our local area more than 50 years ago. Through the generosity of our sisters, we have established a scholarship fund which enables us to select deserving young women from our area to be awarded scholarships. This is a non-renewable \$1,000 scholarship for graduating high school senior women which must be used in the academic year following graduation for continuing education at an accredited post-secondary institution. A woman is considered to be eligible for the Chapter DH, FL Memorial Scholarship provided she: is in her final year of her secondary education and is 20 years old or younger at the end of the calendar year 2023, has a minimum cumulative unweighted GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale, is a United States citizen whose current residence is in Okaloosa or Walton County, is planning to pursue a degree at an accredited post-secondary institution (which may be a community college or four-year college) full-time or part-time in the fall of 2023, and exhibits excellence in community service, leadership, meaningful extracurricular activities, and academics. Applications and additional information are available in the Guidance office. The application deadline is February 17, 2023.
- The Florida JCI Senate Foundation Scholarship awards \$1,000 grants to graduating high school seniors in the United States, who plan to continue their education at accredited post-secondary colleges, universities, or vocational schools. The monies will be used for educational expenses in the first year of full-time study. Applications and additional information are available in the Guidance office. The application deadline is January 13, 2023.

• The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) awards multiple scholarships to students showing dedication to the pursuit of higher education in diverse areas of study including history, economics, law, political science, medicine, nursing, occupational and physical therapy, elementary and secondary education, chemistry, math, science, and English. Applicants must be citizens of the United States, and attend or plan to attend an accredited college or university in the United States. Awards are based on academic excellence, commitment to the field of study, and/or financial need, or other restrictions on specific scholarships. For more information, go

to https://www.dar.org/national-society/scholarships. The scholarship application portal is open through January 31, 2023.